Participants choice: “Planning for climate change”
1.5°C LIMIT
Our House is on Fire!!

There is No Planet B

System Change

Not Climate Change!

Evidence Ignored
Oceans are a global force of nature that form the foundation of the blue planet on which we live. They cover 71% of our planet’s surface and make up 95% of all the space available to life. They are a life-support system for Earth and a global commons that provide us with free goods and services, from the food we eat to the oxygen we breathe.

The oceans also regulate the global climate; they mediate temperature and drive the weather, determining rainfall, droughts, and floods. They are also the world’s largest store of carbon, where an estimated 83% of the global carbon cycle is circulated through marine waters.

www.worldwildlife.org
So what does the **MSP community** do about it?
What *can* we do?

Roll up our sleeves!
Listen to the science!
Get our toolbox out!
Make some waves!

*How?  Where to start?  Make new tools?*

*We can do it!*
Thank you!

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Climate change in MSP - Ireland

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Ireland’s Maritime Area

Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government is the Competent Authority for MSP as well as having responsibility for land planning.

Plan will apply to Ireland’s maritime area, including internal waters (sea area), territorial seas, exclusive economic zone (EEZ) and continental shelf. The maritime area comprises approx. 490,000 km$^2$ and extends from mean high water mark at the coast seaward to in excess of 200 nautical miles in parts.

Plans apply in the maritime area to:
- any policy, programme or plan in relation to development or activity, or proposed development or activity,
- the giving of any consent or approval, or the grant or issue of licences, certificates or other like documents
- regulation of any such development or activity
National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF) Consultation Launch

- The Consultation Draft NMPF was launched on the 12\textsuperscript{th} of November (consultation running until end of February) [www.marineplan.gov.ie](http://www.marineplan.gov.ie)
- + Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) and Appropriate Assessment (AA)
- Finalised Marine Planning Policy Statement launched following summer consultation
Climate change policy approach

The plan supports action on Climate Change in a number of ways:

Adaptation:
• Policies encouraging development to think about the impact of climate change over the whole lifetime of projects e.g. stormier seas in the Atlantic
• Prioritising infrastructure and natural features that support adaptation

Mitigation:
• Articulating targets e.g. 3.5GW of offshore renewable energy by 2030
• Promoting investigation of new renewable energy technologies and supporting infrastructure for low carbon energy

Referencing
• Other plans and strategies e.g. coastal defence, climate action plan
• Future opportunity – Carbon capture and storage
Sensitivity of the receiving environment

Climate Change Policies 3 & 4 (of 5)

3. Proposals that enhance habitats that provide a flood defence or carbon sequestration will be supported.

4. Proposals that may have a significant adverse impact on habitats that provide a flood defence or carbon sequestration ecosystem service must demonstrate that they will, in order of preference:
   a) avoid,
   b) minimise, or
   c) mitigate significant adverse impacts.
Regional Marine Sediments that Store Carbon

Contribution to Carbon Sequestration

An Roinn Tithíochta, Pleanála agus Rialtais Áitiúil

Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government
Approach to mitigating or avoiding impacts

Offshore Renewable Energy Policy 3 (of 11)

Any non-ORE proposals that are in or could affect sites held under a permission or that are subject to an ongoing permitting or consenting process for renewable energy generation (wind, wave or tidal should demonstrate that they will in order of preference: a) avoid, b) minimise, c) mitigate adverse impacts, d) if it is not possible to mitigate significant adverse impacts, proposals should state the case for proceeding.
European Maritime Day 2020 - Cork

- European Maritime Day (14-15 May)
  - Organised jointly by the European Commission, the City of Cork and Our Ocean Wealth Summit, Ireland’s flagship annual event for the marine sector
- Seafest - Ireland’s largest free family-friendly maritime celebration (15 – 17 May)
Thank You

National Marine Planning Framework

OUR SEAS – OUR PLAN