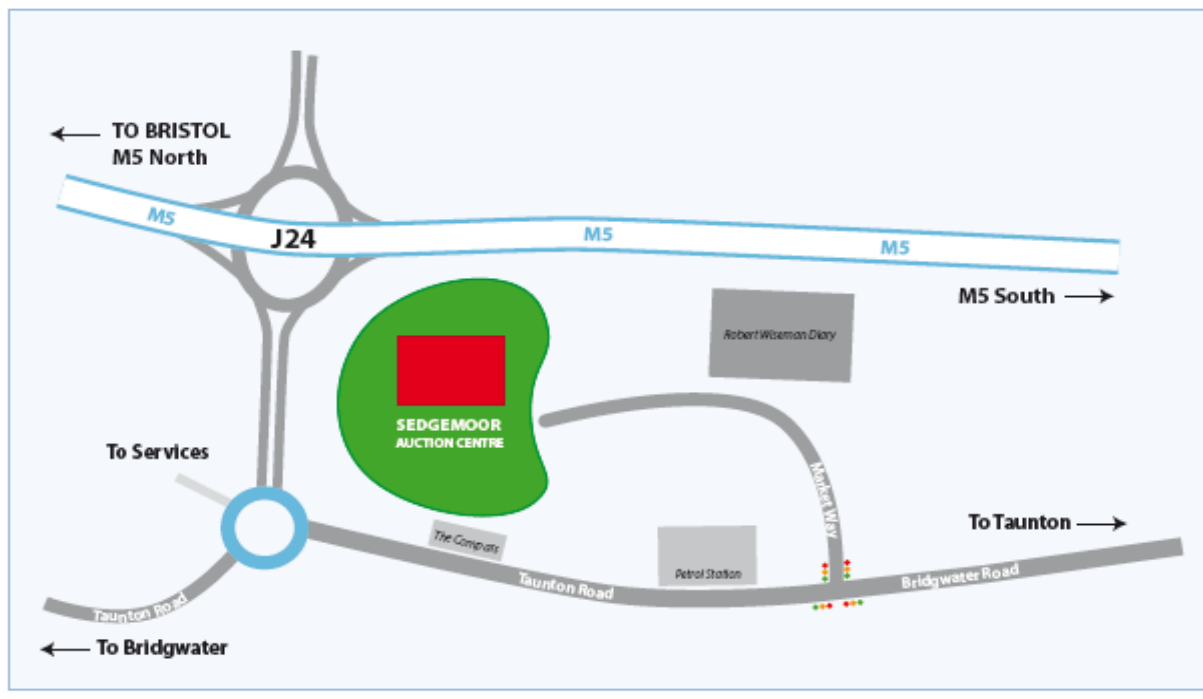


Somerset Marine Conservation Zone Group – Meeting 2 – Planning & Mapping

Date: Thursday 22nd April 2010

Start time: 9.00am **Finish time:** 12.30-1pm
(with an option to continue in the afternoon)

Venue: **Huntworth Room - Junction 24 Ltd**, Sedgemoor Auction Centre,
Market Way, North Petherton, Somerset, TA6 6DF
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Attached overleaf is the Agenda for the second meeting of the Somerset MCZ Group. The purpose of this meeting will be to introduce the Group Members to the mapping methods that have been developed; to identify the first ideas for possible MCZ sites within the Somerset region (i.e. from Foreland Point to Avonmouth) and to discuss possible management measures; to identify any areas in which activity should not be restricted.

Please could you confirm to Martin Syvret at Finding Sanctuary at your earliest convenience if you (or your nominated Substitute) are able to attend in order that the necessary arrangements can be made with the meeting venue and to ensure that the appropriate level of resources are available on the day. Your continued support in developing and delivering these MCZs through this stakeholder led approach to marine spatial planning is much appreciated!

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Time	Activity	Activity Style
09:00	Registration <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tea and Coffee with a chance to meet other Group Members 	
Session 1		
09:15	Introduction <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • House keeping • Project update – process, timings, roles and relationships • Outline for the day – aims, outputs and objectives • Ground rules for Small Group working 	Plenary
	Mapping process <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Description of the mapping process • How to complete the maps and questionnaires 	Plenary
Session 2		
09:45	Mapping Activity 1 – areas WANTED as MCZs <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on each table • Drawing on maps at tables • Filling in questionnaires – defining applicable management measures • Brief feedback to Group 	Small Groups
11.15 SHORT BREAK – Tea and Coffee		
Session 3		
11:30	Mapping Activity 2 – areas where activity SHOULD NOT be limited <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Discussion on each table • Drawing on maps at tables • Filling in questionnaires – defining applicable management measures • Brief feedback to Group 	Small Groups
Session 4		
12:30	Group discussion <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Observations from the day – lessons for the future • Further actions and questions • Requests for further information • Set next meeting dates and times 	Plenary
13.00 LUNCH - Sandwich lunch & refreshments will be available		
13:30 to 17:00	Afternoon Session – a chance for the Group to continue with any unfinished mapping activities or discussions. Please note that this session is optional.	

Detailed Process for the Meeting:

Preparation:

- Please consider any areas that you may wish to see **designated as an MCZ** giving thought to what features you are hoping to protect and what management measures may be needed to achieve this objective.
- Please consider any areas in which you consider that activity **should not be limited**.
- It may be useful to check these two issues with the sector you are representing prior to the meeting so that you are able to accurately represent their views on the day.
- Please remember that this is a **collaborative process** and represents the first stage in defining the areas that should be considered as MCZs. The lines that the Groups draw at this meeting will enable further analysis and discussion to take place. You will therefore need to maintain an open mind at this early stage in order for a constructive dialogue to take place. The areas you define today will be likely to change as the process evolves but represent a **vital first stage** of the planning process for MCZs in the Somerset region.
- Lastly – don't panic - all will become clear on the day!

Members of the Finding Sanctuary Team will be available throughout the meeting to assist with the mapping activities.

Mapping Activity 1:

- People will be **allocated into Groups** on the day in order to achieve a balanced representation of the different sectors and interests present at the meeting.
- There will be a **presentation** given on how the mapping process is going to operate.
- Group discussion should then take place on what areas are considered to be suitable for designation as MCZs, why they are deemed suitable and what management measures would be needed to protect the features being designated within the suggested MCZs.
- Following this discussion the Group will then draw and number 'polygons' on to the acetates covering the base maps to show the areas of importance you would **like to see in MCZs**.
- The Group will work together to **complete the labels on the acetates and the forms provided**. These forms ask you to give the reasons for your choices and help to describe the level of consensus in the Group on each MCZ suggestion. Whilst it is preferable that the whole Group agrees on suggested MCZ sites the forms allow feedback on disagreements or areas of concern.
- The Group should then **nominate a spokesperson** who will briefly feedback to the other Groups once the activity is complete.

Mapping Activity 2:

- The process for Mapping Activity 1 will now be repeated but in this activity the Group should look to decide upon areas where activity **should not be limited**.
- Once again, discuss, draw polygons, label and complete forms for EACH polygon.
- Brief feedback to the Group.