

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
Do you support the development of an MPA network in Scotland's Seas?	Yes
What do you think about the location and size of the proposed South Arran MPA ?	I agree with the location and designation of the possible South Arran MPA. I would prefer if it was extended to all around the Isle of Arran. Seabirds should be included as "marine priority features".
What should the management measures be for the proposed South Arran MPA?	I support COAST's proposed Management options. All bottom towed trawls, dredgers and hydraulic gear should be excluded from the entire proposed MPA. Well managed Creeling, Shellfish diving, and Angling Should be allowed.
What social and economic effects do you think the South Arran MPA will have?	<p>As a landscape consultant working throughout the Scotland it is apparent that Tourism is a major employer and creates employment opportunities in a variety of more isolated rural communities. The draw of the opportunities to watch the wildlife and enjoy the outdoors is apparent on Arran.</p> <p>I have been involved with a number of new developments which are being created to accommodate the growing numbers of Tourists.</p> <p>'Tourism' is a major employer in Arran and the setting up of the South Arran MPA can only be seen to be of benefit to the island. Short term unsustainable fishing will further degrade the sealife and in the longer term will leave a poorer place for the Tourists to visit.</p>
Other Comments	<p>I have benefited from landscape design opportunities from various 'Tourist' driven project throughout Scotland, including Arran.</p> <p>I have noted the growing numbers of European visitors who are now visiting Scotland and helping with the local economies in a variety of isolated rural communities.</p> <p>Surely this the kind of economic growth reaching the more rural parts of the country should be encouraged by the Scottish Government?</p>
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