

From: Sue Archer
Sent: 04 June 2008 10:50
To: Lamlash Bay Consultation
Subject: No Take Zone and Fisheries Management Area

Follow Up Flag: Follow up

Flag Status: Orange

This email has been received from an external party and has been swept for the presence of computer viruses.

Sirs,

I wish to state my views on the proposed No Take Zone and Fisheries Management Area in Lamlash Bay, Isle of Arran.

I strongly agree with the proposal to establish a Marine Reserve in Lamlash Bay, and feel it should be done as soon as possible.

The setting up of this reserve will have a very positive effect on the environment both within the reserve, and the surrounding areas. Rare Marl needs to be protected from Scallop dredging, the marine life will be given a chance to recover, and there will be beneficial effects on the fishing in surrounding areas as recovery takes place.

I think this reserve should **definitely be made a permanent No Take Zone** and if possible at some point in the future made larger. More of these reserves should urgently be considered around the coasts of Scotland before our coastal waters become fished out deserts. I believe that ultimately these areas protected from fishing will protect our fishing industry.

As a Director of Dyemill Lodges (Arran) Ltd., based in Lamlash (we let out holiday accommodation), I can also state that our organisation fully supports the Reserve. Many of our clients visit Arran to see it's amazing wildlife including the wide variety of sea birds, Seals and Otters seen around our coasts which will all benefit from this reserve.

Regards
Sue Archer
Dyemill House
Lamlash