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NEW MANAGEMENT FRAMEWORK FOR FISHING

Members of KEIFCA will be discussing the impact of the new UK-EU fishing arrangements at their meeting on 29 January. For more information [click here](#)

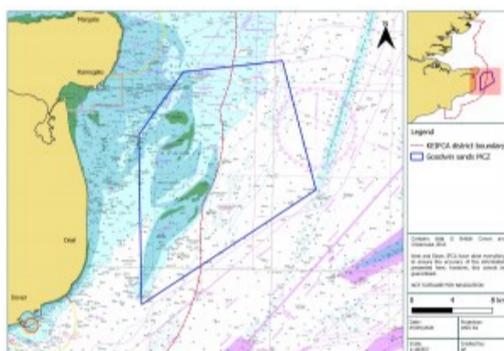


TRANCHE 3 MARINE CONSERVATION ZONES

In early summer 2019 the third and final round of Marine Conservation Zone (MCZ) designations occurred. This meant the creation of two new MCZs: Goodwin Sands MCZ and Swanscombe MCZ; along with the addition of new features in Dover to Deal MCZ and the Thanet Coast MCZ.

Members of KEIFCA will discuss the assessment and management process of these sites and consider how to engage with all stakeholders to achieve this at their meeting on 29 January.

[Click here](#) for more information



FISHING AFTER 1 JANUARY 2021



Marine
Management
Organisation

The Marine Management Organisation has updated the 'one stop shop' guide for commercial fishers, merchants and exporters. This covers the administrative side of the fishing industry – fishing, landing, exporting, importing, transportation, food hygiene and regulatory controls. For more information go to <https://www.gov.uk/government/news/new-guidance-published-to-support-commercial-fishers-merchants-and-exporters-from-1-january-2021>



THAMES ESTUARY PARTNERSHIP

The Thames Estuary Partnership is an independent charity that builds understanding and appreciation of one of the world's most famous rivers. For information on the work they undertake visit their website at <https://www.thamesestuarypartnership.org/>



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SEA ANGLING DIARY

The Sea Angling Diary Project uses information provided to them by UK sea anglers to help improve the sustainable management of marine stocks and demonstrate the value of sea angling. This project uses the data supplied by recreational anglers on their activity and catches to assist better informed decision making.

For more information on how to take part go to <https://www.seaangling.org/>



Using their launch Alert IV and RIB Sentinel, the Essex police marine unit patrols 562 miles of coastline from the Thames at Crayford Ness to the River Stour at Manningtree. For more information on the work they do and how to contact them go to <https://www.essex.police.uk/marine>



COMPLIANCE WITH KENT & ESSEX BYELAWS

We have developed a number of stickers and information sheets that can be used by both commercial and recreational fishermen to check they are landing sizeable fish. If you would like one of these free stickers/information sheets then please ring us or email info@kentandessex-ifca.gov.uk and we will be pleased to send them to you.

If you see anything that concerns you regarding a fishing activity in our district then ring us on 01843 585310.

Key Minimum Sizes

All undersized marine organisms shall be returned immediately to the sea.
*Recreational limits apply and can change. Please check online for updates.

Bass 42cm*	Cod 35cm
Whiting 27cm	Plaice 27cm
Sole 24cm	Mullet 30cm
N. Sea Mackerel 30cm	Skates and Rays 40cm
Other Mackerel 20cm	

For further information on additional legislation and species visit:
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Cleaner Thames Campaign

**Do the Right Thing!
 Bin it, for a
 Cleaner Thames**

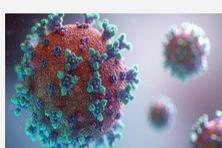
Kent & Essex IFCA are pleased to support the Port of London Authority's Cleaner Thames Campaign. For more details on this campaign go to <http://www.pla.co.uk/cleaner-thames/>

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**Maritime &
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Agency**

SAFETY AT SEA



The Maritime and Coastguard Agency have published guidance on how to operate safely at sea during the Covid-19 crisis.

<https://www.gov.uk/government/news/seafarer-coronavirus-information>

For information on safety at sea go to <https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/safety-of-fishing-vessels-and-crew>



MEDWAY SWALE ESTUARY PARTERSHIP

Established in 2000, their work is centred around the understanding, conservation and promotion of the estuary's natural and cultural heritage. In December 2020 MSEP announced that Defra's recent Green Recovery Challenge Fund had awarded £1,884,900 for landscape wide restoration works at Seasalter Levels, Wraik Hill Local Nature Reserve (near Whitstable) and Blean Woods. The work at Seasalter would involve the large scale restoration of 228ha of wetland by installing new hydrological features and grazing infrastructure. For more information on the work of MSEP go to <https://msep.org.uk/>

The next meeting of the Authority will take place on:

Friday 29 January 2021

This meeting will be held virtually via Zoom at 10am.

Among the items up for discussion are:

- [Whelk Permit Fishery](#)
- [Draft Annual Plan 2021/22](#)
- [Draft Budget 2021/22](#)

Please click [here](#) to see our website for the full agenda and reports.

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