

30by30 on land in England

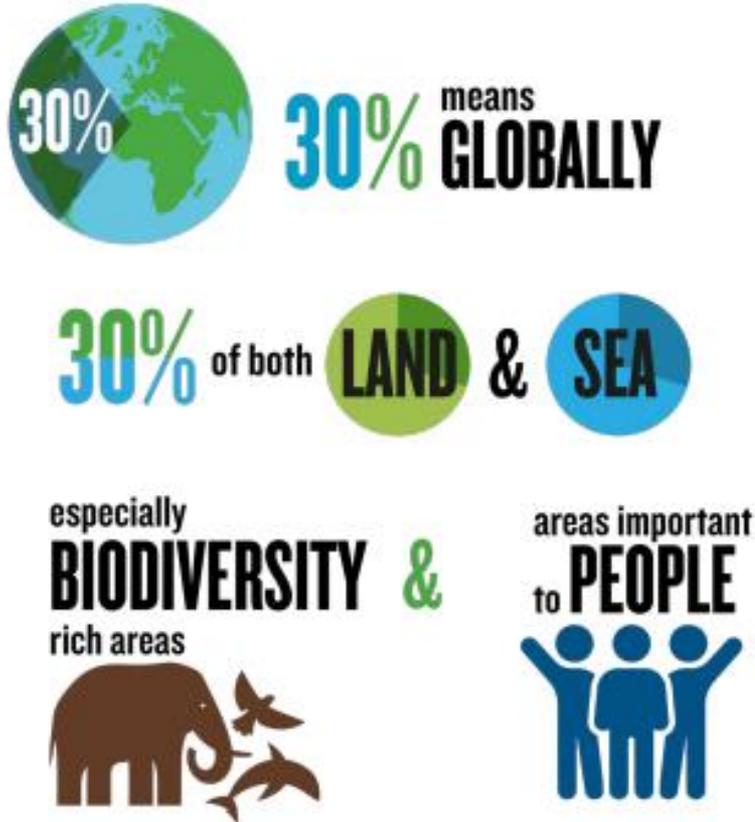
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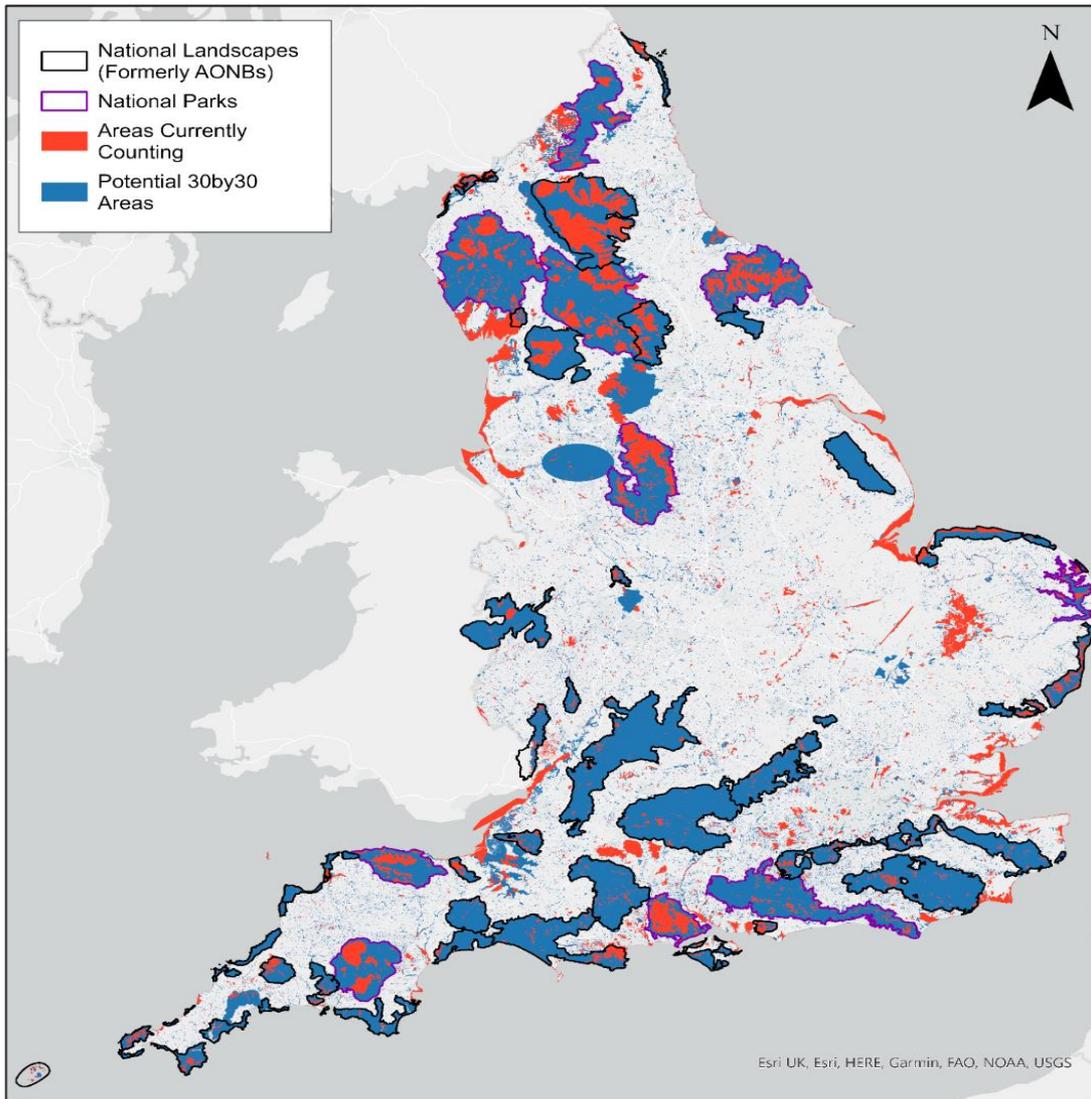


What is 30by30?



- The UK Government committed to **protect 30% of land and of sea for nature by 2030 ('30by30')** in 2020.
- The Convention on Biological Diversity's (CBD) Kunming-Montreal **Global Biodiversity Framework** reaffirmed this commitment globally.

An indicative map showing areas currently counting and with potential to count towards 30by30 on land in England



'Delivering 30by30 on land in England' (December 2023)

- **Indicative** - based on available, publishable data
- **8.5%** currently counting – including SSSIs
- **26.8%** 'Potential 30by30 Areas' – including National Parks and National Landscapes
- **Not all 'Potential 30by30 Areas' will count** in their entirety
- **Unmapped areas meeting the 30by30 criteria can count** in future

30by30 draft criteria

- **Purpose**
 - Biodiversity conservation
- **Protection**
 - Legal *or* other effective means
- **Management**
 - Long-term outcomes for biodiversity
- To be finalised in guidance in due course – focus on application



Other Effective area-based Conservation Measures (OECMs)

*“Geographically defined area other than a Protected Area, governed and managed in ways that **achieve positive and sustained long-term outcomes for the in situ conservation of biodiversity**” (CBD, 2018)*

- Biodiversity conservation delivered, but may not be the primary purpose
- Recognition, not designation
- Currently no OECMs recognised in England – opportunity for more inclusive approach



OECMs in England

- OECMs recognise existing measures – would not be designated under legislation as protected
- Potential OECMs may include:
 - NGO land holdings such as RSPB or NT reserves
 - Ancient Woodland Sites
 - Government estate e.g. MoD land
 - Parts of wider farmland delivering positive, long-term biodiversity outcomes
 - Other areas
- Any such area would need to meet the 30by30 criteria.
- We will be **seeking input on how we can incentivise** and motivate landowners/managers to participate in 30by30, and to ensure OECMs deliver long-term biodiversity outcomes.

Next steps

- Developing additional guidance on interpreting and applying 30by30 criteria, and how to get involved
- In-depth stakeholder engagement, launch Feb 2024:
 - Cross-sector 30by30 working group
 - Gathering feedback on December publication
 - Deep dive discussions on key elements
 - Developing case study examples
- Collaborative, bottom-up approach to 30by30 – ensuring that everyone can play a part



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