# **Dogs Head Sandbanks**

Recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)





## Fact file

The Dogs Head Sandbanks are located approximately 2.6km offshore from Lincolnshire Wildlife Trust's Gibraltar Point National Nature Reserve.

Proposed for protection of the intertidal features, including sand and muddy sand, this is a site of high importance to many species of marine life. The sand itself is teeming with wildlife from buried cockles and polychaete worms to brown shrimps, which use the area as both a spawning and nursery ground. Both grey and common seals use the area regularly to haul out and take a rest.

The sandbanks also provide an important foraging, roosting and loafing site for many species of seabird, including gulls, common scoters, eiders, terns and cormorants.

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### Location



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### **Recommended Marine Conservation Zones**



Dogs Head Sandbanks 12.31km<sup>2</sup>

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### Help us secure Marine Conservation Zones

The UK's seas have the potential to be some of the most wildlife-rich on Earth, supporting a huge range of habitats and species from the tiniest plankton to marine giants like the basking shark. But only if we act now to secure the seas' protection.127 Marine Conservation Zones have been recommended to the Government by stakeholders, to provide our seas with protection that they need and put them back on the path to recovery. We need all 127 to be designated by Government.

Please support our campaign to secure these 127 recommended Marine Conservation Zones here in England and for further protection across the rest of the UK.

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- Encourage your friends and family to support a MCZ or sign our petition for protection for our marine environment at wildlifetrusts.org/petitionfish
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"We are in the midst of the most crucial period in history for the UK's marine life. We have the opportunity to turn an environment filled with ravaged habitats, depleted fish stocks and struggling species into Living Seas pulsating with life, supporting livelihoods, continuing to be a source of joy and wonder to us all."

Simon King OBE, President The Wildlife Trusts

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