

## Managing the Marine Historic Environment of Wales

### Consultation response form

Please return this form to reach the Welsh Government no later than 3 June 2019.

If you have any questions, please email:

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or telephone: 03000 259096

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**Annex A — Consultation response form**

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	Professional body	
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<b>Q1.</b>	<b>Does part one clearly set out the nature of the marine historic environment and why it is important?</b>			
Agree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither Agree nor Disagree
<p>Subsequent parts use the term 'historic assets'. This isn't specifically defined in the document.</p> <p>There are a number of references to the 2001 UNESCO Convention; does the convention itself set out definitions of the historic environment, and do they differ from those set out here? For example, is there an age requirement to define 'historic'?</p>				

<b>Q2.</b>	<b>Despite the different legislative regimes, does the guidance make it clear that the principles of our approach to the historic environment are seamless between land and sea?</b>			
Agree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither Agree nor Disagree
<p>Generally agree. However, whilst the reference to NRW's Marine Licensing function is welcomed, there may also be additional consents requiring consideration of the historic environment. For example, Local Planning Authority jurisdiction extends down the shore to the low water mark. Therefore intertidal developments (for example, sea defences) may also require planning permissions.</p> <p>Annex 4 could usefully exchange the references to 'Natural Resources Wales' and 'marine licences', with 'consenting authorities' and 'consents' to reflect that Marine Licences are not the only permissions required in the marine area.</p>				

<b>Q3.</b>	<b>Will the decision-making framework for the management of the marine historic environment, as set out in part three, be clear to both applicants and decision makers?</b>			
Agree	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	Disagree	<input type="checkbox"/>	Neither Agree nor Disagree
<p>We have some concerns that the 'Heritage Impact Assessment' section (3.5) directs applicants to the relevant public authority for advice on the scope of such an assessment. Whilst the relevant consenting authority will ultimately determine if such an assessment is required, it would be advisable to direct applicants to engage directly with Cadw, RCAHMW or WAT for specific advice on the content.</p> <p>We also have concerns that the description of the basic stages of heritage impact assessment refers to 'whatever the size and scope of the project is'. This is a little disproportionate, as this assessment may not always be required. We suggest using 'If Heritage Impact Assessment is required, the basic stages of heritage impact assessment are:'</p>				

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We suggest that in the table at page 45, the box stating. ‘To balance the historic environment alongside all other material considerations and reach a decision, with conditions as appropriate’ should substitute ‘balance’ for ‘consider’, as the nature of the decision making is not necessarily a ‘balance’.

<b>Q4.</b>	<b>Is it appropriate to have both scheduling and protected wreck designation as mechanisms to protect significant wreck sites?</b>			
Agree		Disagree		Neither Agree nor Disagree
If not, please explain how you would change them?				
No comments				

<b>Q5.</b>	<b>We would like to know your views on the effects that <i>Managing the Marine Historic Environment of Wales</i> would have on the Welsh language, specifically on opportunities for people to use Welsh and on treating the Welsh language no less favourably than English.</b>			
	<b>What effects do you think there would be? How could positive effects be increased, or negative effects be mitigated?</b>			
No comments				

Additional comments

<b>Q6.</b>	<b>We have asked a number of specific questions. If you have any related issues that we have not specifically addressed, please raise them here.</b>			
<p>In the first paragraph of section 3.4, it states:  “Before granting a licence, Natural Resources Wales must be satisfied that the works are in accordance with the Welsh National Marine Plan.” We suggest adding, “unless relevant considerations indicate otherwise”, and to link to WNMP in a footnote.</p> <p>Annex 2 outlines how to plan a project for divers and archaeologists, noting that non-intrusive techniques include geophysical survey. Where this includes seismic survey, or other sound-emitting techniques, we strongly encourage developers to contact NRW for best practice advice on avoiding impacts to marine mammals and birds.</p>				

## How to respond

Please submit your comments by 3 June 2019 by email or post.

### Email

Please send the consultation form to:

[historicenvironmentleg@gov.wales](mailto:historicenvironmentleg@gov.wales)

[Please include '**Guidance Consultation 4**' in the subject line.]

### Post

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