

Wild Seaweed Harvesting project steering group meeting

6th July 2017- Minutes

Attendees: [REDACTED] (MS), [REDACTED] (SSIA), Alex Adrian (CE), [REDACTED] (HIE), [REDACTED] (HIE).

Apologies: [REDACTED] (MS), [REDACTED] (SNH), [REDACTED] (SNH).

Discussion	Actions
<p>Discussion around the sites proposed by SRSL, the need to find balance between industry need and sites required to confirm the model.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Skye and surrounding Islands was immediately accepted. • Agreement on Colonsay and Oronsay. WS highlighted that previous information from SNH has ruled out Lorne so should be removed from list. • Discussion around the inclusion of Orkney. SRSL would like Orkney to further ground truth their model. It was felt by the steering group that a site in Orkney would be beneficial due to: (i) Future economic development opportunities for region.(ii)Previous industry interest in site for large scale harvesting. (iii)Investigating any east coast influences compared to west. (iv) providing a broad sampling area. • [REDACTED] suggested that the 4th site should be located on the West of Kintyre south of Cara Island. There was consensus from the group on this location. • AA raised the East side of the Hebrides, [REDACTED] informed the group he had previously been advised to avoid the area. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • [REDACTED] to share with SRSL that the chosen locations are <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Skye and Islands 2. Colonsay/Oronsay 3. West of Kintyre + Cara Island 4. Orkney • [REDACTED] to request that SRSL undertake analysis of these locations to identify optimum sites and feedback exact locations to [REDACTED] for steering group final approval. • [REDACTED] to think about locations he would suggest in those regions and feedback to [REDACTED] who will share with SRSL.