

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
Do you support the development of an MPA network in Scotland's Seas?	Yes
What do you think about the location and size of the proposed South Arran MPA ?	I agree with the location and designation of the possible South Arran MPA. I would prefer if it was extended to all around the Isle of Arran. Seabirds should be included as "marine priority features", as they are a crucial part of the local natural environment.
What should the management measures be for the proposed South Arran MPA?	Considering the changes in England as a result of Article 6 in the HabsRegs, Arran MPA should be closed to damaging gears that can not demonstrate they have no negative impacts on the features to be protected in the MPA. Towed bottom gears and dredgers should be excluded from sensitive habitats, as they are not selective, destructive of habitats and therefore undermine ecosystem service provision.
What social and economic effects do you think the South Arran MPA will have?	Increased tourism, increased fisheries revenue, more jobs in fisheries, support for local communities, higher wellbeing, better health, sense of place and local pride.
Other Comments	Scottish Government has a legal obligation to improve the Clyde to good environmental status. SNH's advice on management of a few specific species and habitats fails to address adequate protection of a failing Clyde ecosystem. Proper ecosystem management is needed.
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