

A presentation for EEDN:

12th October 2023





**Fauna & Flora International
saves endangered species and
habitats around the world. I'm
proud to have been a member
for over 50 years.**



Sir David Attenborough OM FRS

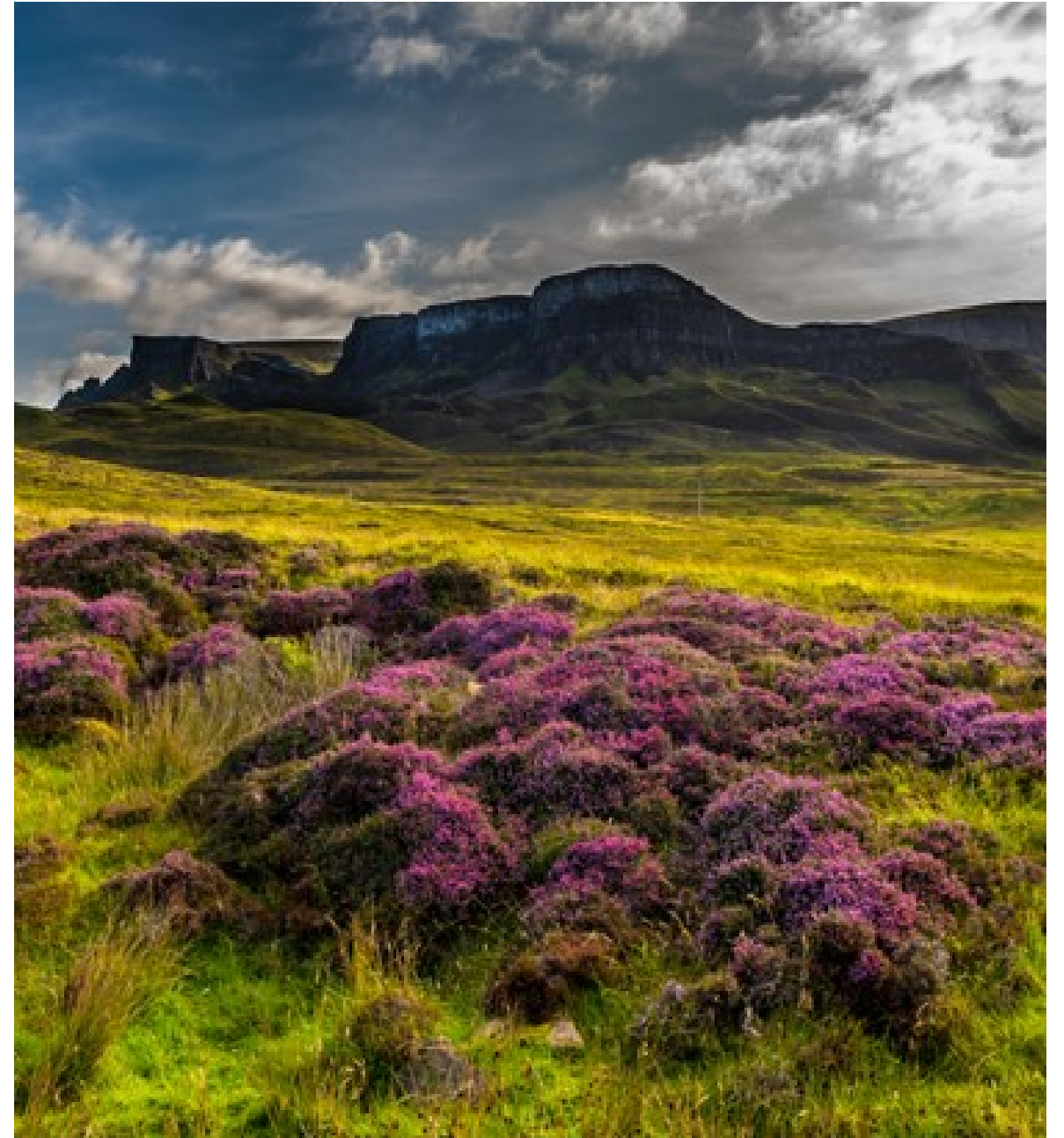
Vice-president and Fauna & Flora member since 1959

Introducing Fauna & Flora

Biodiversity Credits and the Development of a High-Integrity Biodiversity Credit Market

‘At every level, the critical role of nature – and of the people on the front line of protecting, sustainably managing and restoring ecosystems – has never been more evident, or in such urgent need of support. As a biodiversity conservation organisation, dedicated to supporting locally-led action for nature, it is incumbent upon us at Fauna & Flora to play our role in ensuring that mechanisms such as the emerging market for biodiversity credits are fit for purpose, support our partners, and will accelerate us towards achieving global goals for nature, people and climate.’

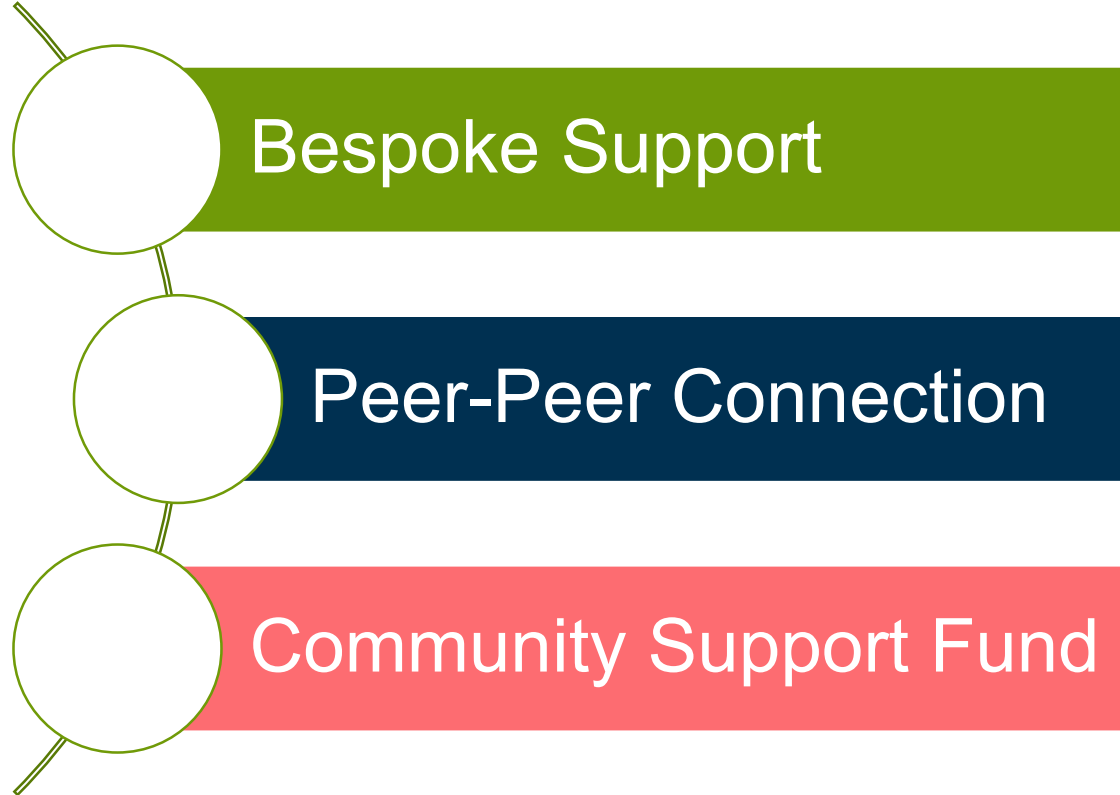
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Fauna & Flora: Scotland

Scotland Programme



Key Milestones

2023

CCN comprises over 20 community groups.



2020

Fauna & Flora begins to support community-based organisations that are focused on terrestrial biodiversity, nature recovery and climate impacts.

2019

Fauna & Flora launches the Community Support Fund, a small grants fund for community groups focused on biodiversity conservation projects. CCN's aquaculture forum, consisting of 12 different CCN community groups, is formed and secures representation in government technical working groups.



2017

With Fauna & Flora support, the Coastal Communities Network emerges as a coalition of community-based organisations who wish to take action together for their marine environment.



2017

Fauna & Flora teams up with NatureScot to develop the community-led Marine Biodiversity Monitoring project, which enables communities to access training, share skills and information, and develop shared protocols for monitoring inshore waters.

2016

A 'demonstration & research' marine protected area is designated in Fair Isle with Fauna & Flora support, after many years of effort from the community.



2014 - 2015

Fauna & Flora helps establish new community groups along the west coast, such as the Community Association of Lochs and Sounds (CAOLAS) and Craignish Restoration of Marine and Coastal Habitat (CROMACH).

2011

At invitation of the Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST), Fauna & Flora starts to work in Scotland, initially through providing support to COAST in its local conservation work within the waters off the Isle of Arran.

Coastal Communities Network

Scotland



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A scenic photograph of a coastal area. In the foreground, a red and white fishing boat is beached on a pebbly shore. The boat has a red cabin and white hull. In the background, there is a calm body of water with a few more boats, and distant mountains under a cloudy, overcast sky. The overall mood is serene and coastal.

**Coastal communities
taking action for
Scotland's seas**



COASTAL COMMUNITIES NETWORK



CCN gathering



CCN Member Groups in Action

Seagrass Restoration, Seawilding

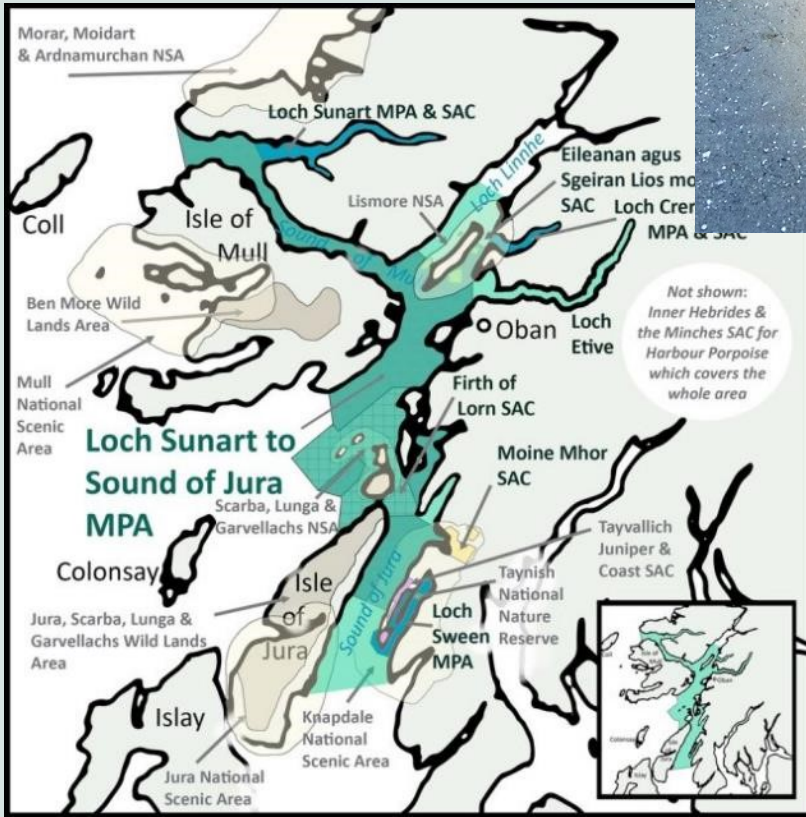


Native Oyster Restoration, Seawilding



John Aitchison, Friends of the Sound of Jura, receives Disney Hero Award from Jenny Minto, MSP

Argyll Hope Spot, 2019



@Sealife Adventures

ADD ban protects marine mammals

..and now for Edinburgh Shoreline...

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Saving Nature Together



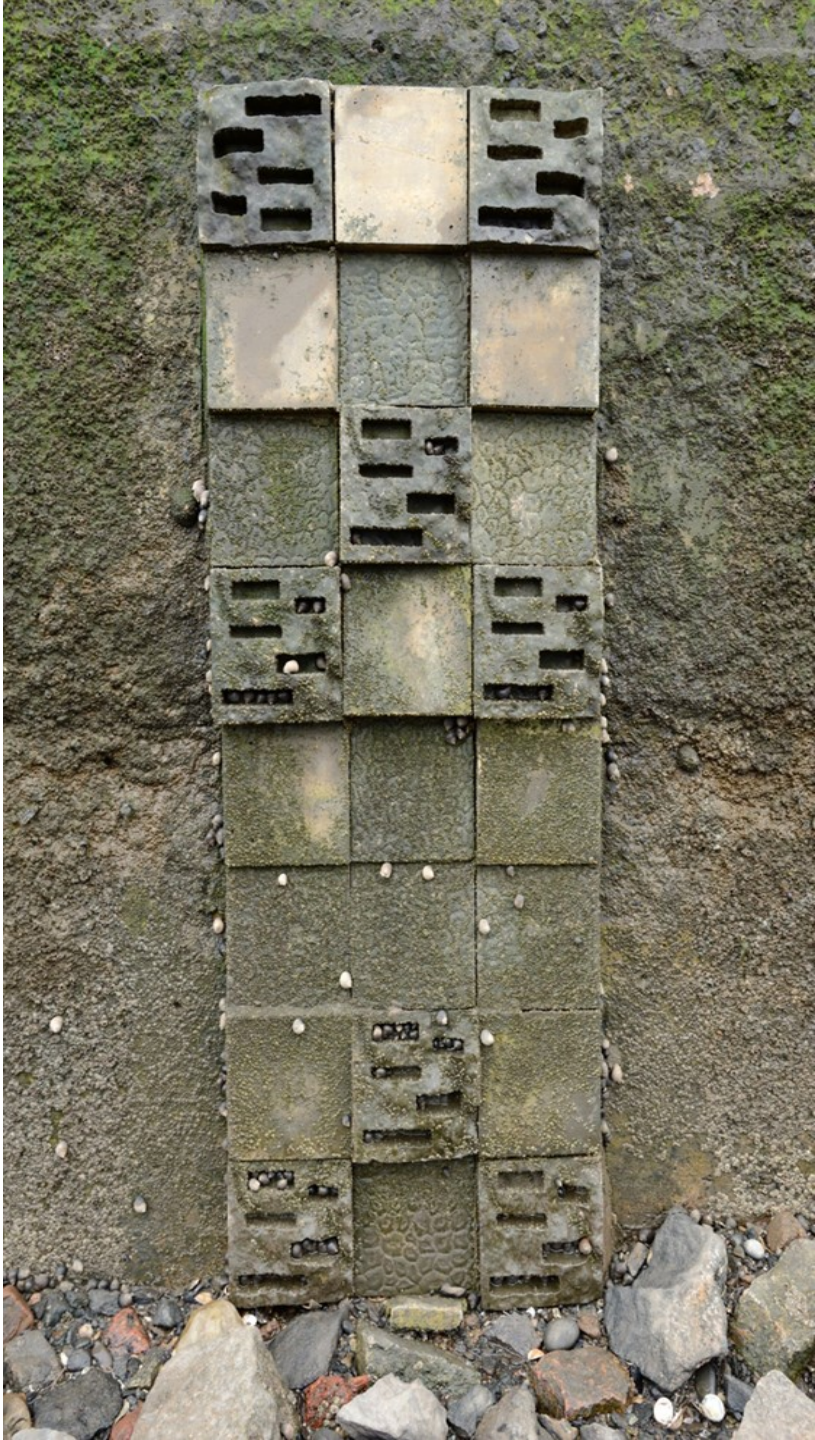


<https://edinburghshoreline.org.uk>











Leith Sands is no longer accessible to the public. It was once a huge sand and shingle beach used for horse racing and recreation over many centuries. Over the past 150 years it has seen extensive dock building and land reclamation. The East Sands area is particularly polluted.

Elise used Scottish tweed, Irish bawneen, fabric scraps, felt, ink, watercolour.



Clean up our seas, clean up our rivers. Please!

I am 5 – love all animals and their home

Clean up or else we will be doomed for the rest of time. Ryan aged 7

As individuals we can all make a small difference – but it needs government and large organisations to really get together and to agree – we need to save our planet! Jeremy aged 67

What right do we have to destroy their home? We must help rebuild it. Seagrass and oysters sounds like a great first step!

Stop talking about doing something for the environment. ACTUALLY DO IT!





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An Oyster-cellar in Leith, 1819, John Burnet
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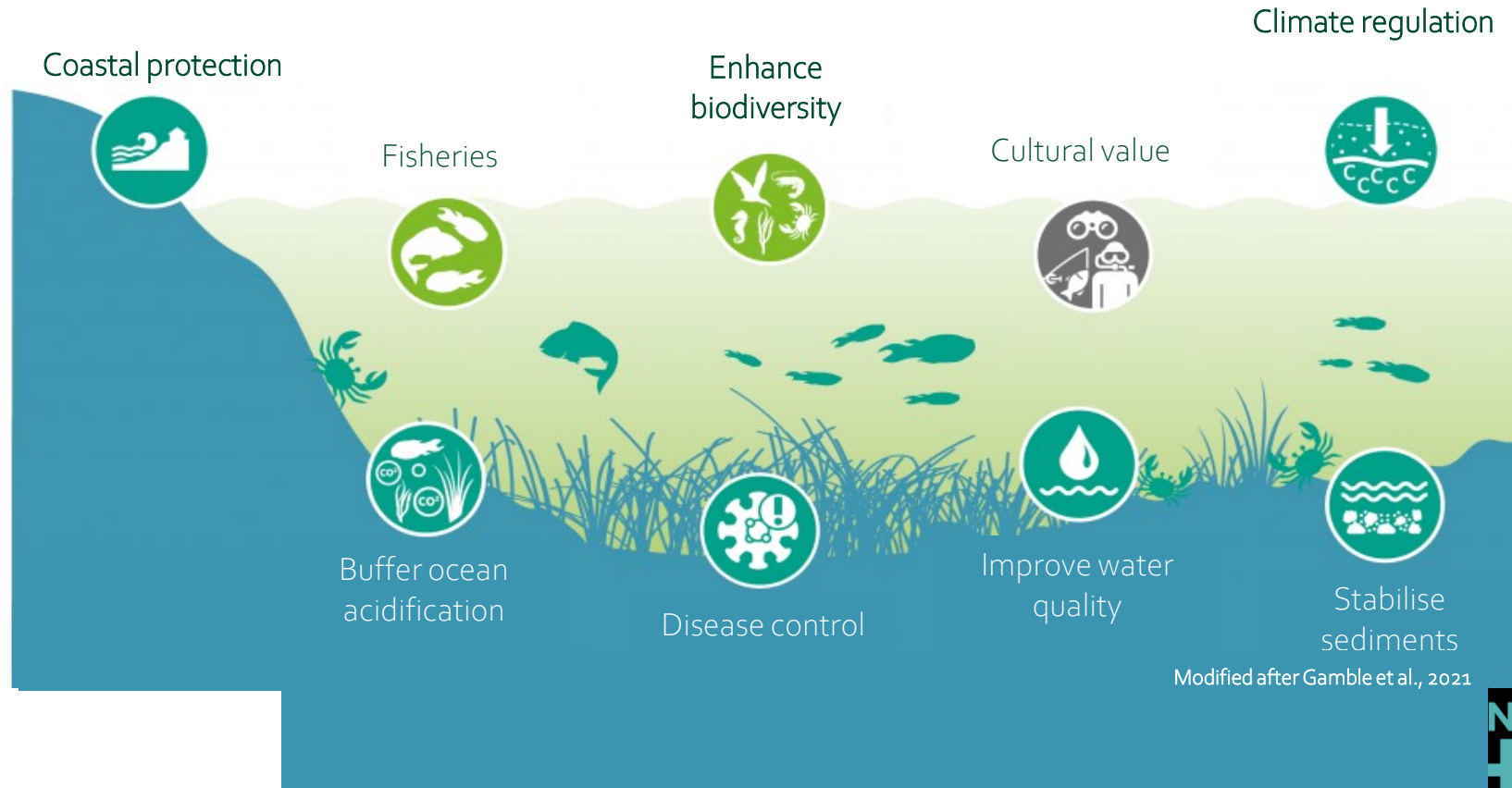


RESTORATION FORTH

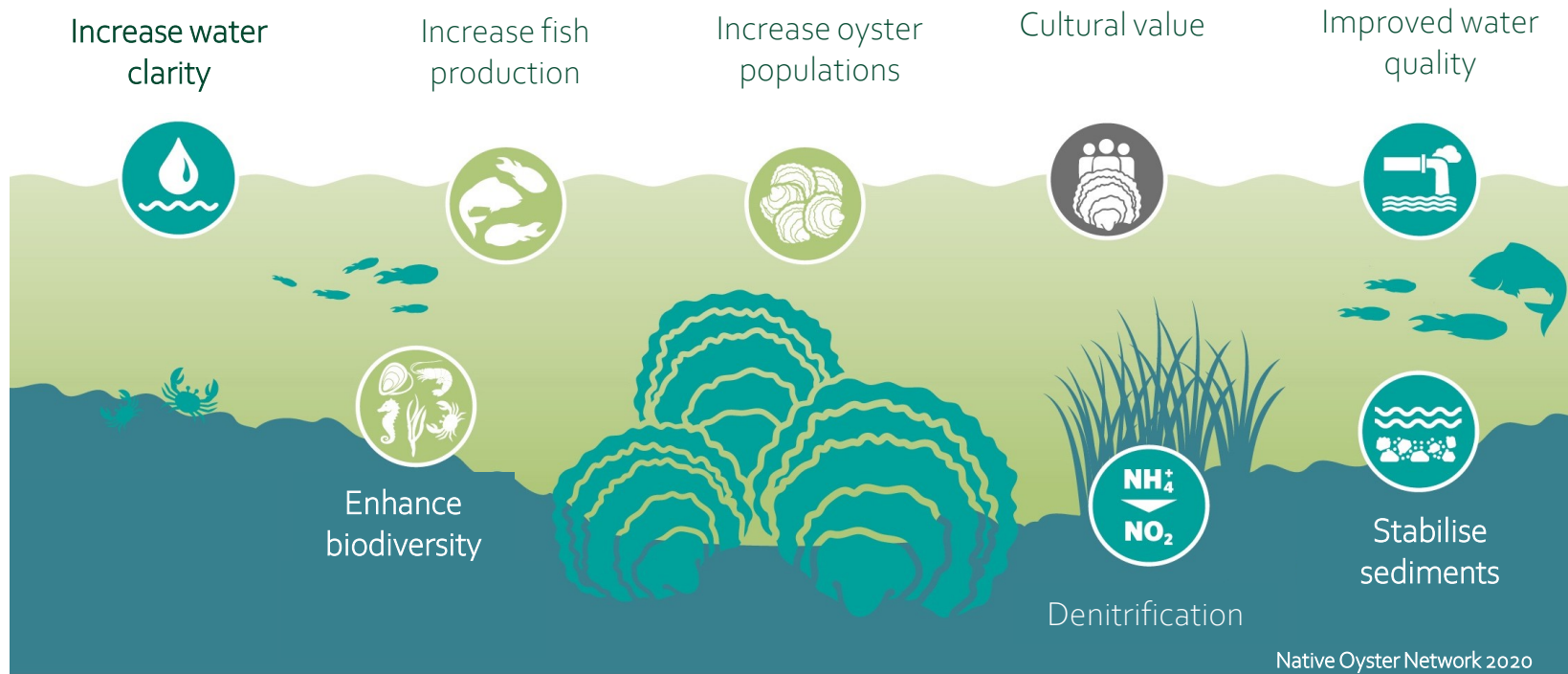


<https://www.wwf.org.uk/scotland/restoration-forth>

Seagrass



Oysters



Seagrass

Site selection



Seed collection and processing



Oysters

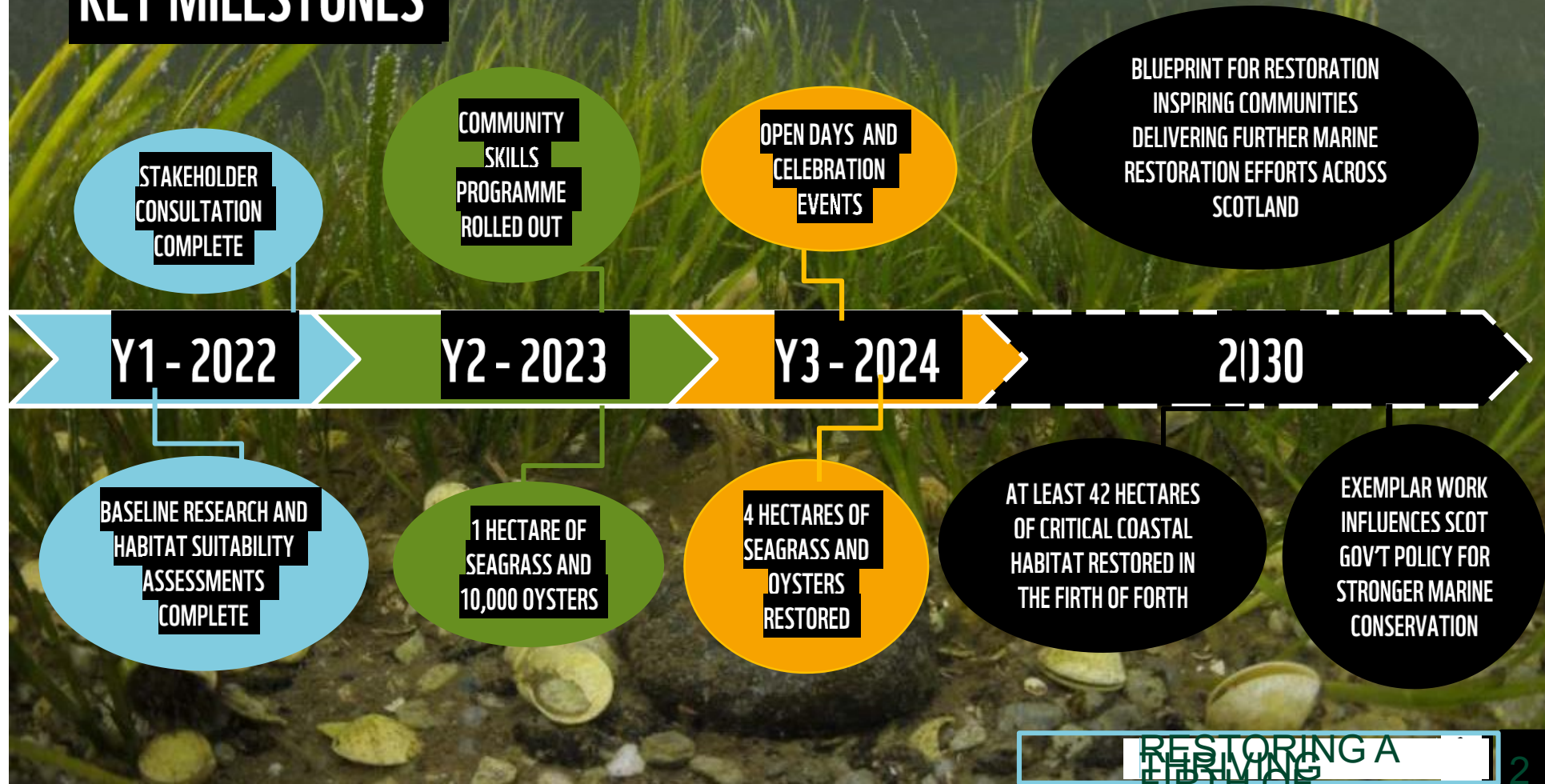
Biosecurity protocols and licensing



Native Oyster Network 2020



KEY MILESTONES



OUR IMPACT IN THREE YEARS TIME

CREATE AN
EXEMPLAR OF
INTEGRATED
RESTORATION

INFLUENCE POLICY
TO SUPPORT THE
RESTORATION OF
NATURE

BUILD A WELL-
SUPPORTED
COMMUNITY-LED
MOVEMENT FOR
RESTORATION

NATURE
RESTORED IN THE
FIRTH OF FORTH

OUR
LEGACY

THRIVING MARINE
ENVIRONMENTS TACKLE THE
BIODIVERSITY AND CLIMATE
CRISES AND BENEFITTING
LOCAL LIVELIHOODS

POLICY AND FUNDING ENABLES
COMMUNITY-LED MARINE
RESTORATION ACROSS
SCOTLAND



PROJECT SEAGRASS



Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh



Want to learning more or get involved?

Native Oyster Celebration Day

Heart of Newhaven Community - 21st October 23

100 Species Exhibition

Scottish Seabird Centre - 13th Oct 23 to 15th Jan 24

Seagrass planting

Pettycur, Dalmeny & Tynninghame - Spring 2024

Oyster biosecurity scrubbing

Heriot-Watt University Grounds - Spring 2024



Thanks!

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