

## **NOTICE TO MARINERS**

**No. 10 of 2025**

### **Calf of Man and Chasms Coastlines – Nesting Seabirds**

The Harbours Division of the Department of Infrastructure, wishes to advise mariners that all vessels navigating in the waters adjacent to the Calf of Man, Kitterland, Spanish Head, Black Head and the Chasms/Sugar Loaf (see image below) are requested to regulate speeds to avoid undue disturbance to large rafts of seabirds and to avoid any wash impacting the coastline which can cause seabird eggs and chicks to be washed into the sea. Vessels are requested to regulate speeds in this area from 0001hrs on 1<sup>st</sup> April 2025 until 2359hrs on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2025.

All mariners are reminded that Oystercatcher, Kittiwake, Razorbill, Black Guillemot, Puffin and Shag are all Red-listed on the Isle of Man, and all nest along the coastline of this area, along with Guillemot which are Amber-listed. This coast is the Isle of Man's most important seabird nesting area.

All of these named species are protected in law under Section 1 of the Wildlife Act 1990 (and, where applicable, by the Byelaws of the Manx Museum & National Trust). In addition, Shag have an additional level of special legal protection from all intentional or reckless disturbance under Sections 1(4), 1(5) and Schedule 1 of the Wildlife Act 1990.

Anyone concerned about illegal disturbance to seabirds should contact the Isle of Man Constabulary Wildlife Crime Officers via +44 1624 842208 or [Darran.Loader@iom.police.uk](mailto:Darran.Loader@iom.police.uk) or [James.Sanderson@iom.police.uk](mailto:James.Sanderson@iom.police.uk).



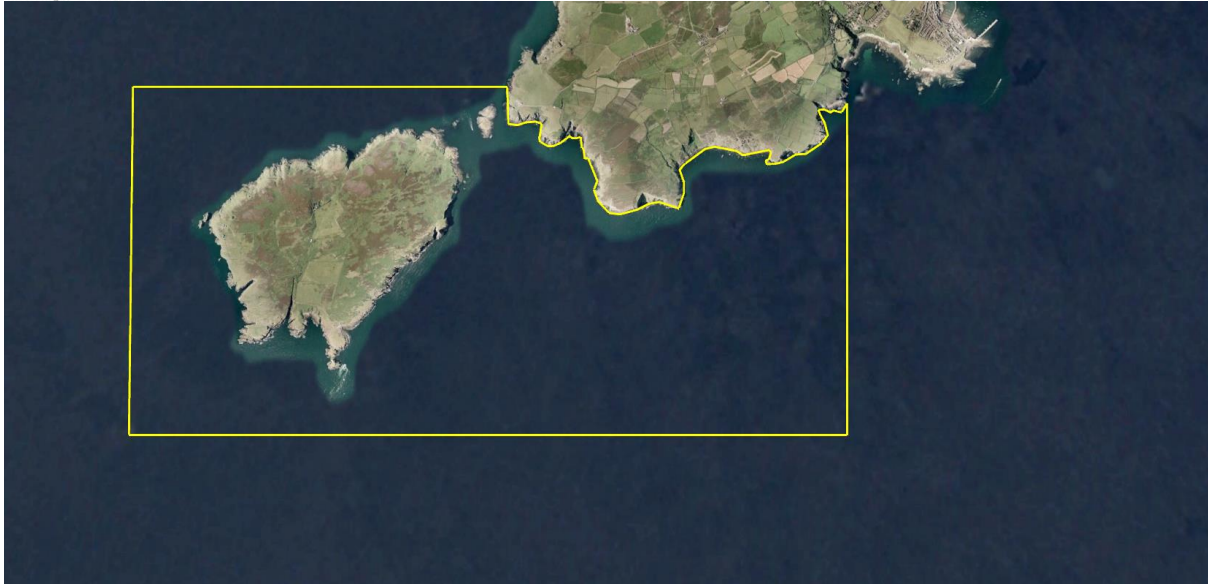
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**For further information please contact:**

**Marine Operations Centre, Douglas Harbour on VHF ch12 or Tel 01624 686628**

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