

Metadata Elements

Title *	National Priority Focus Areas
Alternative Title	n/a
Dataset Language *	eng
Abstract *	<p>Natural England's focus areas for each Area Team.</p> <p>The focus areas are typically where Natural England (NE) are targeting more than one delivery programme. So these areas are the key opportunities for Natural England to integrate its delivery to achieve better outcomes.</p> <p>The focus areas are the best picture NE have about where we need to concentrate effort in order to achieve our biodiversity, landscape, access, engagement and other land management objectives. They show where we currently focus more effort.</p> <p>The focus areas are also the best overview we have of future priorities, but this is not yet a perfect picture. We expect this map to evolve.</p> <p>The focus areas are not intended to represent the views or priorities of all the organisations which contribute to natural environment outcomes. However, we have taken account of other Defra partners' delivery programmes and also those of some other key partners. We want to have more discussions with partners and stakeholders to hear whether our local delivery offer makes sense in the context of what we are all jointly trying to achieve.</p> <p>The focus areas are a broad guide as to where we anticipate focusing more effort in future; but it should not be interpreted too precisely. We can adjust boundaries locally as makes sense to our delivery programmes or customers.</p> <p>The focus areas capture the majority of our geographically targeted work and especially where different programmes overlap, but each programme will continue to target some of its delivery elsewhere. We want to focus proportionately more of our resource in focus areas and Nature Improvement Areas (NIAs) over time, to maximise the benefits of our limited resource, and make a big difference in certain places, rather than not enough difference everywhere.</p> <p>This is a strong steer, but not a moratorium on projects that are outside focus areas. Small scale investment outside the focus areas, which act as a catalyst or lever for others' investment, may be legitimate. We have limited this approach to our terrestrial delivery at the moment.</p> <p>However, we have included many coastal stretches and have taken particular account of where the coast abuts a potential marine designation, to encourage integration with our marine work and to take account of the links with offshore processes such as sediment flow.</p> <p>While the current priority for marine work is the site designation process, we would aspire to develop marine spatial priorities over time.</p>
Resource Locator	n/a
Data Format	shp, tab, file geodatabase
Resource Type *	dataset
Unique Resource Identifier	n/a

Classification of Spatial Data & Services

Topic Category *	boundaries
INSPIRE Themes	Administrative units

Spatial Data Service Type	n/a
Coupled Resource	n/a

Keyword

Keyword	Geographic Information
Originating Controlled Vocabulary	Natural England Corporate Vocabulary

Geographic Location

Extent *	England
West Bound Longitude *	-7.05
East Bound Longitude *	2.07
North Bound Longitude *	55.81
South Bound Longitude *	49.86
Vertical Minimum Extent	0m
Vertical Maximum Extent	0m
Spatial Reference System *	British National Grid

Temporal Reference

Temporal Extent - Start Date of Data Capture *	2016-05-05
Temporal Extent - End Date of Data Capture *	2018-06-01
Date of Creation *	2016-05-05
Date of Last Revision *	2018-06-01
Dataset Reference Date *	2016-05-05
Dataset Reference Type *	revision

Quality & Validity

Lineage *	Data and labels were derived from maps of focus areas produced by Area Teams for 'It's In Our Nature'. Some data was created in consultation with local teams. Most boundaries are derived from AONBs, National Parks, SSSIs/SACs, NCAs, and NNR's and is therefore based on Ordnance Survey data.
Spatial Resolution	0
Additional Information Source	n/a
Frequency of Update *	irregular
Equivalent Scale	n/a

Conformity

Specification	n/a
Degree	conformant
Explanation	conformant

Constraints Related To Access & Use

Use Constraints *	No Conditions Apply
	n/a
Limitations on Public Use *	Publically Accessible
Licence*	Open Government Licence
	n/a
Copyright*	© Natural England copyright. Contains Ordnance Survey data © Crown copyright and database right [year]

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