

## South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands back up energy solutions

Will South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands be protected?

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Is krill exploitation a threat to South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands?

The marine environment of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands is what gives life to them, and when the ocean suffers from the impacts of climate change and over-exploitation, so do the islands. The threat that I will focus on is the exploitation of krill populations. Human-led demand for krill is growing significantly.

Why should we strengthen the MPA around South Georgia & the South Sandwich Islands?

Strengthening the MPA around South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands is of absolute importance. We need to stand united in our commitment to protect this remote yet invaluable ecosystem that will safeguard the very lifeblood of our planet. It is an honour to serve under your chairpersonship, Dr Huq.

Why should the UK protect the South Georgia Islands?

The islands and surrounding waters are also home to the last 6,000 South Georgia pipits and 95% of the global population of Antarctic fur seals. There is a unique opportunity for the UK to increase protection in the waters surrounding these islands.

Are South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands famous?

One of these 10 overseas territories is the focus of our debate today--South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands, a remote archipelago in the South Atlantic ocean, perhaps made famous in the minds of many of us by the events of 1982.

Is South Georgia a marine protected area?

Of course, the South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands marine protected area is one of the world's largest MPAs. The full protection now covers 283,000 km and is supported by the Government there, with the aim of conserving the rich marine biodiversity while allowing sustainable fisheries.

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In 2023, SeaLegacy joined coalition partners Pew Environment, Great Blue Ocean, Blue Marine Foundation, Pew Bertarelli Ocean Legacy and Blue Nature Alliance in calling for the expansion of the The South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands Marine Protected Area (SGSSI-MPA) to conserve the area's rich biodiversity and create a marine wildlife ...

In a significant step towards supporting marine conservation efforts in the South Atlantic, the Government of South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands (GSGSSI) has announced the successful ...

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South Georgia and South Sandwich Islands. Key Data. General information: Constitutional status: Overseas Territory of the United Kingdom; Land area: 3,903 square kilometers; Population: no permanent population; Energy transition: Installed capacity in 2019: MW; Power generation in 2020: GWh; Renewable energy generation capacity: MW; Main energy ...

The document also considers the priority areas of work over the coming 5 years, setting out some ambitious commitments including to be single-use plastic-free by 2025 and 100% renewable energy use on the landmass of South Georgia.

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South Georgia and the South Sandwich Islands are a collection of exceptionally remote islands in the Southern Atlantic. Although considered as one entity they represent two physically distinct island groups, with the South Georgia cluster ranging between 560 and 800km west of the South Sandwich Island arc (Figure 1).



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