Lincs Belt

Recommended Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ)





Fact file

Located along the length of the Lincolnshire coast, this area is characterised by coarse and mixed sediment, sand, peat and clay. Patches of ross worm and subtidal chalk are also found here.

Life found on both the seabed and in the water column is extremely rich and characterised by brown shrimps, bristleworms and dense mats of hydroids and bryozoans such as hornwrack - often mistaken for seaweed. Important spawning and nursery grounds are found here for fish such as sprat, lesser pipefish, lemon sole, plaice and herring. Home to a key UK grey seal breeding ground, which annually sees 1,300 pups born, and a nationally important colony of little terns, Lincs Belt is a real wildlife gem.

Support this MCZ today!

Location



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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.

- Find out about your local MCZs and how you can support them.
 wildlifetrusts.org/MCZs & wildlifetrusts.org/MCZfriends
- Encourage your friends and family to support a MCZ or sign our petition for protection for our marine environment at wildlifetrusts.org/petitionfish
- You can also send us any information or sightings you may have of this MCZ to marine@wildlifetrusts.org



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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