

Darwin Plus Project DPLUS065: Mapping Falklands and South Georgia coastal margins (Coastal Mapping) for spatial planning.

Project Stakeholder Group (PSG) Terms of Reference

1 Background

Coastal areas are critical to humans and wildlife. Knowledge of these environments is essential to their conservation and management, yet they have been subject to little study regionally. The Falkland Islands have increased pressures from tourism, shipping and oil production. South Georgia has less human impact; however important marine bird and mammal habitats extend around its coastline.

This new project utilises technological and objective-based analyses with mixed resolution satellite imagery, spatial data and local expert knowledge in an integrated probabilistic approach. Coastal habitat maps produced as part of this project will contribute to a baseline dataset for the Falkland Islands and South Georgia, providing a sound basis for planning, decision-making and future monitoring.

2 Purpose

Stakeholder support is essential for the success of the Coastal Mapping project.

One of the primary roles of the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group will be to consider the broad scale coastal habitat maps being developed during the initial stages of the project, and identify/prioritise areas (both from a spatial and temporal perspective) where fine scale habitat mapping should be progressed in the subsequent stages of the project; being able to harness the expertise and knowledge of local stakeholders will be critical to this process.

The Project Stakeholder Group provides a forum to gather, assimilate and disseminate the collective views across the various sectors within the Falkland Islands and South Georgia.

The Project Stakeholder Group also gives the Coastal Mapping project team an opportunity to engage with stakeholders and share the latest information being generated through the project, as well as understand any issues or concerns of the various stakeholders.

The success of the project, particularly in the Falkland Islands, will depend on community support, and through the support of volunteers and landowner assistance at field study sites.

The Project Stakeholder Group is considered an advisory, not decision-making group, for the Coastal Mapping project.

3 Functions

While in no particular order, the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group is established to:

- Contribute local knowledge and expertise to the project to ensure the resulting products are based on best available information and are 'fit for purpose'. Specifically:
 - Identify priority areas where fine scale mapping should be progressed within the Falkland Islands and South Georgia coastal margins (both from a spatial and temporal perspective);
 - Contribute/participate to various workshops planned throughout the lifespan of the Coastal Mapping project.
- Promote transparency and understanding of the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group;

4 Membership & Responsibilities

Current membership and affiliation of the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group is outlined in Annex I.

Members of the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group shall endeavour to represent and liaise with their sector to ensure that everyone's views and concerns are raised, acknowledging that it may not be possible to have all Stakeholders attend every meeting.

Members of the Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group should have a good knowledge of the sector they are representing, and work positively with the other members of the group in order to give information and feedback to the DPLUS065 Project Management Group. They should be willing to speak actively about the interests of their sector in discussions and engage positively in the process, and any workshops associated with it.

5 Operation

The Coastal Mapping Project Stakeholder Group will be chaired by the Coastal Mapping Project Manager.

The Coastal Mapping Stakeholder Group will meet according to the demands of the project, with particular respect to the timetable outlined for the Coastal Mapping project, but will meet every six months as a minimum.

Minutes following each Stakeholder Group meeting will be circulated as soon as reasonably possible after the meeting by the Chair. It is the responsibility of each member to check the minutes for accuracy and raise any concerns as soon as possible with the project team.

Members are expected to actively represent their sectors. This means that each member must endeavour to provide their sector with updates on the work and must

feed in the views of their sector on issues under consideration. Members should give consideration as to how this is best managed for their particular sector.

It is highly desirable that each member (listed in Annex I) attends each meeting so that continuity of membership is maintained. It is recognised that this may not always be possible, so some degree of substitution may be required. Members should be mindful of the impact this can have both on the effectiveness of meetings and their sector's representation: it is the member's responsibility to fully brief substitutes and obtain adequate debriefs in return.

6 Annex I: Membership

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7 Annex II: Version Control

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