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1 Conservation Objectives (COs)

- 1.1.1.1 In order to determine whether significant effects are likely to occur to an SAC or SPA, the predicted effects must be measured against each site's conservation objectives ("CO").
- 1.1.1.2 Where site-specific CO documents have been published, these specific CO and QI target attributes that define Favourable Conservation Status for a particular habitat or species at a given site have been considered. The full list of CO applicable as of 27 January 2025, have been included in Appendix A: Conservation Objectives.
- 1.1.1.3 For all sites where site-specific CO are not available, NPWS¹ has defined first order CO to maintain or restore the favourable conservation status of the Annex I habitat or Annex II species for which the SAC/SPA has been selected.
- 1.1.1.4 In a generic sense 'Favourable Conservation Status' of a habitat is achieved when:
- Its natural range, and area it covers within that range, are stable or increasing;
 - The specific structure and functions which are necessary for its long-term maintenance exist and are likely to continue to exist for the foreseeable future; and
 - The conservation status of its typical species is favourable.
- 1.1.1.5 While the 'Favourable Conservation Status' of a species is achieved when:
- Population dynamics data on the species concerned indicate that it is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitats;
 - The natural range of the species is neither being reduced nor is likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future; and
 - There is, and will probably continue to be, a sufficiently large habitat to maintain its populations on a long-term basis.
- 1.1.1.6 For some sites designated for marine mammal receptors (e.g. sites where marine mammal QIs have recently been designated), site-specific CO have not yet been published. In these cases, to ensure a robust and precautionary assessment, the approach taken across the Habitats Directive Assessment has been to assess against proxy site-specific CO from nearby sites of a similar nature (where appropriate) with the same QIs as these provide more focussed advice than the generic CO identified. Where relevant, this is identified within Table 1 and Table 2.
- 1.1.1.7 The most up-to-date site-specific COs for the European sites being considered have been used in this appraisal. Details in relation to the QIs of SACs and SPAs is based on publicly available data sourced from the relevant Statutory Nature Conservation Bodies (SNCBs) in Ireland and other relevant states in December 2024.

¹ <https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/conservation-management-planning>

Table 1 Conservation Objectives for SACs and their Qualifying Interest taken forward to Stage 2: AA

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QI)s
Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC [IE003000]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of reefs in Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area – the permanent area is stable or increasing, subject to natural causes Habitat distribution - distribution is stable or increasing, subject to natural causes Community structure – conserve the following community types in a natural condition: Intertidal reef community complex and subtidal reef community complex. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/003000	Reefs [000204]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 		Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
The Murrough Wetlands SAC [IE002249]	To restore the favourable conservation condition of Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>) in The Murrough Wetlands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: hydrology - No human disturbance; Vegetation structure: plant height - Standard deviation of median plant height more than 5; Vegetation structure: disturbed ground - Percentage cover at a representative number of 2 m x 2 m monitoring stops; Vegetation structure: zonation - Adequate number of zones present, depending on geographical type of saltmarsh; Vegetation structure: transitions - No loss of natural transitions; Vegetation composition: typical species - Minimum of twelve typical species recorded across all plots; Vegetation composition: negative species - <i>Spartina</i> spp. have not been recorded in the habitat in this SAC and establishment should be prevented; Other negative indicators - No signs of infilling, reclamation, turf-cutting or pollution or other negative indicators; and Indicators of local distinctiveness - No decline in distribution or population sizes of rare, threatened or scarce species associated with the habitat. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002249	Atlantic salt meadows <i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i> [1330]
	To restore the favourable conservation condition of Mediterranean salt meadows (<i>Juncetalia maritimi</i>) in The Murrough Wetlands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: hydrology - No human disturbance; Vegetation structure: disturbed ground - Cover of disturbed ground less than 5%; Vegetation structure: transitions - No loss of natural transitions; Vegetation composition: typical species - Minimum of six typical species recorded across all plots; minimum two typical species in more than 25% of plots (excluding <i>Juncus maritimus</i>); Vegetation composition: negative species - <i>Spartina</i> spp. have not been recorded in the habitat in this SAC and establishment should be prevented; Other negative indicators - No signs of infilling, reclamation, turf-cutting or pollution or other negative indicators; and Indicators of local distinctiveness - No decline in distribution or population sizes of rare, threatened or scarce species associated with the habitat. 		Mediterranean salt meadows <i>Juncetalia maritima</i> [1410]

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North Dublin Bay SAC [IE000206]C	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide in the North Dublin Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - the permanent habitat area is stable or increasing, subject to natural processes Community Distribution The following community types should be maintained in a natural condition: Estuarine muds dominated by polychaetes and crustaceans community complex; and Sand dominated by polychaetes community complex 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000206	Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140]
	To restore the favourable conservation condition of Salicornia and other annuals colonizing mud and sand in North Dublin Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession. Habitat distribution - No decline, or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain, or where necessary restore, natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans- Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime - Maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: zonation-Maintain the range of coastal habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward Vegetation structure: vegetation cover - Maintain more than 90% of area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species and subcommunities -Maintain the presence of species-poor communities listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation structure: negative indicator species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310]
	To restore the favourable conservation condition of Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>) in North Dublin Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans - Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime – maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward Vegetation structure: zonation - Maintain range of coastal habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: cover - Maintain more than 90% area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species - Maintain range of subcommunities with typical species listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation composition: negative species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		Atlantic salt meadows <i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i> [1330]
	To restore the favourable conservation condition of Mediterranean salt meadows (<i>Juncetalia maritimi</i>) in North Dublin Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans - Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime – maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: zonation - Maintain range of saltmarsh habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward 		Mediterranean salt meadows <i>Juncetalia maritima</i> [1410]

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QIs)
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vegetation structure: vegetation cover - Maintain more than 90% of area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species - Maintain range of subcommunities with characteristic species listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation composition: negative species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		
South Dublin Bay SAC [IE000210]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide in the South Dublin Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - the permanent habitat area is stable or increasing, subject to natural processes Community Distribution - Maintain the extent of the Zostera-dominated community, subject to natural processes. Community structure: Zostera density - Conserve the high quality of the Zostera-dominated community, subject to natural processes Community distribution - Conserve the following community type in a natural condition: Fine sands with <i>Angulus tenuis</i> community complex 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000210	Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140]
	No conservation objectives available for this feature at this time. Assessment will be based upon the COs of the North Dublin site with the same qualifying feature that has COs, within the same population community (MU).		Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310]
Baldoyle Bay SAC [IE000199]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide in the Baldoyle Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - the permanent habitat area is stable or increasing, subject to natural processes Community Distribution - Conserve the following community types in a natural condition: Fine sand dominated by <i>Angulus tenuis</i> community complex; and Estuarine sandy mud with <i>Pygospio elegans</i> and <i>Tubificoides benedii</i> community complex. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000199	Mudflats and sandflats not covered by seawater at low tide [1140]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Salicornia and other annuals colonizing mud and sand in Baldoyle Bay SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession. Habitat distribution - No decline, or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain, or where necessary restore, natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans- Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime - Maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: zonation-Maintain the range of coastal habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward Vegetation structure: vegetation cover - Maintain more than 90% of area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species and subcommunities -Maintain the presence of species-poor communities listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation structure: negative indicator species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		Salicornia and other annuals colonising mud and sand [1310]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Atlantic salt meadows (<i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i>) in Kilkieran Bay and Islands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans - Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime – maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward 		Atlantic salt meadows <i>Glauco-Puccinellietalia maritima</i> [1330]

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Vegetation structure: zonation - Maintain range of coastal habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: cover - Maintain more than 90% area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species - Maintain range of subcommunities with typical species listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation composition: negative species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Mediterranean salt meadows (<i>Juncetalia maritimi</i>) in Kilkieran Bay and Islands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Habitat area - Area stable or increasing, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession; Habitat distribution - No decline or change in habitat distribution, subject to natural processes; Physical structure: sediment supply - Maintain natural circulation of sediments and organic matter, without any physical obstructions Physical structure: creeks and pans - Maintain creek and pan structure, subject to natural processes, including erosion and succession Physical structure: flooding regime – maintain natural tidal regime Vegetation structure: zonation - Maintain range of saltmarsh habitats including transitional zones, subject to natural processes including erosion and succession Vegetation structure: vegetation height - Maintain structural variation within sward Vegetation structure: vegetation cover - Maintain more than 90% of area outside creeks vegetated Vegetation composition: typical species - Maintain range of subcommunities with characteristic species listed in SMP (McCorry and Ryle, 2009) Vegetation composition: negative species - No significant expansion of common cordgrass (<i>Spartina anglica</i>), with an annual spread of less than 1% 		Mediterranean salt meadows <i>Juncetalia maritima</i> [1410]
Codling Fault Zone SAC [IE003015]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Codling Fault Zone SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/003015	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Submarine structures made by leaking gases in Codling Fault Zone SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Area of methane derived authigenic structures (MDAC) features – The permanent area is stable or increasing, subject to natural processes Distribution – stable or increasing subject to natural processes Physical structure – maintain the structural integrity of the MDAC features, subject to natural processes Community structure – conserve the Codling Fault Zone MDACs community complex in a natural condition, subject to natural processes 		Submarine structures made by leaking gases [003015]
Lambay Island SAC [IE000204]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of grey seal in Lambay Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; Breeding behaviour - The breeding sites should be maintained in a natural condition; Moulting behaviour - The moult haul-out sites should be maintained in natural condition; Resting behaviour - The resting haul-out sites should be maintained in a natural condition; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the grey seal population. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000204	Grey seal <i>Halichoerus grypus</i> [1364]
	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Lambay Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and 		Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 		
	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour seal in Lambay Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; Breeding behaviour - The breeding sites should be maintained in a natural condition; Moulting behaviour - The moult haul-out sites should be maintained in natural condition; Resting behaviour - The resting haul-out sites should be maintained in a natural condition; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour seal population. 		Harbour seal <i>Phoca vitulina</i> [1365]
North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC [UK0030398]	<p>To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour Porpoise in UK waters.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> In the context of natural change, this will be achieved by ensuring that: harbour porpoise is a viable component of the site - The intent of this objective is to minimise the risk of injury and killing or other factors that could restrict the survivability and reproductive potential of harbour porpoise using the site; There is no significant disturbance of the species - operations within or affecting the site should be managed to ensure that the animals' potential usage of the site is maintained; and The condition of supporting habitats and processes, and the availability of prey is maintained - The maintenance of supporting habitats and processes contributes to ensuring that prey is maintained within the site and is available to harbour porpoises using the site. 	https://hub.jncc.gov.uk/assets/f4c19257-2341-46b3-8e29-49665cd8f3d2#NorthAnglesey-Conservation-Advice.pdf	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
River Boyne and River Blackwater SAC [IE002299]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Atlantic Salmon (<i>Salmo salar</i>) in River Boyne and River Blackwater SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution: extent of anadromy - 100% of river channels down to second order accessible from estuary; Adult spawning fish - Conservation limit (CL) for each system consistently exceeded; Salmon fry abundance - Maintain or exceed 0+ fry mean catchment-wide abundance threshold value. Currently set at 17 salmon fry/5 minutes sampling; Out-migrating smolt abundance - No significant decline; Number and distribution of redds - No decline in number and distribution of spawning redds due to anthropogenic causes; and Water quality - At least Q4 at all sites sampled by Environmental Protection Agency (EPA). 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002299	Salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> [1106]
Blackwater Bank SAC [IE002953]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Blackwater Bank SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002953	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
West Wales Marine / Gorllewin Cymru Forol SAC [UK0030397]	<p>To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour Porpoise in UK waters.</p> <p>In the context of natural change, this will be achieved by ensuring that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harbour porpoise is a viable component of the site - The intent of this objective is to minimise the risk of injury and killing or other factors that could restrict the survivability and reproductive potential of harbour porpoise using the site; There is no significant disturbance of the species - operations within or affecting the site should be managed to ensure that the animals' potential usage of the site is maintained; and The condition of supporting habitats and processes, and the availability of prey is maintained - The maintenance of supporting habitats and processes contributes to ensuring that prey is maintained within the site and is available to harbour porpoises using the site. 	https://jncc.gov.uk/our-work/west-wales-marine-mpa/	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]

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Pen Llyn a'r Sarnau SAC / Llyn Peninsula and the Sarnau SAC [UK0013117]	<p>To achieve favourable conservation status all the following, subject to natural processes, need to be fulfilled and maintained in the long-term. If these objectives are not met restoration measures will be needed to achieve favourable conservation status.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Populations – The population is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitat. Important elements include: population size; structure, production; and condition of the species within the site. Range – The species population within the site is such that the natural range of the population is not being reduced or likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future; Supporting habitats and species – The presence, abundance, condition and diversity of habitats and species required to support this species is such that the distribution, abundance and populations dynamics of the species within the site and population beyond the site is stable or increasing. Important considerations include; distribution; extent; structure; function and quality of habitat; and prey availability and quality. Restoration and recovery – As part of this objective it should be noted that for the bottlenose dolphin and otter, populations should be increasing. 	https://naturalresources.wales/media/688001/eng-pen-llyn-ar-sarnau-reg-37-report-2018.pdf	<p>Grey seal <i>Halichoerus grypus</i> [1364]</p> <p>Bottlenose dolphin <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> [1349]</p>
Slaney River Valley SAC [IE000781]	The status of the freshwater pearl mussel (<i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i>) as a qualifying Annex II species for the Slaney River Valley SAC is currently under review. The outcome of this review will determine whether a site-specific conservation objective is set for this species	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000781	Freshwater peal mussel <i>Margaritifera margaritifera</i> [1029]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Sea lamprey in the Slaney River Valley SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution: extent of anadromy - Greater than 75% of main stem length of rivers accessible from estuary; Population structure of juveniles - At least three age/size groups present; Juvenile density in fine sediment - Juvenile density at least 1/m²; Extent and distribution of spawning habitat - No decline in extent and distribution of spawning beds; and Availability of juvenile habitat - More than 50% of sample sites positive. 		Sea lamprey <i>Petromyzon marinus</i> [1095]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Twaite shad in the Slaney River Valley SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution: extent of anadromy - Greater than 75% of main stem length of rivers accessible from estuary; Population structure: age classes - More than one age class present; Extent and distribution of spawning habitat - No decline in extent and distribution of spawning habitats; Water quality: oxygen levels - No lower than 5 mg/l; and Spawning habitat quality: Filamentous algae; macrophytes; sediment - Maintain stable gravel substrate with very little fine material, free of filamentous algal (macroalgae) growth and macrophyte (rooted higher plants) growth. 		Twaite shad <i>Alosa fallax fallax</i> [1103]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Salmon in the Slaney River Valley SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Distribution: extent of anadromy - 100% of river channels down to second order accessible from estuary; Adult spawning fish - Conservation limit (CL) for each system consistently exceeded; Salmon fry abundance - Maintain or exceed 0+ fry mean catchment-wide abundance threshold value. Currently set at 17 salmon fry/5 minutes sampling; Out-migrating smolt abundance - No significant decline; Number and distribution of redds - No decline in number and distribution of spawning redds due to anthropogenic causes; and Water quality - At least Q4 at all sites sampled by EPA. 		Atlantic salmon <i>Salmo salar</i> [1106]

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North Channel SAC [UK0030399]	To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in UK waters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harbour porpoise is a viable component of the site - The intent of this objective is to minimise the risk of injury and killing or other factors that could restrict the survivability and reproductive potential of harbour porpoise using the site; There is no significant disturbance of the species - Operations within or affecting the site should be managed to ensure that the animals' potential usage of the site is maintained; and The condition of supporting habitats and processes, and the availability of prey is maintained - The maintenance of supporting habitats and processes contributes to ensuring that prey is maintained within the site and is available to harbour porpoises using the site. 	https://jncc.gov.uk/our-work/north-channel-mpa/	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Carnsore Point SAC [IE0002269]	To maintain the Favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Carnsore Point SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the Harbour Porpoise community at the site 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002269	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Cardigan Bay SAC [UK0012712]	To achieve favourable conservation status all the following, subject to natural processes, need to be fulfilled and maintained in the long-term. If these objectives are not met restoration measures will be needed to achieve favourable conservation status. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Populations - The population is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitat. Important elements include population size, structure, production; and condition of the species within the site. Range - The species population within the site is such that the natural range of the population is not being reduced or likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future Supporting habitats and species - The presence, abundance, condition and diversity of habitats and species required to support this species is such that the distribution, abundance and populations dynamics of the species within the site and population beyond the site is stable or increasing. Important considerations include; Distribution, extent, structure, function and quality of habitat, and prey availability and quality. Restoration and recovery - As part of this objective it should be noted that for the bottlenose dolphin and otter, populations should be increasing. 	https://naturalresources.wales/media/687993/eng-cardigan-bay-reg-37-report-2018.pdf	Bottlenose dolphin <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> [1349]
Hook Head SAC [IE0000764]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Hook Head SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000764	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of bottlenose dolphin in Hook Head SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the bottlenose dolphin population at the site. 		Bottlenose dolphin <i>Tursiops truncatus</i> [1349]
The Bristol Channel Approaches SAC [UK0030396]	To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in UK waters: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Harbour porpoise is a viable component of the site - The intent of this objective is to minimise the risk of injury and killing or other factors that could restrict the survivability and reproductive potential of harbour porpoise using the site; There is no significant disturbance of the species - Operations within or affecting the site should be managed to ensure that the animals' potential usage of the site is maintained; and 	https://jncc.gov.uk/our-work/bristol-channel-approaches-mpa/	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QI)s
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The condition of supporting habitats and processes, and the availability of prey is maintained - The maintenance of supporting habitats and processes contributes to ensuring that prey is maintained within the site and is available to harbour porpoises using the site. 		
Bunduff Lough and Machair / Trawalua / Mullaghmore SAC [IE000625]	No conservation objectives available for this feature at this time. Assessment will be based upon the COs of the Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC site with the same qualifying feature that has COs, within the same population community (MU).	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000625	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Kilkieran Bay and Islands SAC [IE0002111]	No conservation objectives available for this feature at this time. Assessment will be based upon the COs of the Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC site with the same qualifying feature that has COs, within the same population community (MU).	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002111	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Inishmore Island SAC [IE0000213]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Inishmore Island SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000213	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
West Connacht Coast SAC [IE002998]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in West Connacht SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002998	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Kenmare River SAC [IE0002158]	No conservation objectives available for this feature at this time. Assessment will be based upon the COs of the Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC site with the same qualifying feature that has COs, within the same population community (MU).	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002158	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC [IE000101]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Roaringwater Bay and Islands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/000101	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Blasket Island SAC [IE002172]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Blasket Islands SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat – Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance – Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002172	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Belgica Mound Province SAC [IE0002327]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of harbour porpoise in Belgica Mound Province SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to suitable habitat - Species range within the site should not be restricted by artificial barriers to site use; and Disturbance - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the harbour porpoise community at the site. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002327	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Wicklow Mountains SAC [IE002122]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Otter in Wicklow Mountains SAC, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in – distribution, extent of terrestrial, marine, freshwater (river, lake and lagoon) habitats, couching sites and holts, fish biomass. No significant increase in barriers to connectivity. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/sac/002122	Otter (<i>Lutra lutra</i>) [1355]

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Nord Bretagne DH SAC [FR2502022]	As the site-specific conservation objectives (SSCOs) for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2502022	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Récifs et landes de la Hague SAC [FR2500084]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2500084	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Côte de Granit Rose-Sept-Iles SAC [FR5300009]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300009	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Anse de Vauville SAC [FR2502019].	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2502019	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Mers Celtiques-Talus du golfe de Gascogne SAC [FR5302015]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5302015	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Tregor Goëlo SAC [FR5300010].	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other UK sites with the same QIs, for example, North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC and West Wales Marine/ Gorllewin Cymru Forol. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300010	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Banc et récifs de Surtainville SAC [FR2502018]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2502018	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Baie de Morlaix SAC [FR5300015]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300015	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Ouessant-Molène SAC [FR5300018]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300018	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Cap d'Erquy-Cap Frehel SAC [FR5300011]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300011	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]

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	SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.		
Chausey SAC [FR2500079]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2500079	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Abers – Côtes des Légendes [FR5300017]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300017	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Côtes de Crozon SAC [FR5302006]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5302006	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Baie de Saint-Brieuc – Est SAC [FR5300066]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300066	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Chaussée de Sein SAC [FR5302007]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5302007	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Baie de Lanceloux, Baie de l'Arguenon, Archipel de Saint Malo et Dinard [FR5300012]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300012	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Baie du Mont Saint-Michel SAC [FR2500077]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR2500077	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]
Estuaire de la Rance SAC [FR5300061]	As SSCOs for this site are unavailable, it is assumed that the COs are similar to other Irish and UK sites with the same QIs, for example, Rockabill to Dalkey Island SAC and North Anglesey Marine / Gogledd Môn Forol SAC. The overall SSCO is as follows: To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained and that it makes the best possible contribution to maintaining Favourable Conservation Status (FCS) for harbour porpoise in EU waters.	https://eunis.eea.europa.eu/sites/FR5300061	Harbour porpoise <i>Phocoena phocoena</i> [1351]

Table 2 SPAs and their Qualifying Interest considered in this NIS where Likely Significant Effect could not be excluded at the screening stage.

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QI)s
South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA [IE004024]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Long term population trend stable or increasing No significant decrease in the range, timing or intensity of use of areas by the SI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004024	Light-bellied brent goose [A046] Oystercatcher [A130] Ringed plover [A137] Knot [A143] Dunlin [A149] Redshank [A162] Black headed gull [A179]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Roseate Tern in South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in individuals of passage population. No significant decline in number, location or area of roosting areas. No significant decline in the prey biomass available. No significant increase in barriers to connectivity. Disturbance at roosting site - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the numbers of roseate tern among the post-breeding aggregation of terns. 		Roseate tern [A192]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Common Tern in South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Breeding population abundance: No significant decline in number of apparently occupied nests (AONs). No significant decline in mean number of fledged young per breeding pair. Passage population: No significant decline in number of individuals. Distribution: No significant decline in number, location or area of breeding colonies. No significant decline in number, location or area of roosting areas. No significant decline in the prey biomass available. No significant increase in barriers to connectivity. Disturbance at breeding site - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the breeding common tern population. Disturbance at roosting site - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the numbers of common tern among the post-breeding aggregation of terns. 		Common tern [A193]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Arctic Tern in South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in individuals of passage population. No significant decline in number, location or area of roosting areas. No significant decline in the prey biomass available. No significant increase in barriers to connectivity. Disturbance at roosting site - Human activities should occur at levels that do not adversely affect the numbers of arctic tern among the post-breeding aggregation of terns. 		Arctic tern [A194]
	Grey Plover is proposed for removal from the list of Special Conservation Interests for South Dublin Bay and River Tolka Estuary SPA. As a result, a site-specific conservation objective has not been set for this species. Nevertheless, on a precautionary basis grey plover has been assessed using the generalised conservation objectives for other waterbirds for this SPA and those assigned for grey plover designated at other SPAs listed below:		Grey plover [A141]

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QI)s
	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of grey plover, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets (generalised conservation objectives for other waterbirds at South Dublin Bay and River Tolka SPA, and those assigned for grey plover designated at other SPAs (i.e. North Bull Island SPA and Baldoyle Bay SPA)):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term population trend stable or increasing; and No significant decrease in the range, timing or intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 		
Dalkey Island SPA [IE004172]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in Dalkey Islands SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; There is sufficient availability of suitable roosting resources within the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the roost sites; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on the post-breeding and passage population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004172	<p>Common tern [A193] Arctic tern [A194] Roseate tern [A192]</p>
Howth Head Coast SPA [IE004113]	<p>To restore the Favourable conservation condition of Kittiwake in Howth Head Coast SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004113	Kittiwake [A188]
Ireland's Eye SPA [IE004117]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Herring Gull and Kittiwake in Ireland's Eye SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing: Number of AON; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004117	<p>Herring gull [A184] Kittiwake [A188] Cormorant [A017]</p>
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Guillemot and Razorbill in Ireland's Eye SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term SPA population trend is stable or increasing: Individual (IND); 		<p>Guillemot [A199] Razorbill [A200]</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		
Lambay Island SPA [IE004069]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of the Herring gull in Lambay Island SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; The Long term winter population trend is stable or increasing; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population target; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding or wintering sites; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area and availability of suitable roosting habitat to support the population target; There is a sufficient area of utilisable habitat available in ecologically important sites outside the SPA; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004069	Herring gull [A184]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Cormorant in Lambay Island SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; No significant decline in the productivity rate; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		Cormorant [A017]
	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Guillemot, Razorbill, Kittiwake, Lesser black-backed gull and Shag in Lambay Island SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; 		<p>Guillemot [A199] Razorbill [A200] Kittiwake [A188] Lesser black backed gull [A183] Shag [A018]</p>

Site Name	Conservation Objectives	Reference	Qualifying Interests (QI)s
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		
Wicklow Head SPA [IE004127]	<p>To restore the favourable conservation condition of Kittiwake in Wicklow Head SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding site; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004127	Kittiwake [A188]
Skerries Islands SPA [IE004122]	<p>To restore the Favourable conservation condition of Herring Gull and Cormorant in Skerries Islands SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; The productivity rate is sufficient to maintain a stable or increasing population; The long term winter population trend is stable or increasing; There is sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain a stable or increasing population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population target; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on birds at the breeding or wintering sites; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact on breeding population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area and availability of suitable roosting habitat to support the population target; There is a sufficient area of utilisable habitat available in ecologically important sites outside the SPA; and Barriers do not significantly impact the population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004122	Herring gull [A184] Cormorant [A017]
Saltee Islands SPA [IE004002]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Gannet, Guillemot and Razorbill in the Saltee Islands SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in breeding population abundance; No significant decline in productivity rate; No significant decline in distribution; No significant decline in prey biomass available; No significant increase to barrier to connectivity; No significant increase in disturbance at the breeding site; and No significant increase in Disturbance at marine areas immediately adjacent to the colony. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004002	Gannet [A016] Guillemot [A199] Razorbill [A200]
	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Lesser Black-backed Gull and Kittiwake in the Saltee Islands SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in breeding population abundance; 		Lesser black backed gull [A183] Kittiwake [A188]

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in productivity rate; No significant decline in distribution; No significant decline in prey biomass available; No significant increase to barrier to connectivity; and No significant increase in disturbance at the breeding site. 		
Skomer, Skokholm, the Seas off Pembrokeshire SPA [UK9014051]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Manx shearwater and Kittiwake in the Skomer, Skokholm, the Seas off Pembrokeshire SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The size of the population should be stable or increasing, allowing for natural variability, and sustainable in the long term. The distribution of the population should be being maintained, or where appropriate increasing. There should be sufficient habitat, of sufficient quality, to support the population in the long term. Factors affecting the population or its habitat should be under appropriate control 	https://jncc.gov.uk/our-work/skomer-skokholm-and-the-seas-off-pembrokeshire-mpa/	Manx shearwater [A013] Kittiwake [A188]
Grassholm SPA [UK9014041]	<p>The conservation status of a species is the sum of the influences acting on the species that may affect the long-term distribution and abundance of its populations. The conservation status will be taken as 'favourable' when:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> population dynamics data on the species indicate that it is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitats; the natural range of the species is neither being reduced nor is likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future; and there is, and will probably continue to be, a sufficiently large habitat to maintain its populations on a long-term basis." 	https://naturalresources.wales/media/674134/Grassholm%20SPA%20Management%20Plan%2021%5B1%5D.4.08%20(English).pdf	Gannet [A016]
Helvick Head and Ballquin SPA [IE00665]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Kittiwake in the Helvick Head and Ballquin SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> population dynamics data on the species concerned indicate that it is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitats, and the natural range of the species is neither being reduced nor is likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future, and there is, and will probably continue to be, a sufficiently large habitat to maintain its populations on a long-term basis. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004192	Kittiwake [A188]
Old Head of Kinsale SPA [IE004021]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of kittiwake in the Old Head of Kinsale SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> population dynamics data on the species concerned indicate that it is maintaining itself on a long-term basis as a viable component of its natural habitats, and the natural range of the species is neither being reduced nor is likely to be reduced for the foreseeable future, and there is, and will probably continue to be, a sufficiently large habitat to maintain its populations on a long-term basis. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004021	Kittiwake [A188]
Ailsa Craig SPA [UK9003091]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of kittiwake and gannet in the Ailsa Craig SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population of the species as a viable component of the site Distribution of the species within site Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species No significant disturbance of the species 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8463	Kittiwake [A188] Gannet [A016]

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North-west Irish Sea SPA [IE004236]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the non-breeding QI species in the North-west Irish Sea SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in individuals of non-breeding population size; There is a sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; The intensity, frequency, timing and duration of disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population size and spatial distribution; The number, location, shape and area of barriers to connectivity and site use do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004236	Red-throated diver [A001] Great northern diver [A003] Common scoter [A065] Great black-backed gull [A187] Common gull [A182] Black-headed gull [A179] Little gull [A177]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the guillemot and razorbill in the North-west Irish Sea SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in population size Sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population; Sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; The intensity, frequency, timing and duration of disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population size and spatial distribution; and The number, location, shape and area of barriers do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		Guillemot [A199] Razorbill [A200]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the kittiwake, herring gull, fulmar, cormorant and shag in the North-west Irish Sea SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term SPA population trend is stable or increasing; Sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population; Sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; The intensity, frequency, timing and duration of disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population size and spatial distribution; and The number, location, shape and area of barriers do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		Kittiwake [A188] Herring gull [A184] Fulmar [A009] Cormorant [A017] Shag [A018]
	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the tern species and Manx shearwater in the North-west Irish Sea SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in breeding population size Sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population; Sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; The intensity, frequency, timing and duration of disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population size and spatial distribution; and The number, location, shape and area of barriers do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		Little tern [A195] Roseate tern [A192] Common tern [A193] Arctic tern [A194] Manx shearwater [A013]

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	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the lesser black-backed gull in the North-west Irish Sea SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> No significant decline in breeding population size Sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population; Sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; The intensity, frequency, timing and duration of disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population size and spatial distribution; and The number, location, shape and area of barriers do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA. 		Lesser black-backed gull [A183]
North Bull Island SPA [IE004006]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the North Bull Island SPA , which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and No significant decrease in the range, timing or intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004006	<p>Curlew [A160] Dunlin [A149] Grey plover [A141] Knot [A143] Light-bellied brent goose [A046] Oystercatcher [A130] Pintail [A054] Redshank [A162] Shelduck [A048] Shoveler [A056] Teal [A052] Turnstone [A169] Black-headed gull [A179]</p>
The Murrough SPA [IE004186]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in The Murrough SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long-term SPA non-breeding population trend is stable or increasing; There is a sufficient number of locations, area, and availability (in terms of timing and intensity of use) of suitable habitat to support the population target; Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact the achievement of targets for population trend and spatial distribution; Barriers do not significantly impact the site population's access to the SPA or other ecologically important sites outside the SPA; There is a sufficient number of locations, area of suitable habitat and available forage biomass to support the population target; and There is a sufficient number of locations, area and availability of suitable roosting habitat to support the population target. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004186	<p>Red-throated diver [A001] Herring gull [A184] Black-headed gull [A179] Little tern [A195] Light-bellied brent goose [A046] Teal [A052] Wigeon [A050]</p>
Baldoyle Bay SPA [IE0004016]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the Baldoyle Bay SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and No significant decrease in the range, timing and intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004016	<p>Grey plover [A141] Light-bellied brent goose [A046] Ringed plover [A137] Shelduck [A048]</p>
Ballycotton Bay SPA [IE004022]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the Ballycotton Bay SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p>	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004022	<p>Black-tailed godwit [A156] Curlew [A160] Grey plover [A141]</p>

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and No significant decrease in the range, timing and intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 		Lapwing [A142] Ringed plover [A137] Teal [A052] Turnstone [A169]
Dungarvan Harbour SPA [IE004032]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the Dungarvan Harbour SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and There should be no significant decrease in the numbers or range of areas used by waterbird species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004032	Black-tailed godwit[A156] Curlew [A160] Dunlin [A149] Great crested grebe [A005] Grey plover [A141] Knot [A143] Lapwing [A142] Light-bellied brent goose [A046] Oystercatcher [A130] Red-breasted merganser [A069] Redshank [A162] Shelduck [A048] Turnstone [A169]
Ballymacoda Bay SPA [IE004023]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the Ballymacoda Bay SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and There should be no significant decrease in the range, timing or intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004023	Black-tailed godwit[A156] Curlew [A160] Dunlin [A149] Grey plover [A141] Lapwing [A142] Redshank [A162] Ringed plover [A137] Teal [A052] Turnstone [A169] Wigeon [A050]
Blackwater Estuary SPA [IE004028]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of the QI species in the Blackwater Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The long term population trend stable or increasing; and There should be no significant decrease in the range, timing or intensity of use of areas by QI species, other than that occurring from natural patterns of variation. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004028	Black-tailed godwit[A156] Curlew [A160] Dunlin [A149] Lapwing [A142] Redshank [A162] Wigeon [A050]
Wicklow Mountains SPA [IE002122]	To maintain the favourable conservation condition of Merlin in the Wicklow Mountains SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The breeding population is increasing/stable; The productivity rate is sufficient to meet the population size target; Sufficient availability of suitable nesting sites throughout the SPA to maintain the population; Sufficient availability of suitable foraging habitat across the SPA to support targets relating to population size, productivity rate and distribution; and Disturbance occurs at levels that do not significantly impact upon the breeding population. 	https://www.npws.ie/protected-sites/spa/004040	Merlin [A098]

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Ribble and Alt Estuaries SPA [UK9005103]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of lesser black-backed gull in the Ribble and Alt Estuaries SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extent and distribution of the habitats of the qualifying features; The structure and function of the habitats of the qualifying features; The supporting processes on which the habitats of the qualifying features rely; The population of each of the qualifying features; and The distribution of the qualifying features within the site. 	https://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/publication/4868920422957056	Lesser black-backed gull [A183]
Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA [UK9020326]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of lesser black-backed gull and herring gull in the Morecambe Bay and Duddon Estuary SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extent and distribution of the habitats of the qualifying features; The structure and function of the habitats of the qualifying features; The supporting processes on which the habitats of the qualifying features rely; The population of each of the qualifying features; and, The distribution of the qualifying features within the site. 	https://publications.naturalengland.org.uk/publication/6242841537806336	Herring gull [A184] Lesser black-backed gull [A183]
Rathlin Island SPA [UK9020011]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of kittiwake, guillemot and razorbill in the Rathlin Island SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To maintain or enhance the population of the qualifying species Fledging success sufficient to maintain or enhance population To maintain or enhance the range of habitats utilised by the qualifying species To ensure that the integrity of the site is maintained; To ensure there is no significant disturbance of the species; and To ensure that the following are maintained in the long term: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population of the species as a viable component of the site; Distribution of the species within site; Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; and Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species. 	https://www.daera-ni.gov.uk/publications/rathlin-spa-guidance-and-literature	Kittiwake[A188] Guillemot[A199] Razorbill [A200]
North Colonsay and Western Cliffs SPA [UK9003171]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of kittiwake and guillemot in the North Colonsay and Western Cliffs SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population of the species as a viable component of the site; Distribution of the species within site; Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8555	Guillemot[A199] Kittiwake[A188]
Isles of Scilly SPA [UK9020288]	<p>The objectives are to ensure that, subject to natural change, the integrity of the site is maintained or restored as appropriate, and that the site contributes to achieving the aims of the Wild Birds Directive, by maintaining or restoring:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> The extent and distribution of the habitats of the qualifying features; The structure and function of the habitats of the qualifying features; The supporting processes on which the habitats of the qualifying features rely; The populations of each of the qualifying features; and The distribution of qualifying features within the site. 	https://designatedsites.naturalengland.org.uk/Marine/MarineSiteDetail.aspx?SiteCode=UK9020288&SiteName=scilly&SiteNameDisplay=Isles%20of%20Scilly%20SPA&countyCode=&responsiblePerson=&SeaArea=&IFCAArea=&NumMarineSeasonality=4&HasCA=1#h1co	Lesser black-backed gull [A183] Great black-backed gull [A187]
Mingulay and Berneray SPA [UK9001121]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of guillemot and razorbill in the Mingulay and Berneray Cliffs SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Population of the species as a viable component of the site; 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8545	Guillemot[A199] Razorbill [A200]

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 		
Shiant Isles SPA [UK900104]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of razorbill in the Shiant Isles SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8575	Razorbill [A200]
St Kilda SPA [UK9001031]	<p>To ensure that the qualifying features of St Kilda SPA and the Seas off St Kilda SPA are in favourable condition and make an appropriate contribution to achieving Favourable Conservation Status.</p> <p>To ensure that the integrity of St Kilda SPA and the Seas off St Kilda SPA is restored in the context of environmental changes by meeting objectives 2a, 2b and 2c for each qualifying feature:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ 2a. The populations of qualifying features are viable components of St Kilda SPA and Seas off St Kilda SPA. ▪ 2b. The distributions of the qualifying features throughout St Kilda SPA and Seas off St Kilda SPA are maintained by avoiding significant disturbance of the species. ▪ 2c. The supporting habitats and processes relevant to qualifying features and their prey/food resources are maintained, or where appropriate restored, at St Kilda SPA and/or Seas off St Kilda SPA. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8580	Gannet [A016] Guillemot[A199]
Flannan Isle SPA [UK9001021]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of guillemot in the Flannan Isle SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8502	Guillemot[A199]
Handa SPA [UK9001241]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of guillemot and razorbill in the Handa SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8511	Guillemot[A199] Razorbill [A200]
Cape Wrath SPA [UK9001231]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of guillemot, razorbill and kittiwake in the Cape Wrath SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8481	Guillemot[A199] Razorbill [A200] Kittiwake[A188]
Sule Skerry and Sule Stack SPA [UK9002181]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of guillemot and gannet in the Sule Skerry and Sule Stack SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8581	Gannet [A016] Guillemot[A199]

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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 		
North Rona and Sula Sgeir SPA [UK9001011]	<p>To maintain the favourable conservation condition of gannet in the North Rona and Sula Sgeir SPA, which is defined by the following list of attributes and targets:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Population of the species as a viable component of the site; ▪ Distribution of the species within site; ▪ Distribution and extent of habitats supporting the species; ▪ Structure, function and supporting processes of habitats supporting the species; and ▪ No significant disturbance of the species. 	https://sitelink.nature.scot/site/8558	Gannet [A016]



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