Annex B4 Area and occurrence of broad-scale habitats and features of conservation importance (Net Gain)

| Feature | Area of feature | | |
|---|-----------------------------|----------------------|--------------------|
| | Sum of area km ² | Sum of area line km* | No. of occurrences |
| Broad-scale habitats | | | |
| Coastal saltmarshes and saline reedbeds | 1.15 | | |
| High energy circalittoral rock | 0.05 | | |
| High energy infralittoral rock | 84.44 | | |
| High energy intertidal rock | 0.21 | | |
| Intertidal coarse sediment | 0.21 | | |
| Intertidal mixed sediments | 1.81 | | |
| Intertidal mud | 4.31 | | |
| Intertidal sand and muddy sand | 2.14 | | |
| Low energy circalittoral rock | 20.34 | | |
| Low energy intertidal rock | 1.38 | | |
| Moderate energy circalittoral rock | 864.98 | | |
| Moderate energy infralittoral rock | 203.42 | | |
| Moderate energy intertidal rock | 1.38 | | |
| Subtidal biogenic reefs | 0.1 | | |
| Subtidal coarse sediment | 1,879.70 | | |
| Subtidal mixed sediments | 1371.93 | | |
| Subtidal mud | 14.01 | | |
| Subtidal sand | 9,956.48 | | |
| Habitats of conservation importance | | | |
| Blue mussel beds | 4.04 | | 2 |
| Blue mussel beds (IFCA data) | 0.25 | | |
| Estuarine rocky habitats | | | 10 |
| Intertidal underboulder communities | | | 12 |
| Littoral chalk communities | | 6.67 | 1 |
| Littoral chalk communities (modelled) | | 7.36 | |
| Peat and clay exposures | 4.35 | | 12 |
| Peat and clay exposures (Local Knowledge) | 2.75 | | |
| Ross worm (Sabellaria spinulosa) reefs | 16.78 | | 20 |
| Seagrass beds | 0.02 | | |
| Sheltered muddy gravels | | | 2 |
| Sheltered muddy gravels (modelled) | 11.56 | | |
| Subtidal chalk | | | 24 |
| Subtidal chalk (modelled) | 500.73 | | |

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| Feature | Area of feature | | No. of |
|--|-----------------|-------------------------|-------------|
| | Sum of area km² | Sum of area line km* | occurrences |
| Subtidal sands and gravels | 320.32 | | 210 |
| Subtidal sands and gravels (modelled) | 9656.06 | | |
| Tide swept channels | | | |
| Species of conservation importance | • | | |
| Amphipod shrimp (Gitanopsis bispinosa) | | | 1 |
| European eel | 341.98 | | |
| Native oyster (Ostrea edulis) | | | 6 |
| Ocean quahog (Artica islandica) | | | 60 |
| Smelt | 12.24 | | |
| Starlet sea anemone | | | |
| Tentacled lagoon worm (Alkmaria romijni) | | | 2 |
| Undulate ray (Raja undulata) | 385.99 | | |

^{*}Sum of area line relates to the length of the feature recorded within recommended Marine Conservation Zones identified through linear survey.