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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 Purpose of this Document

This document outlines the protocols for surveys and presents the ornithology data collected for the Greater Dublin Drainage (GDD) Project on estuarine, coastal and marine ornithology. It should be read in conjunction with the relevant Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) chapter (Chapter 10: Marine Ornithology).

The following surveys are covered by this document:

- Coastal and Marine VP (Velvet Strand; VP1);
- Coastal and Marine VP (Ireland's Eye; VP2); and
- Estuarine bird surveys (Baldoyle Bay).

Data collected between December 2014 and March 2018 is included.

2.1 Survey Methodology

2.1.1 Introduction

Estuarine walkover surveys were carried out based on the standard Wetland Bird Survey methods (Gilbert *et al.*, 1998; BTO 2016a and 2016b), using a more refined methodology involving the recording of precise locations of birds as well as their behaviour. Surveys aimed to count, map and record behaviour of wildfowl and waders using the estuarine habitat, in addition to other species of bird present.

2.1.2 Survey Location

The survey area is shown in Figure 10.1 of the EIAR chapter. The survey area covered the route of the pipeline to the outfall where it crosses intertidal/ estuarine habitat, and extended up to 1km from this route across the Baldoyle Bay SPA and surrounding habitats. The size of the survey area was approximately 4.95km².

2.1.3 <u>Target Species</u>

The key species groups were wildfowl, waders and seabirds. However, during the surveys all birds were recorded. Priority was given to recording birds on the ground or on water within the survey area. Records of notable flying birds were made, for example raptors or flocks of waterfowl and waders.

2.1.4 Survey Timing and Effort

In each month, two estuarine survey counts were completed. Each survey was of six hours duration. If the survey area was covered before the allotted time has elapsed (which was possible at high tide), the remaining time was used to undertake repeat counts of any wader or wildfowl hotspots.

Timings of counts throughout the survey period were made so that the whole tidal cycle was equally covered. Counts were made during full daylight.

2.1.5 Field Recording

Species were recorded using standard BTO codes and the behaviour codes specified on the survey map. Information on the age and sex of target species was also desirable. Notable observations that occurred outside the study area but within sight of the surveyors inside the study area were recorded.

2.2 Results

2.2.1 Survey Effort

Survey effort during the estuarine walkover surveys is presented in Appendix 1 (Table A10.1).

2.2.2 Peak Counts

Peak counts from estuarine walkover surveys are presented in Appendix 2 (Tables A10.2 to A10.4).

2.2.3 Figures

The distribution of 53 species encountered during the estuarine walkover surveys is presented in Figures TA10.1 to TA10.53. A figure was produced for species that were named on citations of the Baldoyle Bay, Ireland's Eye or Howth Head Coast SPA, or if more than ten records of the species were made during the surveys.

3. COASTAL AND MARINE VANTAGE POINT (VP) SURVEYS

3.1 Survey Methodology

3.1.1 Introduction

VP surveys were carried out based on those undertaken for the MeyGen Tidal Energy Project in the Pentland Firth (RPS, 2013). They were carried out from December 2014, with six hours of survey carried out monthly per VP to March 2018.

Survey protocol was designed to count birds on the water (primary focus) and in flight (through snapshot recording).

3.1.2 Survey Locations

One location on the mainland and one location on Ireland's Eye were used. The mainland coastal VP was positioned as in previous surveys at the proposed landfall location at Portmarnock (IO250423, Lat. 53.41631, Long. -6.11966, mean viewing angle 70°). The Ireland's Eye VP was positioned at IO287415 (Lat. 53.40792, Long. -6.06387, mean viewing angle 0°).

The mainland coastal VP covered the area of the marine outfall out to sea using a 2km viewing arc; and the Ireland's Eye VP covered the remaining pipeline route using a 2km viewing arc. In this way, a buffer around the marine outfall pipeline footprint and working area was achieved.

3.1.3 <u>Target Species</u>

Key species/ species groups are as listed below. These are primarily seabirds which utilise the marine environment for breeding, foraging or roosting. All species listed were covered, but species marked in bold were considered priority.

- Seaducks
- Divers
- Grebes
- Fulmar and other tubenoses (petrels, shearwaters)
- Gannet
- Cormorant
- Shag
- Skuas
- Lesser black-backed gull
- Herring gull
- Other large gulls
- Kittiwake
- Other small gulls (e.g. black-headed gull, common gull)
- Roseate tern
- Common tern
- Arctic tern
- Auks

3.1.4 <u>Survey Timings</u>

From each VP, six hours of survey were undertaken each month, timed to give coverage over a range of tide states, whilst ensuring a spread between neap and spring tides. Surveys commenced and ended no earlier than half an hour before sunrise and or no later than half an hour after sunset. Each VP survey was three hours long, and a minimum of 30 minutes taken as a break between surveys.

3.1.5 Field Recording

The 2km 180° viewing arc was divided into 6 (30°) sections labelled A-F. Each section was subdivided into 500m distance bands (numbered sequentially 1 to 4 away from observer). Each section was identified using land features, rangefinders, and by measuring the compass bearing from the observer.

A full binocular/telescope (dependent on distance band) scan of the whole area was made every 10 minutes, the surveyor working sequentially through the grid and distance bands and recording all birds observed on the water. Only birds on the sea surface, or birds in flight but using the sea (e.g. plunge diving or surface feeding, or clearly observing the sea surface in preparation to do so, or even, if not feeding, regularly dropping to the sea surface) were recorded during this scan; flying birds were ignored. The location of each record was determined using bearings, angles of declination or with reference to static easily identifiable objects in the sea. Standardised protocols for dealing with recording of behaviours and associations were used.

At the end of each full scan, birds in flight were counted in each sector. To reduce/ eliminate double counting this should be as near an instantaneous count as possible.

Throughout a day's observations, environmental conditions were recorded at hourly intervals using standard recording forms.

The following behaviour codes were used to describe birds on the water:

- SU: Surface feeding;
- PL: Plunge feeding;
- DP: Dip feeding;
- FE: Feeding (other);
- SC: Scavenging;
- SF: Scavenging at fishing vessel;
- KL: Kleptoparasitising;
- CN: Carrying nest material;
- CF: Carrying food;
- PR: Preening or bathing;
- ED: Escape diving from vessel;
- EF: Escape flight from vessel;
- RO: Roosting on water;
- LO: Loafing.

3.2 Results

3.2.1 Survey Effort

Survey effort during the Coastal and Marine VP surveys is presented in Appendix 3.

3.2.2 VP Peak Counts

Peak counts from Coastal and Marine VP surveys are presented in Appendix 4. Presented are tables which show the species recorded during both the breeding (April to August) and

passage/winter (September to March) seasons, the total number of times they were recorded during surveys (split by in flight or on sea), and the peak count of birds that were recorded during a single scan (split by in flight or on sea, and combined). Species have been split into tables based on SPA citation (i.e. Ireland's Eye/Howth Head Coast SPA, Baldoyle Bay SPA, and non-cited species).

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Date	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Effort	Minimum Tide (m)	Mean Tide (m)	Maximum Tide (m)	Survey Tidal Range (m)	Survey Tidal State**	Area surveyed
16/12/2014	AMcC	11:00	14:10	03:10	1.99	2.11	2.32	0.33	L	Partial
22/12/2014	AMcC	09:40	12:00	02:20	4.44	4.80	4.95	0.51	Н	Partial
13/01/2015	AMcC	09:00	12:00	03:00	2.06	2.21	2.49	0.43	L	Partial
13/01/2015	AMcC	12:00	15:00	03:00	2.49	3.20	3.85	1.36	Т	Partial
20/01/2015	KM	09:00	11:55	02:55	4.13	4.64	4.85	0.72	Н	Full
20/01/2015	KM	11:55	14:50	02:55	2.03	3.44	4.58	2.55	Т	Full
20/02/2015	NV	08:30	14:30	06:00	2.85	4.40	5.14	2.29	Н	Full
27/02/2015	NV	08:30	14:30	06:00	1.59	2.10	3.27	1.68	Т	Full
11/03/2015	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	1.36	2.62	4.16	2.8	Т	Full
19/03/2015	NV	10:00	16:00	06:00	0.47	2.73	4.57	4.1	Т	Full
13/04/2015	NV	07:30	13:30	06:00	1.48	2.15	3.58	2.1	Т	Full
20/04/2015	NV	07:30	13:30	06:00	1.47	3.74	4.80	3.33	Т	Full
18/05/2015	NV	05:15	11:15	06:00	1.07	3.23	4.94	3.87	Т	Full
27/05/2015	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	1.59	2.23	3.52	1.93	Т	Full
05/06/2015	NV	06:30	12:30	06:00	1.00	2.66	4.47	3.47	Т	Full
30/06/2015	NV	09:15	15:15	06:00	1.42	3.18	4.29	2.87	Т	Full
06/07/2015	NV	07:00	13:00	06:00	0.91	2.15	4.10	3.19	Т	Full
15/07/2015	NV	09:00	15:00	06:00	1.74	3.51	4.27	2.53	Т	Full
03/08/2015	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	1.26	3.51	4.84	3.58	Т	Full
25/08/2015	NV	09:15	15:15	06:00	1.98	2.41	3.40	1.42	Т	Full
02/09/2015	NV	07:30	13:30	06:00	0.62	2.76	4.61	3.99	Т	Full
22/09/2015	NV	07:30	13:30	06:00	1.84	2.26	3.22	1.38	Т	Full
02/10/2015	NV	09:30	15:30	06:00	1.71	3.62	4.51	2.8	Т	Full
21/10/2015	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	2.01	2.39	3.06	1.05	Т	Full
08/11/2015	NV	08:00	13:48	05:48	2.20	3.66	4.39	2.19	Т	Full
19/11/2015	NV	08:45	14:45	06:00	1.73	2.39	3.65	1.92	Т	Full
08/12/2015	NV	09:30	15:30	06:00	1.87	3.17	4.51	2.64	Т	Full
14/12/2015	NV	09:30	15:30	06:00	3.05	4.32	4.95	1.9	Н	Full
07/01/2016	NV	09:30	15:30	06:00	1.85	3.28	4.61	2.76	Т	Full
21/01/2016	NV	09:00	15:00	06:00	1.58	3.21	4.54	2.96	Т	Full
15/02/2016	NV	10:00	16:00	06:00	1.11	2.52	4.14	3.03	Т	Full
22/02/2016	NV	11:00	17:00	06:00	1.37	3.39	4.60	3.23	Т	Full
10/03/2016	NV	10:00	16:00	06:00	1.40	3.77	4.70	3.3	Т	Full
16/03/2016	NV	12:00	18:00	06:00	1.47	2.84	3.89	2.42	Т	Full
01/04/2016	NV	09:00	15:00	06:00	1.95	2.32	3.09	1.14	Т	Full
18/04/2016	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	1.70	3.40	4.23	2.53	Т	Full
06/05/2016	NV	09:00	15:00	06:00	1.31	3.75	4.82	3.51	Т	Full
22/05/2016	NV	06:00	12:00	06:00	1.43	3.18	4.49	3.06	Т	Full

APPENDIX 1 – ESTUARINE BIRD SURVEY EFFORT

Date	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Effort	Minimum Tide (m)	Mean Tide (m)	Maximum Tide (m)	Survey Tidal Range (m)	Survey Tidal State**	Area surveyed
16/03/2017	NV	07:00	13:00	06:00	1.07	2.62	4.44	3.37	Т	Full
28/03/2017	NV	09:20	15:20	06:00	1.91	4.04	4.88	2.97	Т	Full
12/04/2017	NV	11:30	17:30	06:00	1.05	3.17	4.60	3.55	Т	Full
26/04/2017	NV	05:38	11:38	06:00	1.12	3.37	4.68	3.56	Т	Full
17/05/2017	NV	05:20	16:20	11:00	1.60	2.76	4.03	2.43	Т	Full
18/05/2017	NV	11:00	17:00	06:00	1.85	3.04	3.92	2.07	Т	Full
12/06/2017	NV	05:10	11:10	06:00	1.37	2.15	3.68	2.31	Т	Full
28/06/2017	NV	12:30	18:30	06:00	2.17	3.87	4.57	2.4	Т	Full
13/07/2017	NV	12:00	18:00	06:00	2.05	3.61	4.27	2.22	Т	Full
19/07/2017	NV	08:00	14:00	06:00	1.46	2.51	4.21	2.75	Т	Full
01/08/2017	NV	05:50	11:50	06:00	1.84	3.06	4.03	2.19	Т	Full
21/08/2017	NV	06:00	12:00	06:00	1.51	3.55	4.62	3.11	Т	Full
05/09/2017	NV	09:10	15:10	06:00	1.88	3.69	4.52	2.64	Т	Full
12/09/2017	NV	10:30	16:30	06:00	1.76	3.45	4.40	2.64	Т	Full
12/10/2017	NV	10:40	16:40	06:00	1.80	3.25	4.36	2.56	Т	Full
26/10/2017	NV	13:00	18:00	05:00	3.21	3.85	4.15	0.94	Н	Full
06/11/2017	NV	09:00	15:00	06:00	2.80	4.16	4.85	2.05	Н	Full
20/11/2017	NV	08:30	14:30	06:00	2.82	4.20	4.81	1.99	Н	Full
01/12/2017	NV	08:20	14:20	06:00	1.24	3.07	4.16	2.92	Т	Full
11/12/2017	NV	08:15	14:15	06:00	1.82	2.25	3.19	1.37	Т	Full
11/01/2018	NV	08:45	14:45	06:00	1.84	2.41	3.61	1.77	Т	Full
22/01/2018	NV	08:50	14:50	06:00	1.54	3.22	4.47	2.93	Т	Full
01/02/2018	NV	08:20	14:20	06:00	2.82	4.08	4.73	1.91	Н	Full
27/02/2018	NV	07:00	13:00	06:00	2.19	3.72	4.36	2.17	Т	Full
16/03/2018	NV	07:00	13:00	06:00	2.63	4.04	4.67	2.04	Т	Full
28/03/2018	NV	09:20	15:20	06:00	1.01	2.50	4.30	3.29	Т	Full

* Surveyors: AMcC = Adam McClure, KM = Kevin Mawhinney, NV= Nick Veale. ** Tidal state for each survey is designated as follows. Surveys designated as 'high tide' (H) when survey mean tide >= mid height of the tide AND survey min tide >= highest low tide. Surveys designated as 'low tide'(L) when survey mean tide < the mid height of the tide AND survey max tide < lowest high tide. All other surveys are designate 'through the tide' 'T'

Table A10.1: Estuarine walkover survey effort December 2014 to March 2018

Species	Year	J	F	М	A	Μ	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	6			
	2015	20	0	33	0	0	1	16	35	30	117	<u>273</u>	257			
Bar-tailed godwit	2016	57	99	78	13	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	353	134	275
9-1	2017	-	-	36	37	0	11	14	34	88	95	<u>276</u>	202			
	2018	81	201	36	=	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	475			
	2015	543	296	364	403	0	0	0	0	8	174	706	803			
Brent goose (LB)	2016	462	<u>991</u>	429	323	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	726	874	816
(22)	2017	-	=	328	270	0	0	0	0	0	231	524	<u>641</u>			
	2018	569	481	328	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14			
	2015	<u>2822</u>	120	447	87	0	0	0	65	0	870	680	750			
Golden plover	2016	0	1850	950	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1810	914	3061
plovel	2017	-	:	850	0	0	0	0	550	0	630	1700	1850			
	2018	950	<u>3300</u>	850	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	7			
Grey plover	2015	17	3	<u>669</u>	0	0	0	0	0	17	31	123	- 7	200	122	487
	2016	7	77	<u>304</u>	6	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			

Species	Year	J	F	Μ	A	М	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2017	-	-	136	0	0	0	0	0	13	31	113	79			
	2018	24	72	136	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0			
	2015	0	0	0	12	46	25	47	101	<u>234</u>	48	110	138			
Ringed plover	2016	10	159	0	31	73	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	221	96	204
pievei	2017	-	=	7	75	51	42	31	105	33	31	<u>173</u>	95			
	2018	25	148	7	=	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	41			
	2015	<u>175</u>	140	127	158	59	26	79	35	25	54	69	<u>101</u>	-		
Shelduck	2016	86	65	74	72	47	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	147	290	138
	2017	-	-	77	85	37	29	55	40	49	45	61	97	1		
	2018	70	71	87-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		

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Five year mean peak counts for the period 1995/96 – 1999/00 (I-WeBS) except for light-bellied brent goose (Robinson et al., 2004). *Five year mean peak for the period 2005/06 – 2009/10 (I-WeBS). ***Two year mean peak based on collected data (underlined and emboldened by species).

Table A10.2: Estuarine walkover peak monthly population estimates for bird species listed as Special Conservation Interests (SCIs) on Baldoyle Bay SPA citation

Species	Year	J	F	Μ	Α	М	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	33			
	2015	74	91	<u>145</u>	8	30	7	33	6	62	52	78	115			
Black-tailed godwit	2016	61	77	61	29	16	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	72	204	166
5	2017	-	-	116	12	34	6	30	10	47	58	121	92			
	2018	42	100	<u>187</u>	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16			
	2015	12	28	58	34	36	31	60	58	<u>238</u>	93	125	49			
Curlew	2016	26	<u>90</u>	40	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	61	204	164
	2017	-	-	35	12	30	17	31	36	78	37	71	45			
	2017 - 35 12 30 17 31 36 78 37 71 45 2018 21 42 31 - - - - - - - 2014 - - - - - - - 81															
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	81			
	2015	109	393	279	24	166	0	32	98	623	409	472	<u>618</u>			
Dunlin	2016	140	359	244	74	36	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	879	185	525
	2017	-	-	197	72	99	0	46	148	120	234	335	<u>431</u>			
	2018	72	253	199	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0			
	2015	0	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	0	12	<u>55</u>	17			
Great crested grebe	2016	10	37	9	11	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	42	29	44
ũ	2017	-	-	30	18	0	0	0	0	12	14	17	10]		
	2018	11	<u>32</u>	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-]		
Greenshank	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	11	20	20
GIECHSHIdHK	2015	1	1	<u>14</u>	4	0	1	1	7	5	5	5	9		20	20

Species	Year	J	F	М	Α	М	J	J	A	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2016	3	6	9	2	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2017	-	-	8	3	0	0	2	3	<u>25</u>	6	7	8			
	2018	3	6	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1			
	2015	2	1	4	5	5	6	6	11	11	11	16	<u>17</u>			
Grey heron	2016	10	14	5	8	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	16	16	15
	2017	-	-	5	7	8	6	6	8	10	10	<u>12</u>	7			
	2018	8	9	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0			
	2015	0	<u>102</u>	47	0	0	0	0	0	0	4	0	8	-		
Knot	2016	6	<u>150</u>	56	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	115	111	126
	2017	-	-	32	0	0	0	5	0	0	12	12	8	-		
	2018	0	79	32	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	387			
	2015	295	236	12	6	7	9	8	9	15	305	446	336	-		
Lapwing	2016	<u>607</u>	512	71	26	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	450	365	534
	2017	=	-	113	37	6	10	4	23	121	143	231	368	-		
	2018	424	<u>461</u>	256	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	114			
	2015	<u>154</u>	146	116	56	56	45	110	96	<u>215</u>	111	103	164	-		
Mallard	2016	99	78	75	85	68	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	46	212	185
	2017	-	-	108	73	90	68	104	97	100	105	75	110			

Species	Year	J	F	М	Α	М	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2018	123	108	108	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	49			
	2015	120	218	<u>758</u>	692	242	369	144	168	<u>719</u>	273	361	317			
Oystercatcher	2016	197	216	320	257	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	531	837	739
	2017	-	-	181	171	162	95	118	174	217	168	221	305			
	2018	108	163	173	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0			
	2015	<u>2</u>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		
Pintail	2016	0	0	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	22	26	1
	2017	-	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	-		
	2018	0	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0			
	2015	1	1	7	5	0	0	0	10	16	28	<u>30</u>	15	-		
Red-breasted merganser	2016	18	18	12	9	8	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	14	17	26
merganser	2017	-	-	12	<u>22</u>	2	0	0	2	5	8	18	8	-		
	2018	12	8	12	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	23			
	2015	40	111	126	110	2	17	22	113	167	257	303	<u>334</u>	-		
Redshank	2016	111	146	137	61	7	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	224	314	294
	2017	-	-	105	54	8	9	67	57	207	87	142	<u>254</u>	-		
	2018	82	100	105	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-		
Sanderling	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	0	26	21	50

Species	Year	J	F	М	A	М	J	J	A	S	0	N	D	Original SPA Citation*	Five Year Peak Mean**	Two Year Peak Mean***
	2015	0	14	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	11	18	0			
	2016	0	16	<u>45</u>	8	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2017	-	-	30	33	0	0	0	0	0	0	<u>55</u>	34			
	2018	0	0	30	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	161			
	2015	194	146	192	52	5	11	45	36	198	110	111	248			
Teal	2016	172	<u>367</u>	144	46	43	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	124	238	328
	2017	-	=	96	47	8	6	46	46	46	87	133	156			
	2018	111	<u>288</u>	96	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			
	2014	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1			
	2015	1	2	12	15	0	5	0	11	51	28	40	<u>74</u>			
Turnstone	2016	19	38	62	32	0	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	43	77	74
	2017	-	-	<u>74</u>	30	0	12	8	9	22	30	29	71			
	2018	17	28	74	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-			

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Five year mean peak counts for the period 1995/96 – 1999/00 (I-WeBS) with the exception of light-bellied brent goose (Robinson et al., 2004). **Five year mean peak for the period 2005/06 – 2009/10 (I-WeBS). *Two year mean peak based on collected data (underlined and emboldened by species).

Table A10.3: Estuarine walkover peak monthly population estimates for other bird species (non-SCI) listed on Baldoyle Bay SPA citation

Species	Category	J	F	м	Α	м	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D
Black guillemot**		2	2	2	4	2	2	2	2	2	4	2	2
Guillemot*.****	Auks	2	4	0	1	0	2	2	6	1	9	3	20
Razorbill*,****		2	2	0	1	6	1	5	2	2	4	2	2
Great northern diver	Divers	3	3	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	6	2
Red-throated diver	— Divers	3	3	16	7	1	0	0	0	3	16	9	14
Canada goose		73	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	35	0	0
Mute swan	Geese and Swans	6	7	13	5	5	13	13	15	10	9	10	12
Pink-footed goose		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Black-necked grebe		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	14	0
Common scoter		85	70	196	75	73	0	0	43	22	51	233	85
Coot		2	2	0	4	3	1	2	0	1	1	1	0
Eider		0	0	0	3	0	0	0	0	0	3	0	0
Goldeneye		8	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little grebe	Grebes, Ducks and Rails	1	1	4	2	1	5	4	4	1	2	2	1
Long-tailed duck		4	3	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Moorhen		8	8	10	12	7	6	4	4	8	9	6	6
Shoveler		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	2	2
Tufted duck		1	1	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	0	1	0
Wigeon		138	166	67	25	0	4	0	16	16	124	228	257
Black-headed gull		112	203	93	110	68	66	80	155	404	332	306	224
Common gull		58	84	26	53	34	10	10	9	28	34	53	54
Great black-backed gull**	- Gulls	6	27	24	26	27	32	28	14	69	27	10	18
Herring gull*		84	181	111	131	154	292	167	114	331	216	190	95

Species	Category	J	F	м	Α	м	J	J	Α	S	0	N	D
Kittiwake*,***		2	1	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	0
Lesser black-backed gull		12	3	24	29	26	46	42	25	17	13	23	2
Mediterranean gull		0	2	0	0	0	0	4	3	4	1	2	0
Ring-billed gull		1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0
Blue tit		0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Fulmar		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Hooded crow		0	0	0	0	4	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Kingfisher		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1
Mistle thrush		0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Little egret	Other	8	7	11	11	12	9	9	9	20	13	13	10
Pheasant	Other	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Red-legged partridge	_	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Snow bunting	_	0	0	0	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Song thrush	_	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stonechat		11	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Wheatear	_	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Buzzard		1	2	2	3	3	1	1	1	0	1	1	1
Kestrel		1	1	1	1	1	0	1	2	1	0	0	0
Peregrine**.****	- Raptors	1	2	0	2	1	0	0	1	1	1	0	1
Sparrowhawk	_	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	1	1
Cormorant*	Shags and	17	20	10	28	14	27	24	20	16	42	39	34
Shag**	Cormorants	3	8	6	7	6	5	7	7	10	11	10	2
Arctic tern	Terns	0	0	0	2	3	5	3	0	0	0	0	0

Species	Category	J	F	м	Α	м	J	J	Α	S	0	Ν	
Black tern		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	2	0	0	0	
Common tern		0	0	0	14	9	12	29	34	0	0	0	
Roseate tern	-	0	0	0	0	1	2	4	11	7	0	0	
Sandwich tern	-	0	0	4	9	15	5	15	10	42	0	0	
Avocet		0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Common sandpiper	-	2	1	0	3	1	0	3	2	3	2	1	
Snipe	-	7	35	5	6	1	0	0	2	4	5	3	
Curlew sandpiper	-	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	3	6	
Green sandpiper	Waders	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	
Purple sandpiper	-	0	0	2	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Ruff		0	1	0	0	0	0	4	7	8	2	0	
Little stint		0	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	
Whimbrel	1	0	0	62	53	76	3	5	5	4	5	6	

** Named bird species of Ireland's Eye SPA. *** SCI of Howth Head Coast SPA. **** Named bird species of Howth Head Coast SPA.

Table A10.4: Estuarine walkover peak monthly population estimates for bird species not listed on Baldoyle Bay SPA citation

APPENDIX 3 – MARINE VP SURVEY EFFORT

Date	VP ID	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Survey	Minimum Tide	Mean Tide	Maximum Tide	Survey Tidal	Survey Tidal State**
					Effort	(m)	(m)	(m)	Range (m)	
19/12/2014	2	AMcC	10:15	13:15	03:00	2.21	3.17	4.00	1.79	Т
22/12/2014	1	AMcC	12:25	15:25	03:00	1.90	3.30	4.55	2.65	Т
08/01/2015	2	AMcC	09:10	12:25	03:15	2.48	3.59	4.44	1.96	Н
12/01/2015	1	AMcC	10:00	13:00	03:00	2.48	3.04	3.69	1.21	Н
19/01/2015	1	AMcC	08:45	11:45	03:00	4.12	4.41	4.56	0.44	Н
19/01/2015	2	AMcC	12:55	15:55	03:00	1.10	1.89	3.08	1.98	L
18/02/2015	2	KM	08:30	11:30	03:00	3.92	4.51	4.76	0.84	Н
18/02/2015	1	KM	13:30	16:30	03:00	0.72	1.56	2.96	2.24	L
25/02/2015	2	KM	08:30	11:30	03:00	1.24	1.41	1.76	0.52	L
25/02/2015	1	KM	13:30	16:30	03:00	2.99	3.74	4.20	1.21	Н
05/03/2015	2	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	3.42	4.11	4.42	1	Н
05/03/2015	1	NV	14:00	17:00	03:00	0.95	1.84	3.14	2.19	L
23/03/2015	2	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	2.04	3.45	4.57	2.53	Т
23/03/2015	1	NV	14:00	17:00	03:00	2.01	3.63	4.81	2.8	Т
02/04/2015	2	NV	08:30	11:30	03:00	3.65	4.09	4.28	0.63	Н
02/04/2015	1	NV	13:30	16:30	03:00	1.10	1.64	2.65	1.55	L
08/04/2015	2	NV	08:00	11:00	03:00	1.15	2.09	3.16	2.01	L
08/04/2015	1	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	3.23	3.95	4.23	1	Н
19/05/2015	1	NV	05:30	08:30	03:00	0.83	1.55	2.73	1.9	L
19/05/2015	2	NV	10:00	13:00	03:00	3.92	4.47	4.70	0.78	Н
28/05/2015	2	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	1.95	2.78	3.59	1.64	L
28/05/2015	1	NV	14:00	17:00	03:00	1.64	2.18	2.88	1.24	L
16/06/2015	2	NV	10:00	13:00	03:00	3.70	4.26	4.48	0.78	Н
16/06/2015	1	NV	15:00	18:00	03:00	0.98	1.22	1.82	0.84	L
29/06/2015	2	NV	08:00	11:00	03:00	3.59	3.93	4.09	0.5	Н
29/06/2015	1	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	1.38	1.63	2.24	0.86	L
07/07/2015	1	NV	07:00	10:00	03:00	1.06	1.29	1.83	0.77	L
07/07/2015	2	NV	12:00	15:00	03:00	2.85	3.78	4.46	1.61	Н
13/07/2015	1	NV	07:30	10:30	03:00	3.83	4.23	4.40	0.57	Н
13/07/2015	2	NV	12:30	15:30	03:00	1.48	1.90	2.77	1.29	L
04/08/2015	2	NV	08:00	11:00	03:00	1.08	2.03	3.21	2.13	L
04/08/2015	1	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	3.98	4.56	4.79	0.81	Н
24/08/2015	2	NV	07:00	10:00	03:00	2.36	3.14	3.83	1.47	Н
24/08/2015	1	NV	12:15	15:15	03:00	2.02	2.48	3.09	1.07	L
09/09/2015	1	NV	07:00	10:00	03:00	3.42	3.82	3.99	0.57	Н
09/09/2015	2	NV	14:45	17:45	03:00	1.66	2.09	2.77	1.11	L
30/09/2015	1	NV	07:15	10:15	03:00	0.92	2.27	3.61	2.69	L
30/09/2015	2	NV	11:10	14:10	03:00	4.10	4.50	4.70	0.6	H

Date	VP ID	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Survey Effort	Minimum Tide (m)	Mean Tide (m)	Maximum Tide (m)	Survey Tidal Range (m)	Survey Tidal State**
01/10/2015	1	NV	08:00	11:00	03:00	1.02	2.32	3.59	2.57	
01/10/2015	2	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	4.00	4.44	4.63	0.63	H
22/10/2015	2	NV	11:45	14:45	03:00	2.04	2.33	2.83	0.79	L
22/10/2015	1	NV	15:30	18:30	03:00	3.20	3.77	4.16	0.96	H H
05/11/2015	2	NV	08:00	11:00	03:00	2.65	3.28	3.88	1.23	Н
06/11/2015	1	NV	12:10	15:10	03:00	2.26	2.41	2.66	0.4	L
23/11/2015	1	NV	07:45	10:45	03:00	3.84	4.29	4.47	0.63	H
23/11/2015	2	NV	11:30	14:30	03:00	1.26	2.01	3.19	1.93	L
03/12/2015	1	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	2.06	2.19	2.45	0.39	L
04/12/2015	2	NV	10:00	13:00	03:00	2.23	2.33	2.53	0.3	L
09/12/2015	1	NV	10:30	13:30	03:00	2.76	3.79	4.46	1.7	Н
10/12/2015	2	NV	09:30	12:30	03:00	3.83	4.31	4.50	0.67	Н
15/12/2015	1	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	2.03	3.17	4.22	2.19	Т
16/12/2015	2	NV	09:30	12:30	03:00	1.99	3.02	4.06	2.07	Т
06/01/2016	1	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	3.01	3.77	4.24	1.23	Н
08/01/2016	2	NV	10:00	13:00	03:00	3.35	4.28	4.73	1.38	Н
19/01/2016	1	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	1.79	2.68	3.66	1.87	L
23/01/2016	2	NV	10:00	13:00	03:00	3.77	4.39	4.65	0.88	Н
06/02/2016	1	NV	13:45	16:45	03:00	1.78	2.05	2.64	0.86	L
10/02/2016	2	NV	12:30	15:30	03:00	2.87	4.22	4.93	2.06	Н
17/02/2016	2	NV	11:00	14:00	03:00	1.54	1.71	2.07	0.53	L
18/02/2016	1	NV	10:30	13:30	03:00	1.56	2.30	3.27	1.71	L
08/03/2016	1	NV	09:00	12:00	03:00	4.24	4.68	4.87	0.63	Н
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09/05/2016	1	NV	06:30	09:30	03:00	0.78	1.55	2.79	2.01	L
25/05/2016	1	NV	15:00	18:00	03:00	1.67	2.81	3.91	2.24	Т
26/05/2016	2	NV	14:30	17:30	03:00	2.58	3.57	4.19	1.61	Н
14/06/2016	1	NV	06:30	09:30	03:00	3.15	3.79	4.08	0.93	Н
14/06/2016	2	NV	12:30	15:30	03:00	1.70	1.97	2.50	0.8	L
30/06/2016	1	NV	05:00	08:00	03:00	3.69	4.21	4.43	0.74	Н
30/06/2016	2	NV	08:45	11:45	03:00	1.79	2.87	3.95	2.16	Т
08/07/2016	2	NV	14:00	17:00	03:00	2.86	3.88	4.39	1.53	Н
12/07/2016	2	NV	11:15	14:15	03:00	1.61	2.11	2.79	1.18	L
17/07/2016	2	NV	12:30	15:30	03:00	1.46	2.02	2.92	1.46	L
22/07/2016	2	NV	11:00	14:00	03:00	3.76	4.27	4.48	0.72	Н
15/03/2017	1	NV	06:40	09:40	03:00	0.84	1.53	2.61	1.77	L

Date	VP ID	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Survey Effort	Minimum Tide (m)	Mean Tide (m)	Maximum Tide (m)	Survey Tidal Range (m)	Survey Tidal State**
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29/03/2017	2	NV	06:40	09:40	03:00	1.19	2.48	3.80	2.61	Т
29/03/2017	1	NV	12:00	15:00	03:00	3.00	4.31	5.02	2.02	Н
20/04/2017	1	NV	06:45	09:45	03:00	2.21	2.93	3.56	1.35	Т
20/04/2017	2	NV	11:00	14:00	03:00	1.66	1.80	2.12	0.46	L
27/04/2017	1	NV	06:15	09:15	03:00	0.99	2.31	3.69	2.7	L
27/04/2017	2	NV	12:55	15:55	03:00	1.40	3.00	4.45	3.05	Т
08/05/2017	1	NV	05:40	08:40	03:00	2.21	3.30	3.96	1.75	Т
08/05/2017	2	NV	12:40	15:40	03:00	1.06	1.84	2.97	1.91	L
17/05/2017	1	NV	11:20	14:20	03:00	2.67	3.23	3.75	1.08	Н
17/05/2017	2	NV	15:20	18:20	03:00	3.19	3.77	4.03	0.84	Н
12/06/2017	2	NV	12:40	15:40	03:00	3.19	3.96	4.30	1.11	Н
12/06/2017	1	NV	16:30	19:30	03:00	1.29	1.63	2.43	1.14	L
27/06/2017	2	NV	08:15	11:15	03:00	1.15	2.30	3.51	2.36	L
27/06/2017	1	NV	12:05	15:02	02:57	4.12	4.56	4.76	0.64	Н
20/07/2017	2	NV	07:45	10:45	03:00	3.26	4.00	4.34	1.08	Н
20/07/2017	1	NV	11:30	14:30	03:00	1.29	1.75	2.63	1.34	L
27/07/2017	1	NV	07:30	10:30	03:00	0.92	1.48	2.50	1.58	L
27/07/2017	2	NV	11:30	14:30	03:00	3.30	4.16	4.64	1.34	Н
17/08/2017	1	NV	08:50	11:50	03:00	1.81	2.63	3.57	1.77	Т
17/08/2017	2	NV	12:35	15:35	03:00	1.66	1.98	2.56	0.91	L
29/08/2017	2	NV	10:05	13:05	03:00	1.72	2.05	2.62	0.91	L
29/08/2017	1	NV	13:45	16:45	03:00	3.00	3.57	3.94	0.95	Н
06/09/2017	2	NV	08:40	11:40	03:00	3.25	4.00	4.42	1.18	Н
06/09/2017	1	NV	12:20	15:20	03:00	1.94	3.19	4.23	2.3	Т
21/09/2017	1	NV	12:15	15:15	03:00	2.52	3.80	4.63	2.12	Т
21/09/2017	2	NV	15:45	18:45	03:00	1.02	1.26	1.90	0.89	L
25/10/2017	2	NV	12:40	15:40	03:00	3.81	4.14	4.27	0.47	Н
25/10/2017	1	NV	16:05	19:05	03:00	2.10	3.03	3.93	1.84	Т
31/10/2017	1	NV	07:00	10:00	03:00	3.64	3.89	4.03	0.4	Н
31/10/2017	2	NV	13:45	16:45	03:00	1.85	2.12	2.69	0.85	L
27/11/2017	1	NV	08:15	11:15	03:00	2.04	2.46	3.10	1.07	Т
29/11/2017	1	NV	13:05	16:05	03:00	1.67	1.98	2.56	0.9	L
30/11/2017	2	NV	12:50	15:50	03:00	1.49	1.62	1.94	0.46	L
04/12/2017	1	NV	08:25	11:25	03:00	3.18	4.13	4.71	1.54	Н
18/12/2017	2	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	1.66	2.81	3.97	2.32	Т
28/12/2017	1	NV	08:20	11:20	03:00	2.13	2.88	3.68	1.56	Т
28/12/2017	2	NV	12:20	15:20	03:00	1.84	2.16	2.76	0.93	Т
10/01/2018	1	NV	08:20	11:20	03:00	2.04	2.68	3.52	1.49	Т
10/01/2018	2	NV	11:55	14:55	03:00	1.94	2.29	2.85	0.92	Т
24/01/2018	2	NV	08:30	11:30	03:00	2.18	2.37	2.78	0.61	Т
24/01/2018	1	NV	12:05	15:05	03:00	3.15	3.86	4.48	1.34	Н
05/02/2018	1	NV	09:15	12:15	03:00	1.23	2.25	3.35	2.13	Т

Date	VP ID	Surveyor*	Start Time	Finish Time	Survey Effort	Minimum Tide	Mean Tide	Maximum Tide	Survey Tidal	Survey Tidal State**
			-			(m)	(m)	(m)	Range (m)	
05/02/2018	2	NV	13:00	16:00	03:00	3.86	4.33	4.52	0.67	H
22/02/2018	1	NV	07:30	10:30	03:00	1.28	1.44	1.80	0.53	L
22/02/2018	2	NV	11:20	14:20	03:00	2.17	3.12	3.96	1.8	Т
15/03/2018	1	NV	06:40	09:40	03:00	3.00	3.95	4.69	1.7	Н
15/03/2018	2	NV	12:00	15:00	03:00	1.98	3.15	4.32	2.35	Т
29/03/2018	2	NV	06:40	09:40	03:00	3.07	3.95	4.56	1.5	Н
29/03/2018	1	NV	12:00	15:00	03:00	1.05	2.21	3.60	2.56	Т

* Surveyors: AMcC = Adam McClure, KM = Kevin Mawhinney, NV= Nick Veale. ** Tidal state for each survey is designated as follows. Surveys designated as 'high tide' (H) when survey mean tide >= mid height of the tide AND survey min tide >= highest low tide. Surveys designated as 'low tide'(L) when survey mean tide < the mid height of the tide AND survey max tide < lowest high tide. All other surveys are designate 'through the tide' 'T'

Table A10.5: Coastal and marine VP survey effort December 2014 to March 2018

APPENDIX 4 – MARINE VP RECORDS

Species	Ireland's Eye SPA	Howth Head Coast SPA	Number of Surveys Species Present (74 Surveys Total)	Total Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Total Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Guillemot	SCI	Yes	60	1084	750	216	364	465	March
Razorbill	SCI	Yes	62	1557	771	388	188	453	March
Guillemot or razorbill	SCI	Yes	39	1089	218	400	33	424	October
Kittiwake	SCI	SCI	60	1207	1000	145	186	310	October
Herring gull	SCI	No	75	3709	1932	177	119	239	February
Fulmar	Yes	Yes	55	336	741	76	83	159	December
Great black-backed gull	Yes	No	74	746	746	61	43	97	February
Cormorant	SCI	No	73	476	472	47	34	69	January
Gannet	Yes	No	48	277	354	19	42	60	February
Shag	Yes	No	71	783	365	41	12	47	September
Cormorant or shag	Yes	No	3	31	3	29	3	29	October
Black guillemot	Yes	No	59	208	96	22	6	22	October
Peregrine	Yes	Yes	15	0	24	0	4	4	October
Puffin	Yes	No	4	2	4	1	2	2	March

Table A10.6: Frequency and number of species encounters and on sea/in flight/total peak counts from VP surveys during winter/passage season (species named in Ireland's Eye and/or Howth Head Coast SPA citations), sorted by peak VP count

Species	Baldoyle Bay SPA Citation Status	Number of Surveys Species Present (74 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Great crested grebe	Yes	46	1846	32	253	3	255	March
Oystercatcher	Yes	63	1383	912	187	109	210	January
Sanderling	Yes	17	453	230	82	51	105	December
Dunlin	Yes	9	146	235	80	100	100	January
Red-breasted merganser	Yes	39	456	99	72	18	90	March
Turnstone	Yes	16	203	70	33	19	44	March
Brent goose (LB)	SCI	39	107	569	39	39	39	February
Redshank	Yes	5	84	4	36	4	36	January
Ringed plover	SCI	5	0	89	0	21	21	March
Curlew	Yes	18	49	61	13	11	16	November
Lapwing	Yes	1	0	15	0	15	15	February
Bar-tailed godwit	SCI	3	27	0	14	0	14	October
Black-tailed godwit	Yes	1	0	12	0	12	12	November
Shelduck	SCI	3	9	8	9	4	9	Novembe
Grey heron	Yes*	10	2	14	1	6	7	Decembe
Mallard	Yes	1	0	2	0	2	2	February

*Listed as 'other important species' of Baldoyle Bay SPA.

Table A10.7: Frequency and number of species encounters and on sea/in flight/total peak counts from VP surveys during winter/passage season (species named in Baldoyle Bay SPA citation), sorted by peak VP count

Species	Number of Surveys Species Present (74 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Common scoter	64	5616	696	443	53	478	January
Black-headed gull	55	1759	753	121	102	223	October
Canada goose	2	204	3	203	3	203	January
Red-throated diver	63	617	73	112	5	112	March
Sandwich tern	8	77	89	37	23	58	September
Pink-footed goose	1	0	49	0	49	49	March
Whimbrel	4	3	80	3	38	38	March
Manx shearwater	1	0	35	0	35	35	September
Bar-tailed godwit	5	71	0	25	0	25	October
Lesser black-backed gull	28	97	33	18	7	25	November
Common gull	36	135	66	22	7	23	November
Common or Arctic tern	1	0	23	0	23	23	September
Swallow	2	0	36	0	18	18	March
Goldcrest	1	11	0	11	0	11	March
Great northern diver	37	85	9	8	2	9	December
Black-throated diver	6	11	0	5	0	5	February
Common tern	1	2	3	2	3	5	September
Common eider	1	4	0	4	0	4	December
Little grebe	2	0	8	0	4	4	March
Long-tailed duck	5	12	0	4	0	4	January
Purple sandpiper	2	0	8	0	4	4	March
Mediterranean gull	4	5	2	2	1	2	September
Blackbird	1	0	2	0	2	2	November
Ring-billed gull	1	2	0	2	0	2	March
Slavonian grebe	1	2	0	2	0	2	March
Arctic skua	1	0	1	0	1	1	September
Black-necked grebe	1	1	0	1	0	1	March

Table A10.8: Frequency and number of species encounters and on sea/in flight/total peak counts from VP surveys during winter/passage season (non-SPA species), sorted by peak VP count

Species	Number of Surveys Species Present (74 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Unidentified gull	3	205	0	142	0	142	January
Unidentified wader	4	28	0	24	0	31	November

Table A10.9: Number of partially identified bird encounters and on sea/in flight/total peak counts from VP surveys during winter/passage season, sorted by peak VP count

Species	Ireland's Eye SPA	Howth Head Coast SPA	Number of Surveys Species Present (56 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Guillemot	SCI	Yes	51	7882	4541	1051	462	1513	June
Razorbill	SCI	Yes	55	6683	3571	705	333	1038	May
Kittiwake	SCI	SCI	56	2988	1773	477	87	557	May
Guillemot or razorbill	Yes	Yes	38	795	534	184	161	244	July
Gannet	Yes	No	54	1055	1268	143	133	225	June
Herring Gull	SCI	No	56	3070	1889	129	86	185	June
Puffin	Yes	No	33	740	322	151	55	173	June
Shag	Yes	No	56	1208	1075	60	84	129	July
Great Black-backed Gull	Yes	No	56	692	905	32	66	87	June
Cormorant	SCI	No	56	501	791	37	49	63	June
Fulmar	Yes	Yes	51	197	516	23	40	63	May
Black Guillemot	Yes	No	51	204	114	10	6	14	June
Peregrine	Yes	Yes	18	0	18	0	2	2	May, July
Cormorant or shag	Yes	No	4	3	1	1	1	1	May, July, August

Table A10.10: Frequency and number of species encounters from VP surveys during breeding season (species named in Ireland's Eye/Howth Head Coast SPA citations), sorted by peak VP count

Species	Baldoyle Bay SPA Citation Status	Number of Surveys Species Present (56 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Oystercatcher	Yes	49	805	357	128	38	145	May
Ringed Plover	SCI	9	136	73	38	32	70	June
Red-breasted Merganser	Yes	15	117	22	37	7	44	August
Dunlin	Yes	4	80	37	40	26	40	June
Black-tailed Godwit	Yes	1	0	37	0	37	37	July
Curlew	Yes	9	21	20	7	10	16	August
Redshank	Yes	2	7	16	7	16	16	April
Great Crested Grebe	Yes	7	55	5	14	2	15	April
Shelduck	SCI	19	13	69	4	14	14	July
Brent Goose (light-bellied)	SCI	3	0	30	0	24	13	April
Turnstone	Yes	4	8	28	8	12	12	July
Bar-tailed Godwit	Yes	1	1	0	1	0	1	May
Grey Heron	Yes*	8	1	6	1	1	1	April, May, June, July, August

Table A10.11: Frequency and number of species encounters from VP surveys during breeding season (species named in Baldoyle Bay SPA citation), sorted by peak VP count

Species	Number of Surveys Species Present (56 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Black-headed gull	42	757	501	96	60	156	August
Manx shearwater	29	318	637	53	100	128	August
Common scoter	16	445	57	119	18	124	August
Common tern	23	123	435	17	94	109	August
Red-throated diver	13	122	13	52	3	52	April
Common gull	42	176	113	38	10	40	June

Species	Number of Surveys Species Present (56 Surveys Total)	Number of Individuals Encountered on Sea During VP Surveys	Number of Individuals Encountered in Flight During VP Surveys	Peak VP Count (Birds on Sea in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (Birds in Flight in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Count (All Birds in a Single Survey)	Peak VP Month
Sandwich tern	49	295	455	19	32	37	May
Common or Arctic tern	26	84	185	18	17	24	June
Lesser black-backed gull	48	119	92	12	7	14	May
Tufted duck	2	0	20	0	11	14	June
Whimbrel	5	7	18	4	11	11	April
Little tern	2	1	10	1	10	10	August
Mediterranean gull	3	2	12	2	10	10	July
Common eider	2	16	0	8	0	8	April
Roseate tern	7	3	15	2	8	8	August
Long-tailed duck	1	6	0	6	0	6	April
Mute swan	1	0	4	0	4	4	July
Arctic tern	8	4	12	2	3	3	May, June
Great skua	9	2	13	1	3	3	June, August
Kestrel	7	3	4	3	3	3	June
Blackbird	1	0	2	0	2	2	April
Feral pigeon	4	0	8	0	2	2	May, June
Greenfinch	2	1	2	1	2	2	July
Sparrowhawk	1	0	2	0	2	2	June
Arctic skua	4	0	4	0	1	1	July, August
Little stint	1	0	1	0	1	1	July
Great northern diver	1	1	0	1	0	1	August
Ring-billed gull	1	1	0	1	0	1	July
Storm petrel	1	0	1	0	1	1	May

Table A10.12: Frequency and number of species encounters and on sea/in flight/total peak counts from VP surveys during breeding season (non-SPA species), sorted by peak VP count

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	2	0	2
	DP	0	0	55	95	150
	FE	0	0	7	0	7
	LO	0	15	85	219	319
1	PL	0	0	0	2	2
	RO	0	4	15	29	48
	SF	0	0	5	0	5
	SU	0	0	3	32	35
	Total	0	19	172	377	568
	-	0	0	17	7	24
	DP	98	32	156	187	473
	FE	0	0	0	12	12
	LO	132	1176	940	564	2812
2	PR	5	16	0	1	22
2	RO	15	30	54	58	157
	SC	0	2	0	0	2
	SF	0	20	25	41	86
	SU	0	6	15	18	39
	Total	250	1282	1207	888	3627
Gra	nd Total	250	1301	1379	1265	4195

Table A10.13: Kittiwake behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	1	4	3	8
	FE	4	41	257	157	459
1	LO	1	38	126	135	300
	PR	0	5	8	0	13
	Total	5	85	395	295	780
	-	74	63			137
	FE	46	271	581	253	1151
	LO	4150	1331	795	278	6554
2	PL	0	0	0	1	1
	PR	122	27	6	0	155
	RO	181	7	0	0	188
	Total	4573	1699	1382	532	8186
Grai	nd Total	4578	1784	1777	827	8966

Table A10.14: Guillemot behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	0	6	6
	FE	4	55	187	314	560
1	LO	1	15	62	129	207
	PR	0	5	8	5	18
	Total	5	75	257	454	791
	-	52	18			70
	FE	26	233	490	231	980
2	LO	3900	1177	659	190	5926
2	PR	139	53	9	7	208
	RO	223	42	0	0	265
	Total	4340	1523	1158	428	7449
Grai	nd Total	4345	1598	1415	882	8240

Table A10.15: Razorbill behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	13	6	5	42	66
	DP			35	83	118
	FE				5	5
	LO	184	381	324	225	1114
	PR	10	3	0	2	15
1	RL	40	26	65	84	215
	RO	394	374	527	443	1738
	SC	0	12	8	12	32
	SF	0	0	22	56	78
	SU	10	1	3	5	19
	Total	651	803	989	957	3400
	-	28	12	6	7	53
	FE	10	1	0	6	17
	LO	970	590	205	182	1947
	PR	182	46	0	0	228
0	RL	137	22	0	0	159
2	RO	349	160	29	15	553
	SC	18	27	4	28	77
	SF	0	70	138	81	289
	SU	15	2	11	28	56
	Total	1709	930	393	347	3379
Gra	nd Total	2360	1733	1382	1304	6779

Table A10.16: Herring gull behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	2	0	0	0	2
	FE	36	100	77	43	256
	LO	0	1	0	0	1
1	PR	79	59	50	84	272
I	RL	0	0	6	2	8
	RO	27	0	8	10	45
	SU	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	144	160	141	140	585
	-	0	2	0	1	3
	FE	34	54	49	62	199
	LO	3	1	0	9	13
2	PL	1	0	0	0	1
	PR	100	26	0	0	126
	RL	50	0	0	0	50
	Total	188	83	49	72	392
Grai	nd Total	332	243	190	212	977

Table A10.17: Cormorant behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	7	11	18
	FE	0	0	2	0	2
	LO	17	24	90	203	334
	PR	4	0	0	3	7
1	RL	2	3	6	4	15
1	RO	32	16	45	101	194
	SC	0	0	0	10	10
	SF	0	0	12	21	33
	SU	0	0	2	0	2
	Total	55	43	164	353	615
	-	8	0	7	8	23
	FE	3	0	0	9	12
	LO	57	106	143	239	545
	PR	25	15	1	0	41
2	RL	8	0	0	0	8
2	RO	3	0	7	5	15
	SC	2	9	0	12	23
	SF	0	29	47	66	142
	SU	2	0	4	8	14
	Total	108	159	209	347	823
Gran	nd Total	163	202	373	700	1438

Table A10.18: Great black-backed gull behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	0	1	1
	LO	0	0	8	40	48
1	PR	0	0	0	4	4
	SU	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	0	0	8	46	54
	-	1	0	4	1	6
	LO	73	88	100	72	333
2	PR	20	15	3	0	38
2	RO	1	49	43	6	99
	SU	0	0	0	3	3
	Total	95	152	150	82	479
Grai	nd Total	95	152	158	128	533

Table A10.19: Fulmar behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	1	5	0	11	17
	CN	0	1	0	0	1
	FE	148	323	104	48	623
1	LO	0	6	3	0	9
I	PR	6	15	3	9	33
	RL	0	0	0	5	5
	RO	2	0	0	0	2
	Total	157	350	110	73	690
	-	6	1	1	2	10
	FE	334	265	140	69	808
	LO	20	0	0	0	20
2	PR	297	49	0	0	346
2	RL	108	0	0	0	108
	RO	0	8	0	0	8
	SF	0	1	0	0	1
	Total	765	324	141	71	1301
Grai	nd Total	922	674	251	144	1991

Table A10.20: Shag behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	LO	0	0	7	43	50
1	PL	0	0	20	66	86
I	RO	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	0	0	27	110	137
	-	0	0	1	3	4
	DP	0	0	2	0	2
	FE	0	9	0	2	11
	LO	80	144	124	170	518
2	PL	12	60	133	204	409
2	PR	134	76	9	3	222
	RO	0	0	1	6	7
	SF	0	3	0	0	3
	SU	7	0	10	2	19
	Total	233	292	280	390	1195
Grai	nd Total	233	292	307	500	1332

Table A10.21: Gannet behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	FE	0	0	3	5	8
1	LO	0	0	2	5	7
	Total	0	0	5	10	15
	-	6	0	2	0	8
	FE	0	7	8	4	19
2	LO	547	138	8	0	693
	PR	5	2	0	0	7
	Total	558	147	18	4	727
Gra	nd Total	558	147	23	14	742

Table A10.22: Puffin behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	2	1	0	3
1	FE	6	42	57	59	164
I	RL	0	0	0	22	22
	Total	6	44	58	81	189
	-	3	9	0	0	12
2	FE	74	96	34	7	211
	Total	77	105	34	7	223
Grai	nd Total	83	149	92	88	412

Table A10.23: Black guillemot behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	3	1	11	1	16
	FE	107	451	166	26	750
	LO	8	459	99	122	688
1	PR	4	159	104	6	273
	RO	0	0	2	4	6
	SU	0	0	0	1	1
	Total	122	1070	382	160	1734
	FE	3	13	30	107	153
2	PR	0	4	0	10	14
	Total	3	17	30	117	167
Grai	nd Total	125	1087	412	277	1901

Table A10.24: Great crested grebe behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	11	0	0	0	11
	FE	121	78	13	97	309
1	LO	11	0	0	12	23
I	RL	74	16	46	121	257
	RO	554	100	182	689	1525
	Total	771	194	241	919	2125
	-	2	0	0	0	2
	FE	20	0	0	0	20
2	LO	0	2	0	0	2
2	RL	8	0	0	0	8
	RO	31	0	0	0	31
	Total	61	2	0	0	63
Grai	nd Total	832	196	241	919	2188

Table A10.25: Oystercatcher behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	FE	163	23	53	152	391
1	RO	0	0	0	18	18
1	SU	0	22	0	22	44
	Total	163	45	53	192	453
2	Total	0	0	0	0	0
Gran	nd Total	163	45	53	192	453

Table A10.26: Sanderling behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	FE	8	0	0	86	94
1	RO	22	0	12	98	132
	Total	30	0	12	184	226
2	Total	0	0	0	0	0
Grai	nd Total	30	0	12	184	226

Table A10.27: Dunlin behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	4	17	0	21
	FE	24	349	70	12	455
1	LO	3	7	6	29	45
	PR	0	17	22	0	39
	Total	27	377	115	41	560
	ED	2	0	0	0	2
2	FE	0	0	0	11	11
	Total	2	0	0	11	13
Gra	nd Total	29	377	115	52	573

Table A10.28: Red-breasted merganser behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	0	12	12
	FE	6	22	0	12	40
1	PR	0	0	0	11	11
	RO	53	0	33	36	122
	Total	59	22	33	71	185
	RL	4	0	0	0	4
2	RO	21	0	0	0	21
	Total	25	0	0	0	25
Grai	nd Total	84	22	33	71	210

Table A10.29: Turnstone behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	FE	0	0	0	8	8
1	RL	0	0	0	27	27
'	RO	0	0	4	52	56
	Total	0	0	4	87	91
2	Total	0	0	0	0	0
Grai	nd Total	0	0	4	87	91

Table A10.30: Redshank behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	7	0	0	0	7
1	FE	11	7	8	19	45
I	RO	60	8	16	0	84
	Total	78	15	24	19	136
2	Total	0	0	0	0	0
Grai	nd Total	78	15	24	19	136

Table A10.31: Ringed plover behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	7	6	2	0	15
	DP	2	0	0	0	2
	LO	192	165	82	75	514
	PR	5	0	0	0	5
4	RL	22	34	80	93	229
1	RO	338	317	438	428	1521
	SC	0	4	8	0	12
	SF	0	0	2	20	22
	SU	7	0	4	9	20
	Total	573	526	616	625	2340
	-	0	1	0	0	1
	LO	4	7	63	40	114
	PR	0	0	3	0	3
2	RO	0	0	15	27	42
	SC	0	6	0	0	6
	SF	0	0	7	3	10
	Total	4	14	88	70	176
Gra	nd Total	577	540	704	695	2516

Table A10.32: Black-headed gull behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	4	0	0	0	4
	FE	0	0	1	0	1
	LO	16	9	9	14	48
	RL	2	0	22	4	28
1	RO	30	47	38	38	153
	SC	0	0	0	2	2
	SF	0	0	0	3	3
	SU	1	0	0	0	1
	Total	53	56	70	61	240
	LO	5	16	11	10	42
	RO	2	0	2	0	4
2	SC	2	4	0	0	6
	SF	0	2	7	10	19
	Total	9	22	20	20	71
Gra	nd Total	62	78	90	81	311

Table A10.33: Common gull behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	2	0	2
	LO	7	24	14	4	49
1	RL	0	4	5	6	15
1	RO	15	22	36	31	104
	SF	0	0	1	0	1
	Total	22	50	58	41	171
	LO	2	6	10	8	26
	RL	2	0	0	0	2
2	RO	5	3	0	0	8
	SF	0	0	2	7	9
	Total	9	9	12	15	45
Gran	nd Total	31	59	70	56	216

Table A10.34: Lesser black-backed gull behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	2	1	2	5
	FE	17	102	184	38	341
1	LO	0	39	93	87	219
	PR	0	5	15	14	34
	Total	17	148	293	141	599
	-	0	0	1	2	3
	FE	1	6	34	87	128
2	LO	0	1	0	5	6
	PR	0	2	0	1	3
	Total	1	9	35	95	140
Grai	nd Total	18	157	328	236	739

Table A10.35: Red-throated diver behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
	-	0	0	0	1	1
1	FE	0	7	16	32	55
I	LO	0	0	0	1	1
	PR	0	0	1	0	1
	Total	0	7	17	34	58
2	FE	0	3	10	14	27
2	LO	0	0	1	0	1
	Total	0	3	11	14	28
Gra	nd Total	0	10	28	48	86

Table A10.36: Great northern diver behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
1	-	16	0	0	89	105
	FE	8	429	75	495	1294
	LO	99	1175	256	1792	3531
	PR	0	44	0	4	48
	RO	15	0	0	29	44
	Total	138	1648	331	2409	5022
2	FE	0	91	45	350	441
	LO	0	47	0	546	598
	Total	0	138	45	896	1039
Grand Total		138	1786	376	3305	6061

Table A10.37: Common scoter behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
1	DP	0	5	5	0	10
	PL	9	51	13	16	89
	Total	9	56	18	16	99
2	DP	0	0	4	6	10
	PL	0	4	12	0	16
	Total	0	4	16	6	26
Grand Total		9	60	34	22	125

Table A10.38: Common tern behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
1	DP	0	15	13	0	28
	LO	0	1	0	0	1
	PL	23	49	27	14	113
	RL	0	3	0	52	55
	RO	19	20	6	32	77
	Total	42	88	46	98	274
2	-	0	0	0	6	6
	DP	0	0	18	11	29
	PL	0	3	19	41	63
	Total	0	3	37	58	98
Grand Total		42	91	83	156	372

Table A10.39: Sandwich tern behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)

VP Number	Behaviour Code	VP Band 1	VP Band 2	VP Band 3	VP Band 4	Total
1	LO	0	0	0	27	27
	SU	0	0	0	27	27
	Total	0	0	0	54	54
2	FE	0	0	0	7	7
	LO	0	0	25	114	139
	RO	0	0	11	10	21
	SU	0	0	27	70	97
	Total	0	0	63	201	264
Grand Total		9	60	63	255	318

Table A10.40: Manx shearwater behaviour and distance band distribution recorded during VP surveys (all months, all survey years)









Graph A10.2: Total number of great black-backed gulls (GB), herring gulls (HG) and kittiwakes (KI) recorded by **month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.3: Total number of fulmars (F.) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet **Strand and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.4: Total number cormorants (CA) and shags (SA) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand **and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.5: Total number of gannets (GX) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye) during entire survey programme



Graph A10.6: Total number of puffins (PU) and black guillemots (TY) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet **Strand and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.7: Total number of peregrines (PE) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye) during entire survey programme







Graph A10.9: Total number of dunlins (DN), red-breasted mergansers (RM) and turnstones (TT) recorded by month **during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.10: Total number of redshanks (RK) and ringed plovers (RP) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye) during entire survey programme



Graph A10.11: Total number of black-headed gulls (BH), common gulls (CM) and lesser black-backed gulls (LB) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and Ireland's Eye) during entire survey programme



Graph A10.12: Total number of great northern divers (ND) and red-throated divers (RH) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet **Strand and Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme



Graph A10.13: Total number of common scoters (CX) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and **Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme







Graph A10.15: Total number of Manx shearwaters (MX) recorded by month during VP surveys (Velvet Strand and **Ireland's Eye)** during entire survey programme