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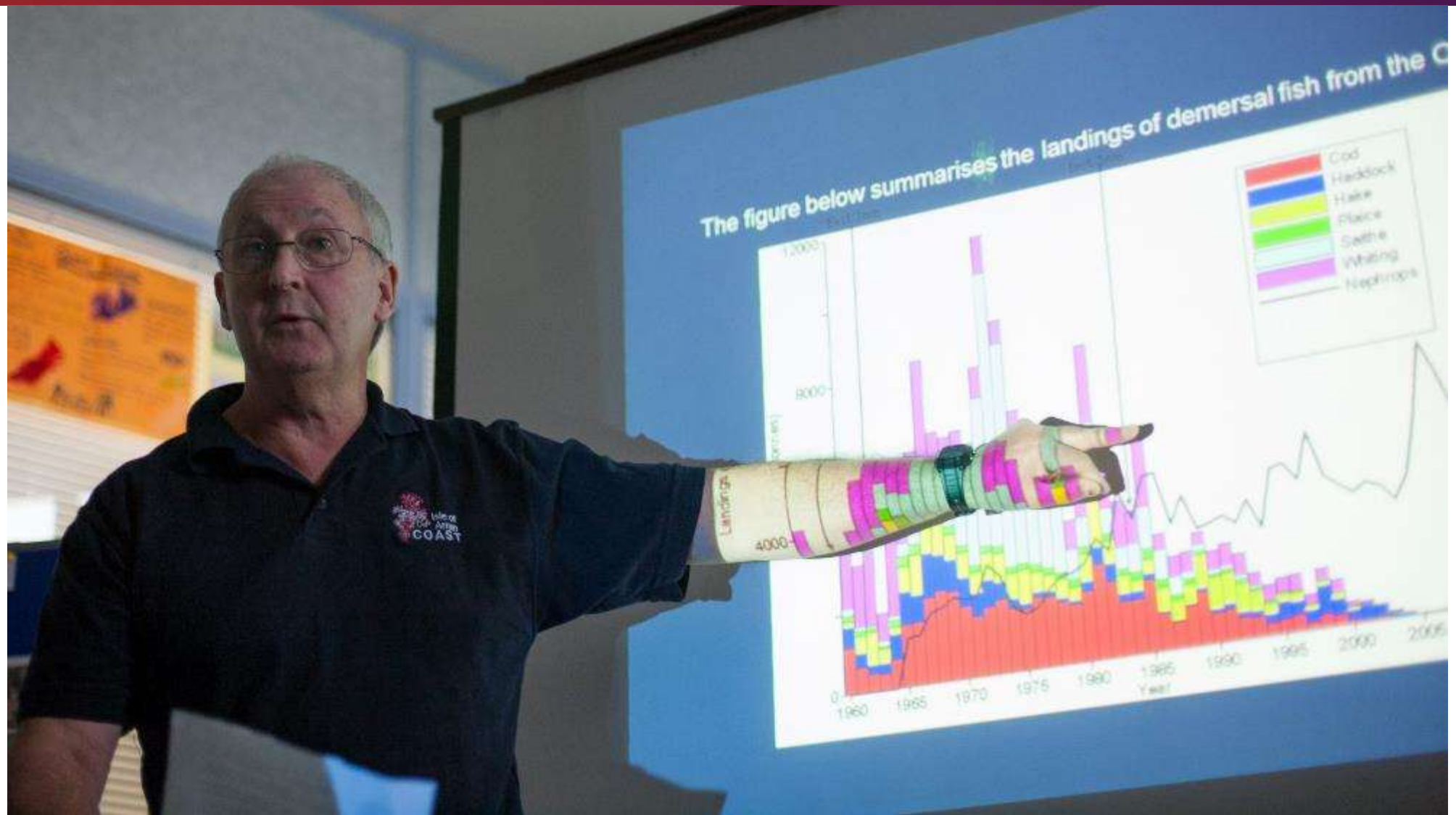

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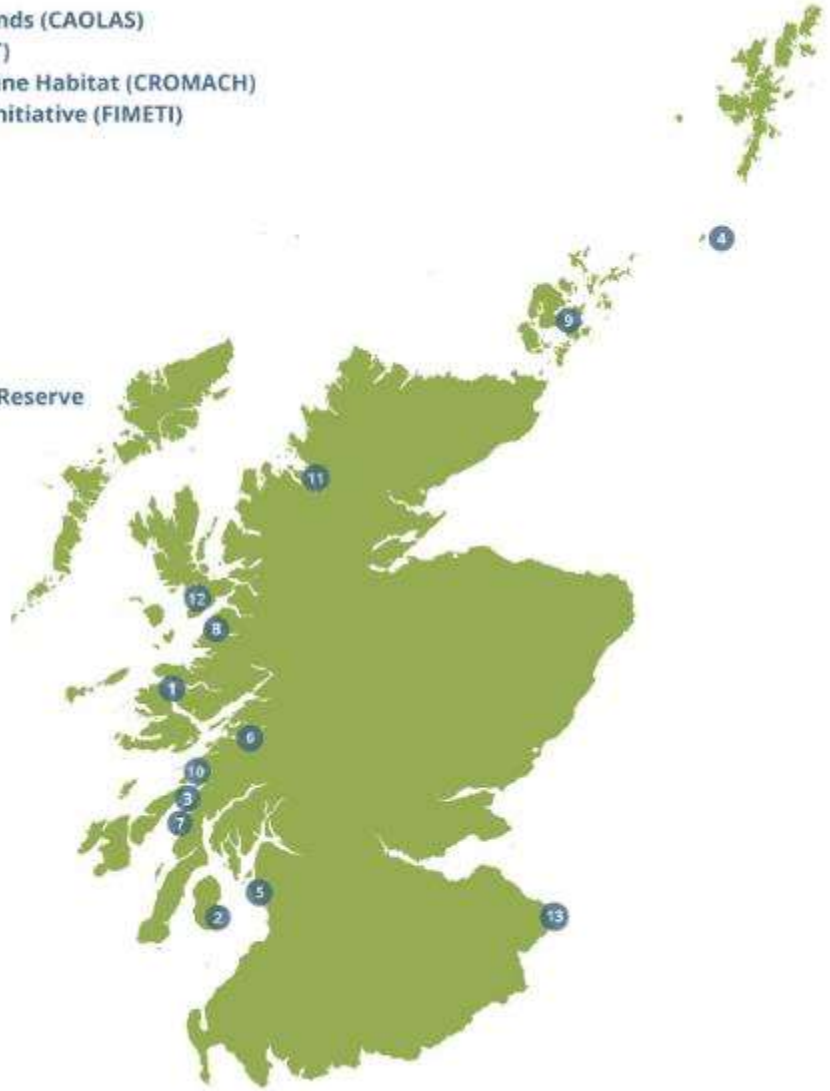
2 Community of Arran Seabed Trust (COAST)
3 Craignish Restoration of Coastal and Marine Habitat (CROMACH)
4 Fair Isle Marine Environment & Tourism Initiative (FIMETI)
5 Fairlie Coastal Trust
6 Friends of Loch Etive
7 Friends of the Sound of Jura
8 Knoydart Foundation Ranger service
9 Orkney Skate Trust
10 Save Seil Sound
11 Sea Change, Wester Ross
12 South Skye Seas initiative (SSSi)
13 St Abbs and Eyemouth Voluntary Marine Reserve



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- Share experiences & knowledge
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Providing direct support

Important new protection status for Fair Isle - video and news report

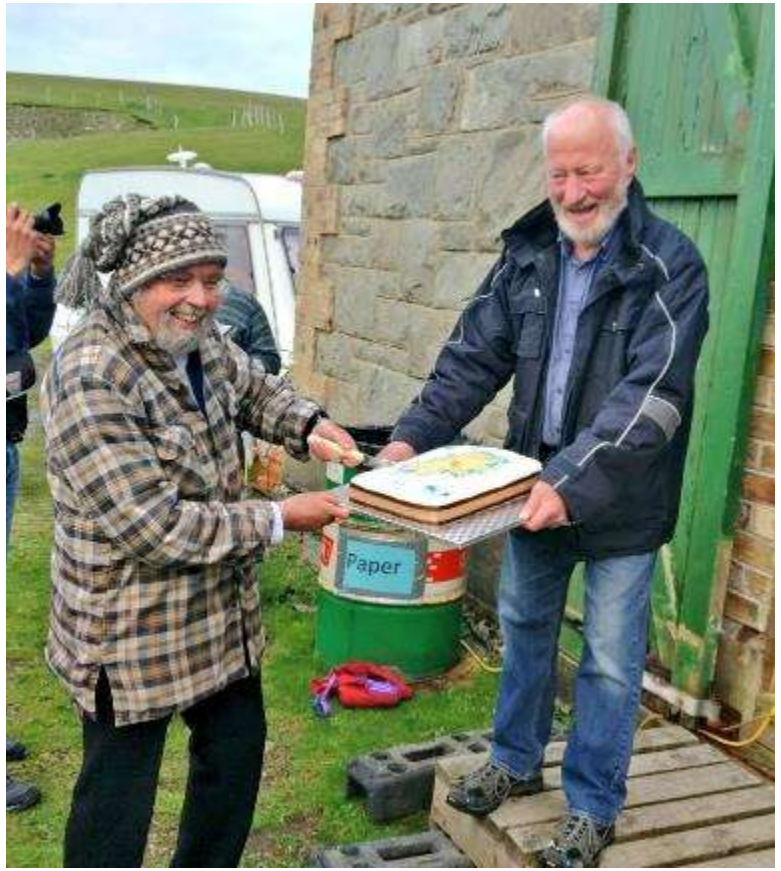
The Scottish Government has announced that a Marine Protection Area is to be established in the waters around Fair Isle, giving the remote island vital protection. *Read our history of the Fair Isle crofters.*

Environment Secretary Roseanna Cunningham confirmed that a community-led Fair Isle Demonstration and Research MPA will be established in order to enable development of **new or improved forms of marine management** to protect seabirds and promote ecotourism.

Fair Isle, which is 24 miles from Shetland, is **the most remote inhabited island in the UK** and has been owned by the National Trust for Scotland since 1954.

The Trust has been supporting the islanders' efforts to have the MPA established since 1995 as it ensures the charity's key objectives of conserving Fair Isle's internationally important seabird colony and the marine habitats that underpin it, with resulting economic benefits for the human community. The Trust acquired Fair Isle from George Waterston, founder of the island's permanent bird observatory, which was located there because of its unique importance as a bird migration watchpoint.

As well as the migrants, the island supports **one of the most important seabird colonies in Europe**, hosting species such as such as Atlantic Puffin, Arctic Skua, Great Skua, and Arctic Tern, Common Guillemot, Razorbill, Northern Gannet, Black-legged Kittiwake and Northern Fulmar.



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CAOLAS
Community Association Of Lochs And Sounds

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CAOLAS (also Gaelic for 'narrow neck of water') stands for the Loch Sunart and Sound of Mull 'Community Association of Lochs and Sounds'. CAOLAS came together in 2015 following the designation of Loch Sunart and the Sound of Mull as Marine Protected Areas. It aims to raise awareness of the unique marine environment and to encourage community involvement in its protection, preservation and sustainability.

Sharing experience and knowledge

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Thank you

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