



Marine
Management
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Introduction to marine planning

North West Marine Plan – Preparation & Delivery

Cross Border Workshop Chester
21st August 2018



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Outline

- MMO – Who we are and what we do
- Why we are planning and the benefits
- Where plans are being developed and progress to date
- How we will be developing marine plans
- Why we are here



The MMO

Who we are and what we do?

- Est. 2009 through MaCAA
- NDPB reporting primarily under Defra
- Main responsibilities:
 - Statutory marine planning authority developing marine plans and issuing marine licences
 - managing fishing fleet capacity and quotas for fisheries
 - Marine conservation byelaws and enforcement for protected areas, species and habitats
 - responding to marine emergencies

Legislation and Guidance



Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009

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Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009

Legislative basis for a marine planning system

HM Government

UK Marine Policy

Statement

Marine Plans

translate the MPS framework into detailed policy and spatial guidance for each Marine Plan area

Marine Planning
A guide for local councils

MP in practise

MCAA S.58(1) Must take any authorisation or enforcement decision in accordance with plan

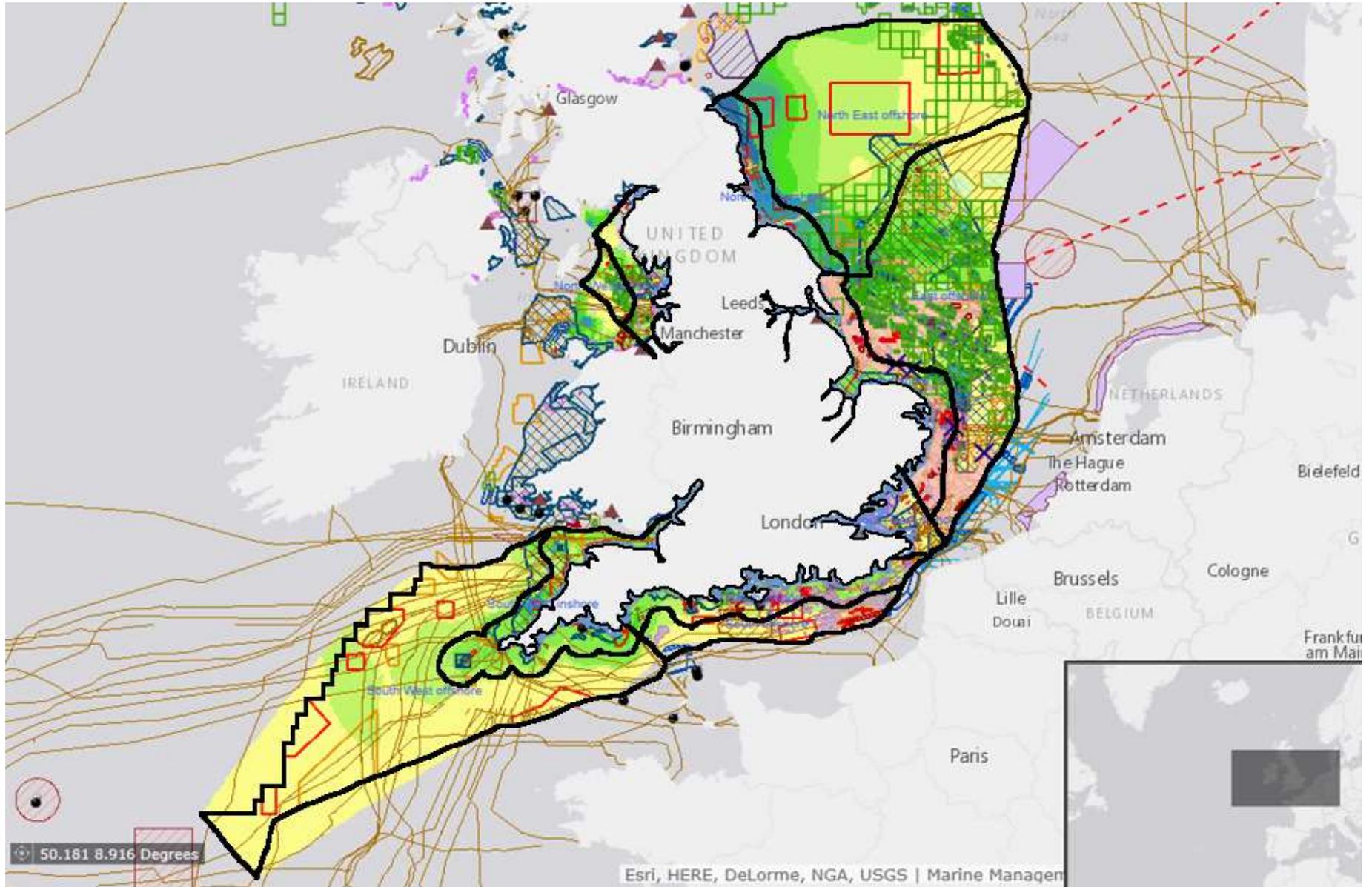
MCAA S.58(3) Must have regard to the plan in other decisions capable of affecting the UK marine area

Marine Plan Areas



- 11 plan areas
- Covered in 6 marine plans
- 20 year horizon
- Inshore (MHWS tidal limit to 12nm)
- Offshore (12nm – 200nm or territorial limit)
- 3-yearly reporting once adopted

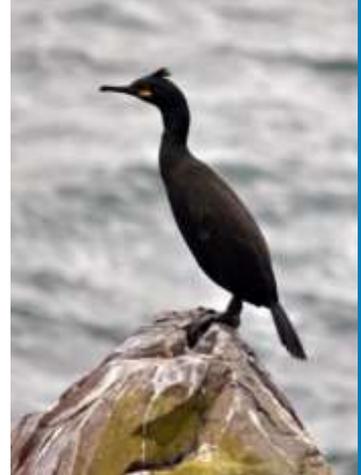
Why? - Busy marine plan areas



Key benefits of marine planning

makes sure the **right activities** take place in the **right place** and in the **right way** placing sustainable development at the centre of all decisions.

- managing the **increasing demands** on space and resources.
- greater **clarity and guidance** on what activity should or should not take place
- enables **sustainable** economic growth whilst protecting the environment
- stronger understanding of the local marine **resources and activities** and their potential
- providing **local direction** on how a marine area can be developed,
- better **access to data**

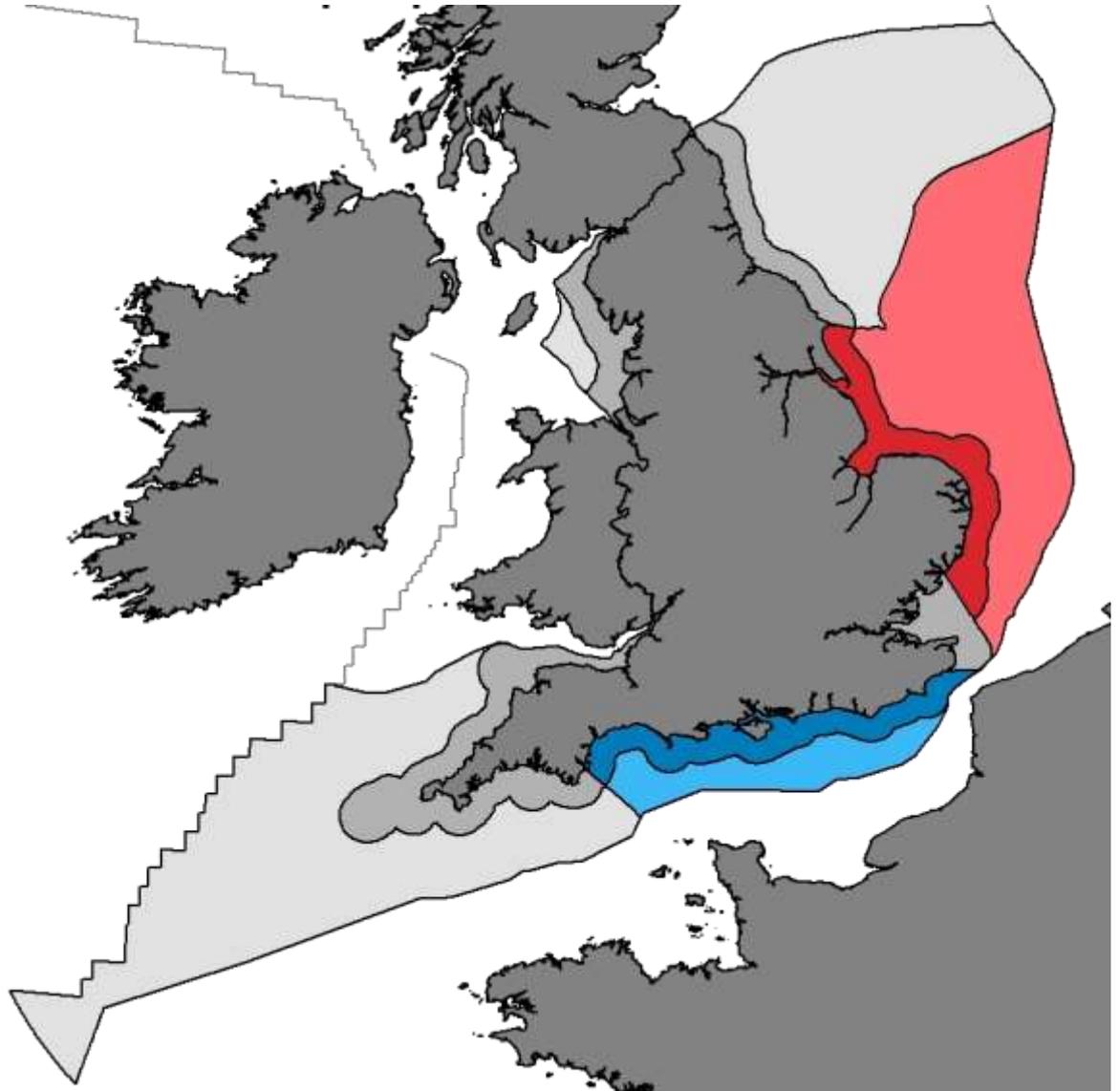


Marine Plan Components



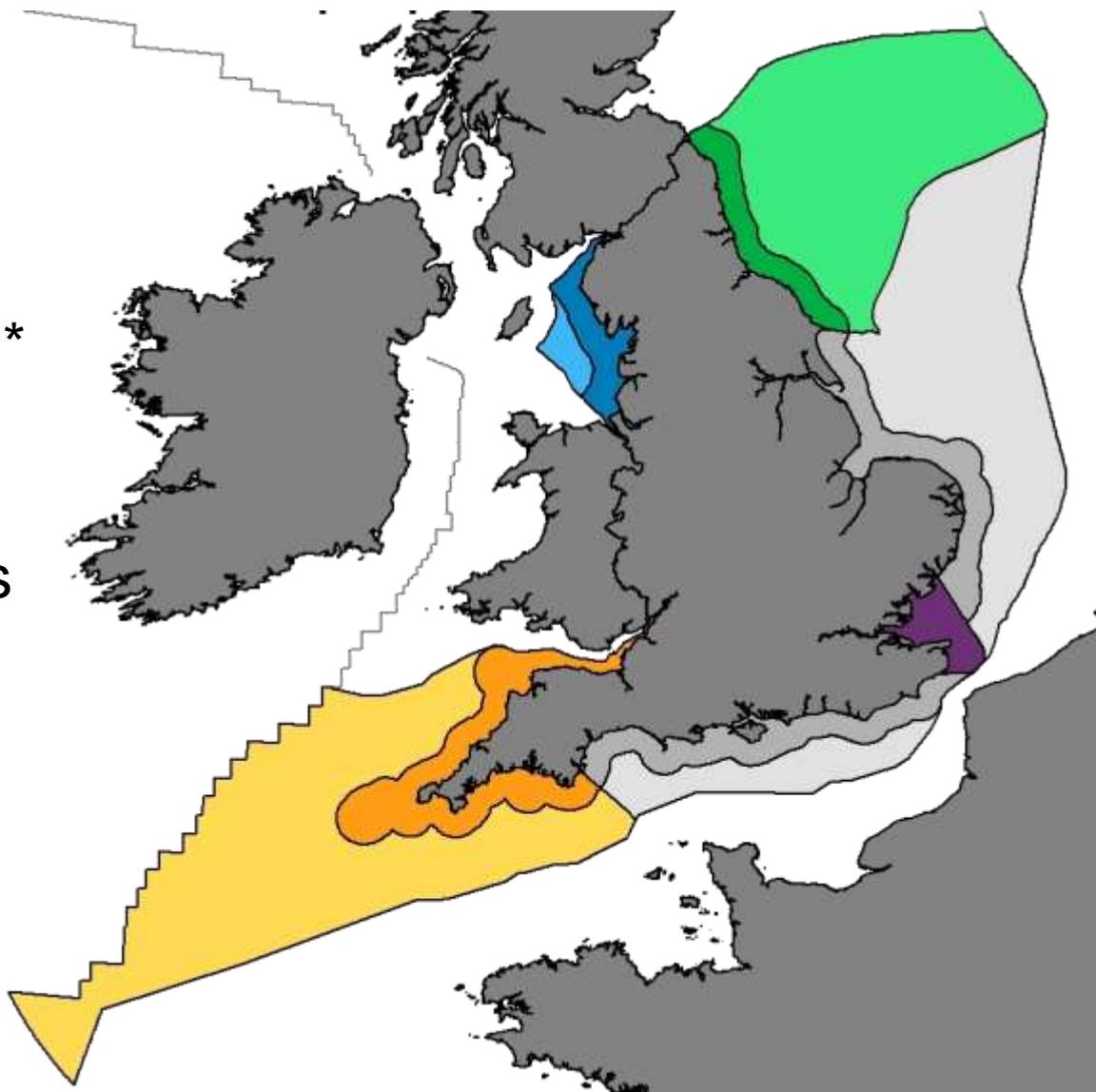
Progress to date

- East inshore and offshore adopted April 2014
- South inshore and offshore July 2018



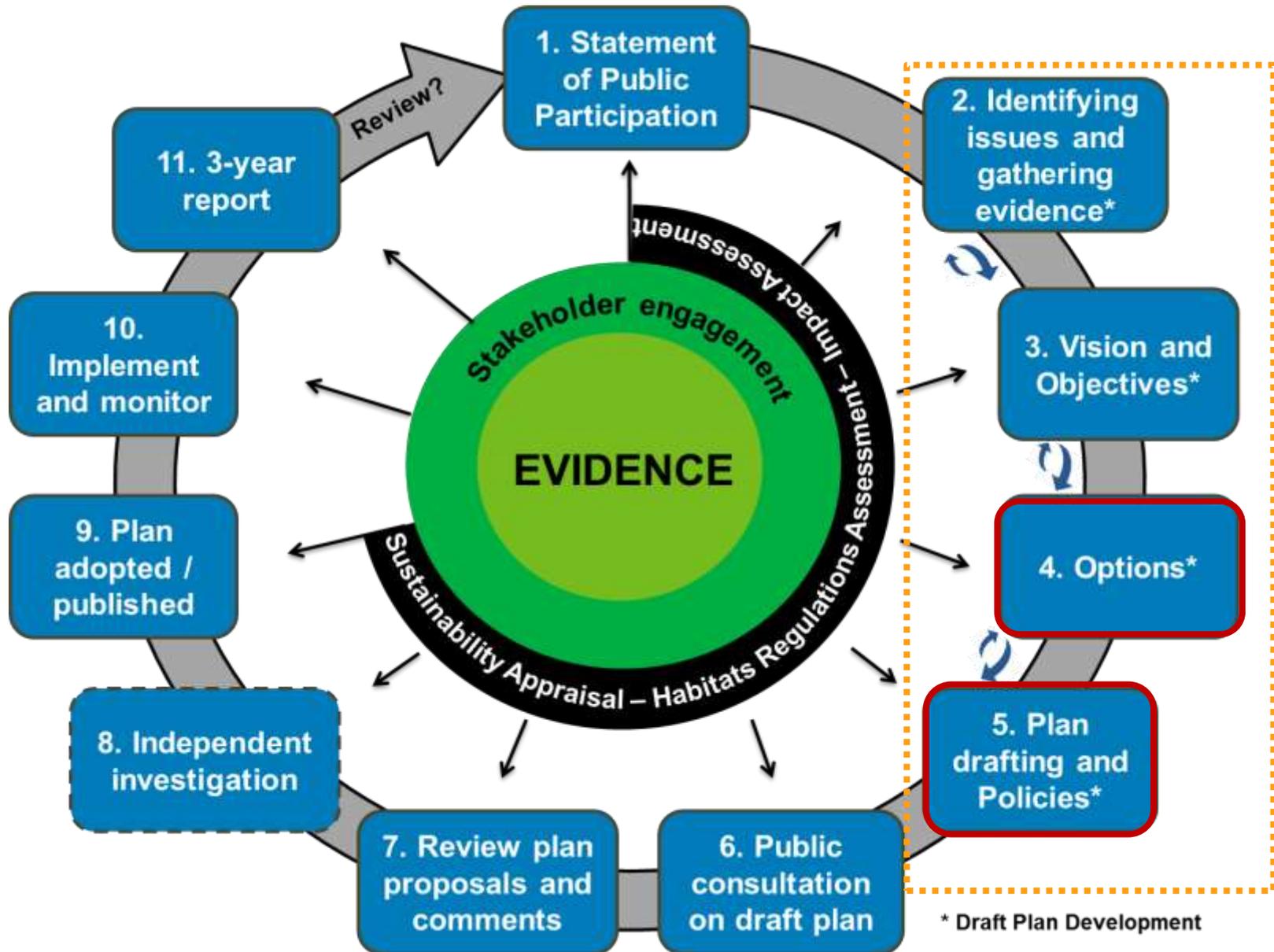
Remaining plan areas

- NE, SE, SW, NW developed concurrently
- Publish all by 2021*
- Use experience from East and South plan process



* Adoption by 2021. Aim for June 2020 for contingency, or any Independent Investigation if required

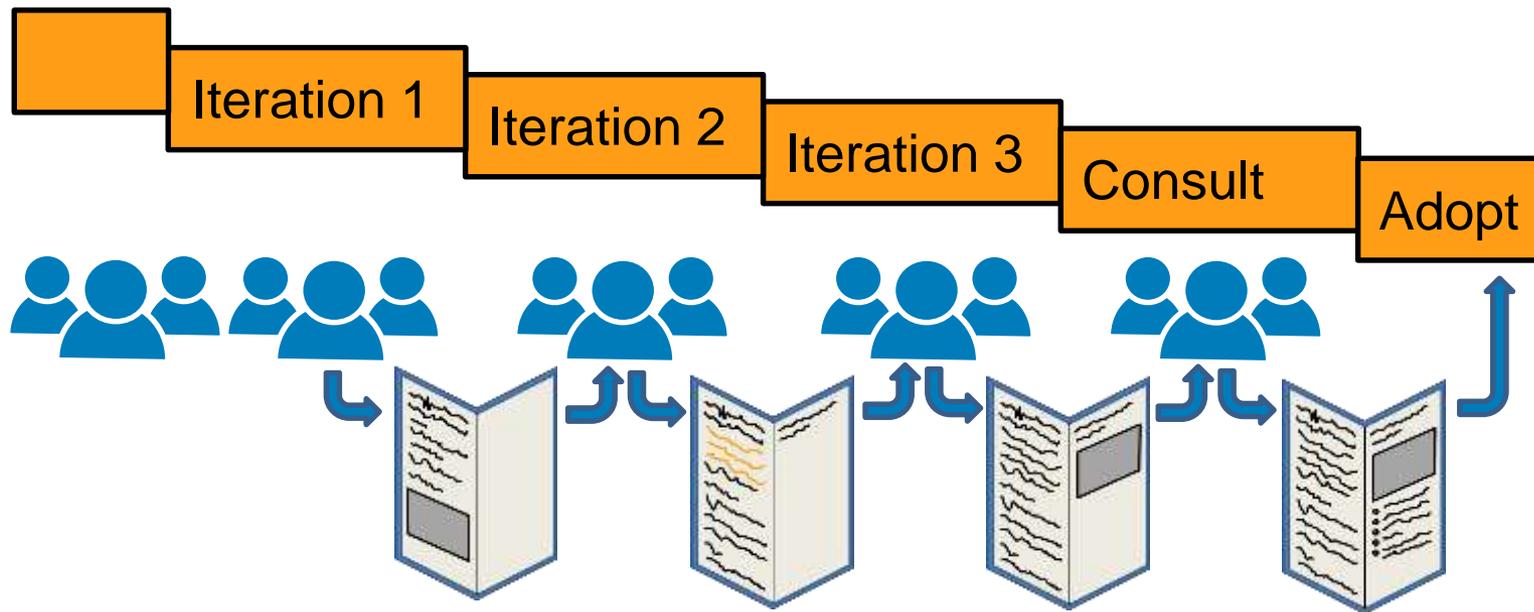
Marine planning cycle



* Draft Plan Development

Iterative plan development

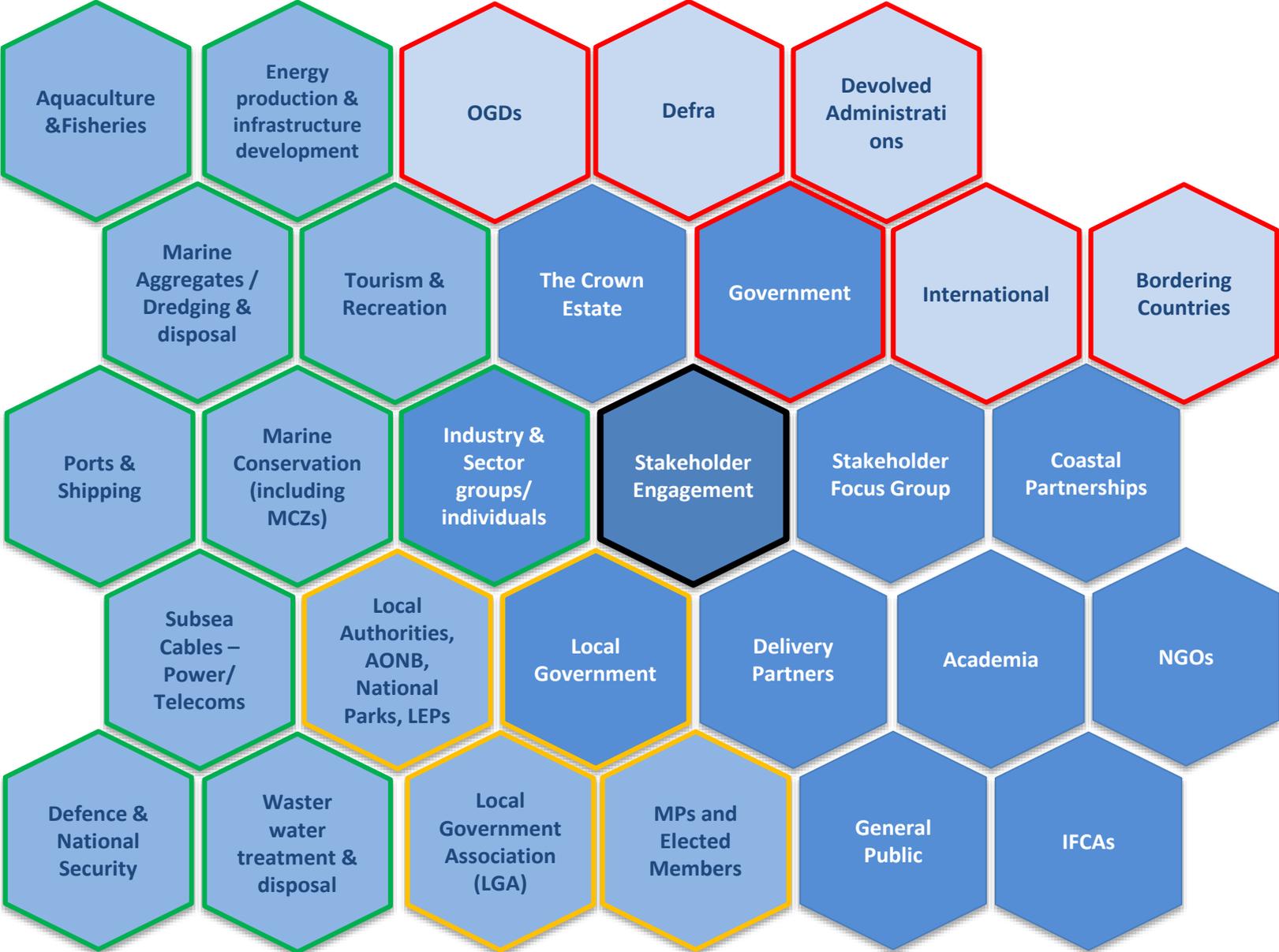
Identify, develop and test the plan material in repeated cycles with each iteration evolving and adding content



Benefits of iterative working

- Outputs delivered early to build on firm foundations
- Visibility and feedback opportunities at multiple stages
- Responsive to change

Stakeholder Engagement



Stakeholder engagement in the NW

- **Launch events**
- **Issues with Evidence Workshops**
- **Local MO (Planning)** - meet with local stakeholders, attend their meetings and events
- **Specific groups or fora**, e.g. Local Authority elected members, LGA SIG, IFCA, etc
- **Informal consultations**
- **Iterations 1 and 2**
- **Summer Engagement**



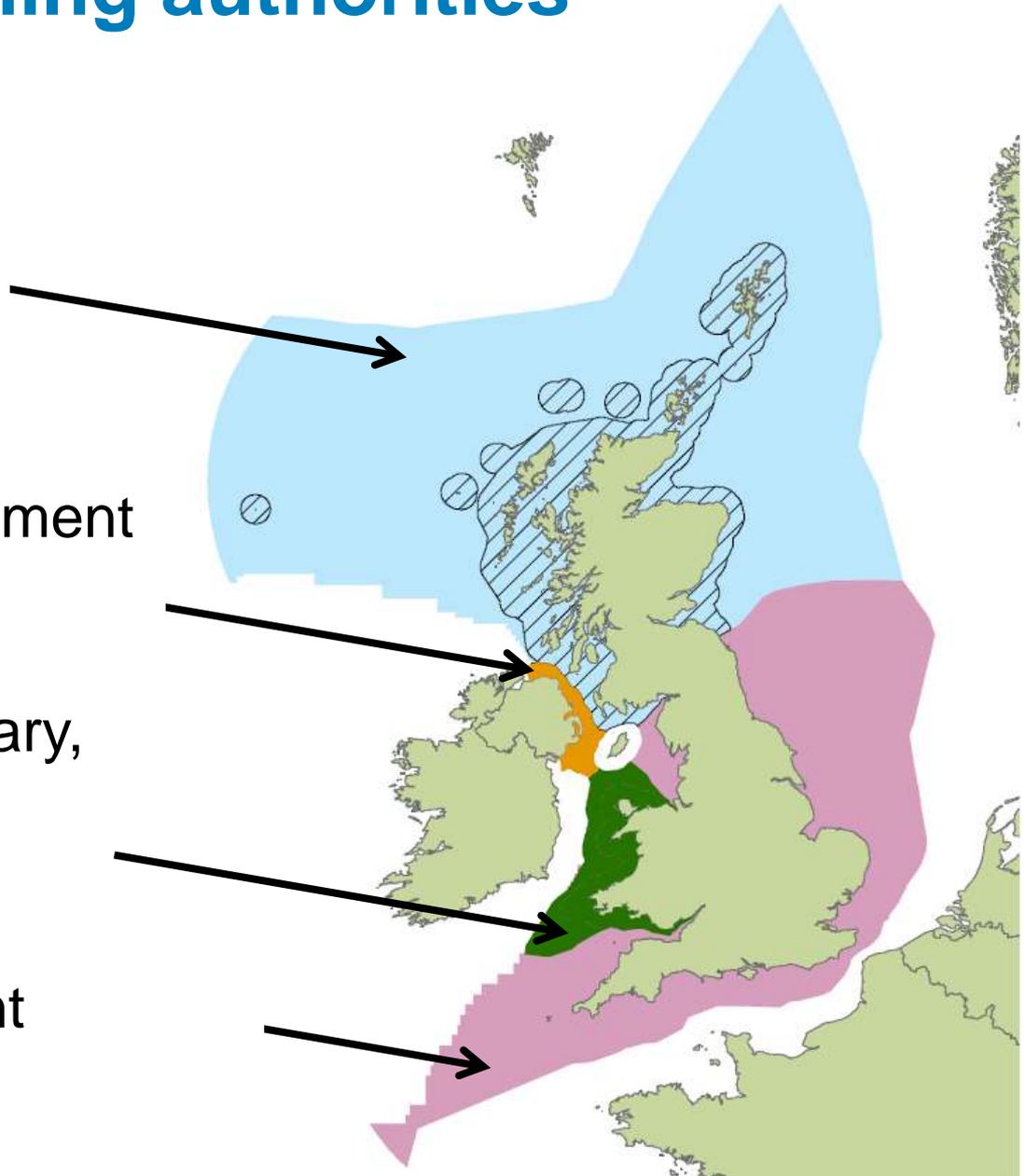
UK marine planning authorities

Marine Scotland

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Agriculture, Environment
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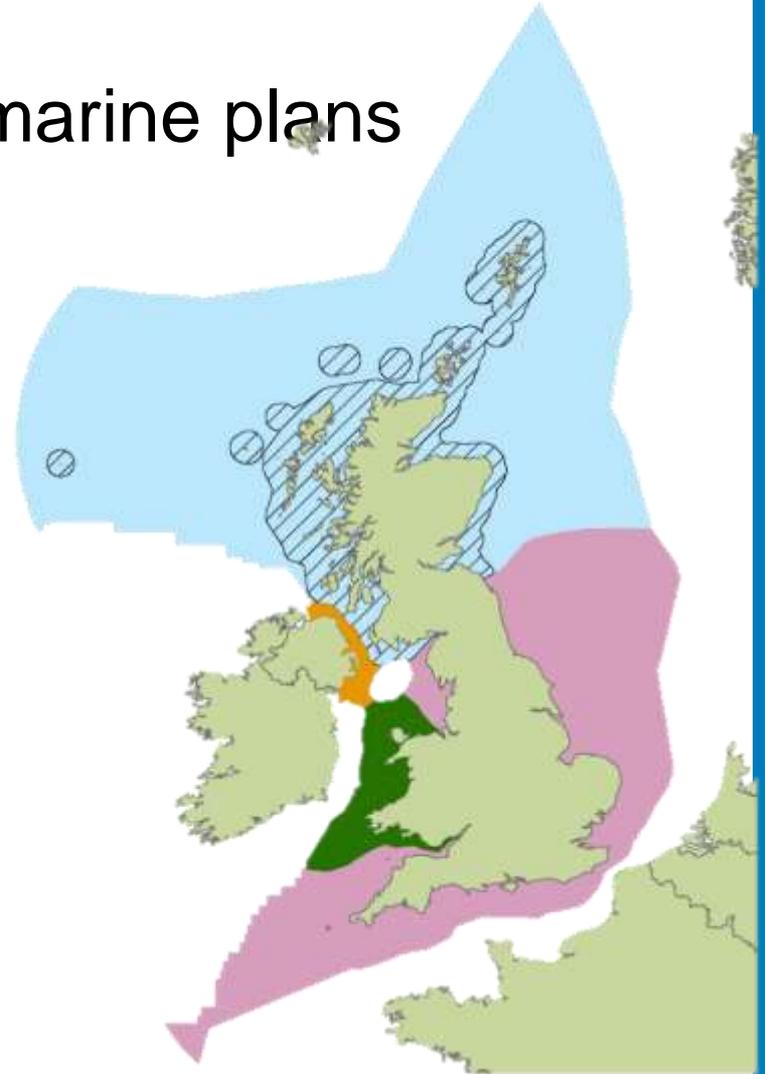
Agriculture, Veterinary,
Food and Marine
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Cross-border planning

- MPS details out commitment to cross border planning
- Consultation on respective marine plans
- Ways of working
- Joint working
- Coastal Partnerships



Why are we here today?

- Additional engagement – EMFF
- Enhancing stakeholder engagement:
 - Hard to reach stakeholders
 - Cross-border engagement
- Your views of cross border issues?
- Cross border mechanisms?



Next Steps

- Outputs from today will feed into our policy development work
- Mechanisms for cross border marine planning
- Follow-up workshop - 2019
- Iteration 3 - spring 2019
- Draft consultation – end of 2019
- 3 year review process

Questions?

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