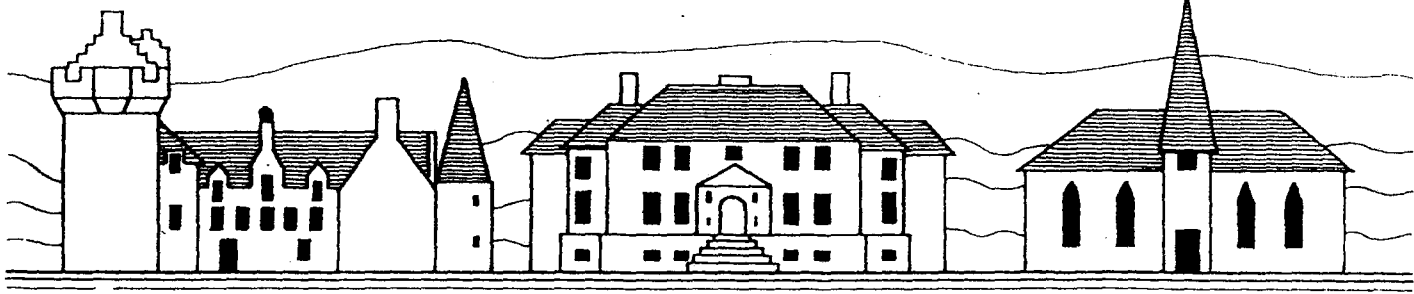


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# Galloway Preservation Society

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Ms Nikki Milne  
Scottish Executive  
Marine Management Division  
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Dear Ms Milne

## SCOTLAND'S FIRST COASTAL & MARINE NATIONAL PARK

I refer to publication relating to consultation for the above.

As joint president of the Galloway Preservation Society the questionnaire is enclosed and I hope it is not too late for submitting this. The Society has a special interest in the Solway Coast and the Rhinns of Galloway on the Irish Sea south of the Ayrshire Coast.

The proposal for a coastal and marine National Park was discussed by the committee who represent our membership of about 200 mostly resident in the Galloway area. The GPS is affiliated to the Scottish Civic Trust.

The form is sent in the name of our chairman William Craig, Norchard, Harbour Road, Wigtown, DG8 9EL, and further communications should be sent to him.

Yours sincerely

ANTONY WOLFFE  
JOINT PRESIDENT

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We are seeking your views on proposals to establish Scotland's first Coastal and Marine National Park. Please take a few moments to complete this short questionnaire. (Please tick more than one box if you have more than one answer to each question.)

1. What benefits do you think a Coastal and Marine National Park could bring?

- Difficult to assess benefits —*
- |                                           |                          |                                                |                          |
|-------------------------------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------------------|--------------------------|
| Better planning of the coast and sea      | <input type="checkbox"/> | Understanding of natural and cultural heritage | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Better environmental management           | <input type="checkbox"/> | Increased tourism                              | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Branding of local produce                 | <input type="checkbox"/> | Better tourist attractions                     | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| More profitable local businesses          | <input type="checkbox"/> | New types of tourism businesses                | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Increased business confidence in the area | <input type="checkbox"/> | New types of other businesses                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Better advice to local businesses         | <input type="checkbox"/> | More affordable rural housing                  | <input type="checkbox"/> |
| Others (please state): .....              | <input type="checkbox"/> |                                                |                          |

2. What do you think is the most important factor when selecting the location of Scotland's first Coastal and Marine National Park? (You can order these by preference by writing 1 to indicate most important, 2 for the next most important, 3 for the one after that etc)

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|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Natural heritage                                                                                      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The area has a distinctive character/local identity                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A combination of natural and cultural heritage                                                        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Designation of the area as a National Park would meet the special need of the area | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| How accessible the coast is from nearby land                                                          | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | The area is accessible to most of Scotland's people                                | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| To potential to make a significant contribution to social and economic development of its communities | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Others (please state): <i>Unique features in need of protection.</i>               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |

3. Which area would you like to see designated as Scotland's first Coastal and Marine National Park?

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|-----------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Ardnamurchan, Small Isles and South Skye Coast      | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Shetland             | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| Argyll Islands and coast                            | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Orkney               | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> |
| A combination of the above two                      | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Moray Firth          | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| North Uist, Sound of Harris, Harris and South Lewis | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Firth of Clyde       | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Solway                                              | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | South Uist and Barra | <input type="checkbox"/>            |
| Others (please state): .....                        | <input type="checkbox"/>            |                      |                                     |

Please provide some details about yourself. Only include details that you wish to give. Even if you do not wish to give other information it would help us if you could write in the town, village or city in which you live.

Name: *Wm. Craig*

Your interest: *Protection & Conservation of Galloway*

The organisation that you represent: *Galloway Preservation Society*

Your contact details e.g. address or postcode: *Norched Harbour Rd. Wigtown*

Please write here which town, village or city you live in: *Wigtown DG8 9EL*