

<u>Question</u>	<u>Answer</u>
Designation	such a wise move to create a marine protected area south of Arran but whole of arran's coast is desperately needed to be protected. having sea how seabirds dive and swim for great depths and distances underwater, I feel they also need protection.
Management Options	Coast's ideas on what should be allowed seem sensible to me. destroying the delicate sea bed with dredging and other machine intensive operations should be excluded with less damaging fishing and creeling methods permitted.
Socioeconomic Assessment:	our precious seabed is now a virtual graveyard thanks to the insane decision in 1982 to permit dredging from the shore.....meaning whole of firth of clyde having its previously wonderful fishing stocks annihilated and replaced with only crustacean and shellfish. research in other healthier countries shows that healthy fish stocks is a huge boost to tourism and is , of course, wonderful environmentally.
Other Comments	<p>Scottish Government can be proud of leading the world in many areas and now needs to lead once again and not just focus on a few species protection as suggested by SNH but look at the bigger picture and exclude dredging and trawling so that we can be a true fishing nation again.</p> <p>Here is a poem I have written about our destroyed sea.</p> <p>SEA OF SORROW (a lamplash youth's lament)</p> <p>WHERE ARE THE DOLPHINS THAT USED TO PLAY DANCING THROUGH THE WAVES OF LAMLASH BAY WHERE ARE THE FISH THAT USED TO BE SWIMMING IN THE DEPTHS OF A SPARKLING SEA ? WELL LET ME TELL YOU THEY'RE GONE ALL GONE , DYING AND DEAD DREDGED TO DEATH ON A TORN SEABED GONE ALL GONE, THERE NO MORE WITH JUST A GRAVEYARD LEFT ON THE OCEAN FLOOR</p> <p>BUT YOU SAID YOU WOULD HELP WERE YOU EVEN TRYING? YOU SAID YOU WOULD HELP YOU MUST HAVE BEEN LYING IS THIS WHAT YOU MEANT BY 'SAVING OUR ENVIRONMENT ?'</p> <p>FOR STILL THEY DREDGE A DEAD SEABED STILL THEY DREDGE A DEAD SEABED</p>

WELL WE DON'T WANT YOUR SEA OF SORROW
WHAT WE WANT IS A FRESH, NEW TOMORROW
WHAT WE WANT IS SOME GREAT DAY WITH THE
WHALES BACK IN LAMLASH BAY
TO HEAR THEIR SONGS BOOMING THROUGH A SEA
RICH WITH GREAT DIVERSITY

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Organisation

I clean the beaches of plastic bottles and work with the ARRAN ACCESS TRUST on the Coastal Way Working parties to keep the paths around the Arran coast clear for walkers on the Arran Coastal Way.

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