



NATURA 2000 - STANDARD DATA FORM

For Special Protection Areas (SPA),
Proposed Sites for Community Importance (pSCI),
Sites of Community Importance (SCI) and
for Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

SITE UK9020287
SITENAME Mersey Narrows and North Wirral Foreshore

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1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

1.1 Type A	1.2 Site code UK9020287	Back to top
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1.3 Site name

Mersey Narrows and North Wirral Foreshore

1.4 First Compilation date 2013-07	1.5 Update date -
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1.6 Respondent:

Name/Organisation: JNCC
Address: Joint Nature Conservation Committee Monkstone House City Road Peterborough
PE1 1JY
Email:

1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

Date site classified as SPA:	2013-07
National legal reference of SPA designation	1. Conservation of Habitats and Species Regulations 2010 (as amended) 2. Offshore Marine Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 2007 (as amended) 3. Conservation (Natural Habitats, etc.) Regulations (Northern Ireland) 1995 (as amended) 4. The Conservation (Natural Habitats, &c.) Regulations 1994 Please note that these regulations apply to different parts of the UK (See Legislation.gov.uk for further details).

2. SITE LOCATION

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2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

Longitude
53.4155

Latitude
3.1816

2.2 Area [ha]:

2078.41

2.3 Marine area [%]

2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code

Region Name

UKD5

Merseyside

2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Atlantic (100.0
%)

3. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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3.2 Species referred to in Article 4 of Directive 2009/147/EC and listed in Annex II of Directive 92/43/EEC and site evaluation for them

Species				Population in the site							Site assessment			
G	Code	Scientific Name	S	NP	T	Size		Unit	Cat.	D.qual.	A B C D	A B C		
						Min	Max				Pop.	Con.	Iso.	Gl
B	A144	Calidris alba			w	510	510	i			B		C	
B	A672	Calidris alpina alpina			w	7645	7645	i			C		C	
B	A671	Calidris canutus islandica			w	10655	10655	i			B		C	
B	A130	Haematopus ostralegus			w	2718	2718	i			C		C	
B	A177	Larus minutus			c	213	213	i			C		C	
B	A157	Limosa lapponica			w	3344	3344	i			B		C	
B	A017	Phalacrocorax carbo			w	972	972	i			B		C	
B	A141	Pluvialis squatarola			w	593	593	i			C		C	
B	A193	Sterna hirundo			r	177	177	p			C		C	
B	A193	Sterna hirundo			c	1475	1475	i			C		C	

B	A162	Tringa totanus		w	1209	1209	i			C		C
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- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **S:** in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes
- **NP:** in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)
- **Type:** p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)
- **Unit:** i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))
- **Abundance categories (Cat.):** C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information
- **Data quality:** G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

4. SITE DESCRIPTION

4.1 General site character

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Habitat class	% Cover
N02	100.0
Total Habitat Cover	100

Other Site Characteristics

Soil & geology - mud, sand, sandstone/mudstone Geomorphology & landscape - coastal, estuary, inter-tidal sediments (including sandflat/mudflat)

4.2 Quality and importance

ARTICLE 4.1 QUALIFICATION(2009/147/EC): Over winter the area regularly supports: *Limosa lapponica*: 5.5% of the GB population 5-year peak mean 2004/05 - 2008/09 On passage the area regularly supports: *Hydrocoloeus minutus* (formerly *Larus minutus*): 213 individuals (no national population estimate) *Sterna hirundo*: 1,475 individuals (no national population estimate) In the breeding season the area regularly supports: *Sterna hirundo*: 1.8% of the GB population (2005-2009) ARTICLE 4.2 QUALIFICATION(2009/147/EC): Over winter the area regularly supports: *Calidris canutus islandica* 2.4% W Europe/ Waddensea/Britain/Ireland population 5 year peak mean (2004/05 - 2008/09) ARTICLE 4.2 QUALIFICATION(2009/147/EC): An internationally important assemblage of birds In the non-breeding season the area regularly supports: 32,366 individual waterbirds (five year peak mean 2004/05 - 2008/09) Including: *Phalacrocorax carbo*, *Haematopus ostralegus*, *Pluvialis squatarola*, *Calidris alba*, *Calidris canutus*, *Calidris alpina alpina*, *Limosa lapponica* and *Tringa totanus*.

5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]	Code	Cover [%]
UK04	100.0				

7. MAP OF THE SITES

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INSPIRE ID:

Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

Yes No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).