

# **THE IRISH SEA CENTRE (ISC) LTD: PROGRESS IN 2018 AND PLANS**



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- **Takes a whole ecosystem, all sectors perspective, from a central, non-aligned location – ‘The Irish Sea Centre at the Centre of the Irish Sea’.**
- **Recognizes that the Irish Sea ecosystem provides ecological goods and services to many sectors, including: education; energy; fisheries; nature conservation; recreation; shipping; tourism; and waste disposal/processing.**
- **Encourages all users of the Irish Sea ecosystem to work in concert for its health and productivity.**



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Incorporated on the Isle of Man in July, as a Company Limited by Guarantee, Charity No. 1257:

- (i) To assist the sustainable use and conservation of the Irish Sea ecosystem.*
- (ii) To gather and disseminate for the public good information about the Irish Sea and its ecological goods and services.*
- (iii) For the benefit of scientific advancement and education including providing advice and assistance to resolve challenges and problems which arise from the changing uses and ecology of the marine environment generally and the Irish Sea in particular.”*

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**In October, the Isle of Man Government's Department for Enterprise hosted a meeting between the Irish Sea Centre and the Irish Sea Maritime Forum and a tour of Island-based maritime activities, with representatives from the Department for Environment, Food and Agriculture, the Irish Sea Rim, the Manx Wildlife Trust, UNESCO Biosphere Isle of Man and University College Isle of Man.**









Manx Wildlife Trust

MARKET HOUSE

CITY FRAM







What can you do?  
Manx Plastic Pledge  
Why GOOD TO PL...

# Living Seas

Faarkaghyn bio

We conserve some of the best marine habitats around the Isle of Man and help species to thrive by:

- Working with the Department of Environment, to create marine...
- ...as sustainable...
- ...habitats...
- ...past project...

# **THE IRISH SEA CENTRE (ISC) LTD:**

## **PLANS**



# **THE IRISH SEA CENTRE (ISC) LTD: PLANS IN GENERAL**

- Will develop as a hub for information gathering and exchange, partnerships and networking, public awareness, research, catalyzing and supporting innovation, and hosting meetings, teams and scholars**
- Will work with the Irish Sea Maritime Forum and a wide range of partners, to increase recognition of the value of the Irish Sea ecosystem and engagement of users in managing it well - through education, research, testing and adoption of best practices, conflict avoidance and equitable sharing**

# **THE IRISH SEA CENTRE (ISC) LTD: PLANS**

- Is beginning a Planning Phase which will continue throughout 2019 in order to produce a Business Plan for evolution of its activities and partnerships, including building or sharing bricks-and-mortar facilities on the Isle of Man.**
- A proposal is available on request for any donor(s) who might be interested to support this Planning Phase**
- Is developing a core team and wide network of associates to be a trusted source of information and expertise about the Irish Sea ecosystem**
- Is seeking support for short-term project-based and longer-term activities in pursuit of its objectives**

# **THE IRISH SEA CENTRE (ISC) LTD: SPECIFIC PLANS IN 2019 AND BEYOND**

- **Public meeting to introduce the ISC - February 21 at the Manx Museum, Douglas, supported by the 2018 Year of Our Island Project - all are welcome**
- **The ISC will contribute to meetings in 2019 including:**
  - **The Irish Sea Maritime Forum, Cardiff, January 14-15**
  - **The Coastal Futures Conference, London, January 23-24**
  - **The Natural Capital Investment Conference, London, February 28**
  - **MARE – People and the Sea Conference, Amsterdam, June 24-28**
- **The ISC will work closely with The Irish Sea Maritime Forum to develop collaborative activities, including planning for the next Irish Sea Maritime Forum biennial meeting in 2020/21, which is expected to be held on the Isle of Man.**

