



South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands

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South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands Strategy 2016-2020 Consultation

Dear stakeholders and interested parties,

In 2010 we developed a strategy for South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands for the period to 2015. With that period drawing to a close, we have prepared a draft strategy for the next five years (2016-2020).

The draft strategy is divided into a series of sections, which encompass the main areas of activity in the Territory, it reviews progress in the last five years and outlines our proposed strategy for the next five year period. The last five years have seen some major environmental achievements in the Territory, including the completion of the rat eradication baiting by the SGHT, the completion of the reindeer eradication and the declaration of a Marine Protected Area. It is essential that we build on these to ensure the long-term preservation of the relatively pristine natural environment of the Territory. Thus, whilst environmental management has a distinct section, it is a common theme running throughout the strategy.

We welcome comments and views of all stakeholders on this draft strategy document and would like to receive any comments by July 31st 2015. Following those comments, we will revise the strategy and plan to present the final version at the Stakeholder Meeting in September.

As we implement the new strategy we will consult on key areas of policy and legislation.

Please send any comments to me at the e-mail address below.

Yours sincerely,

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