

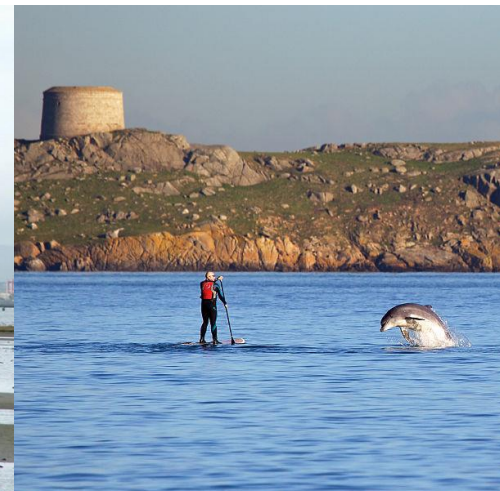


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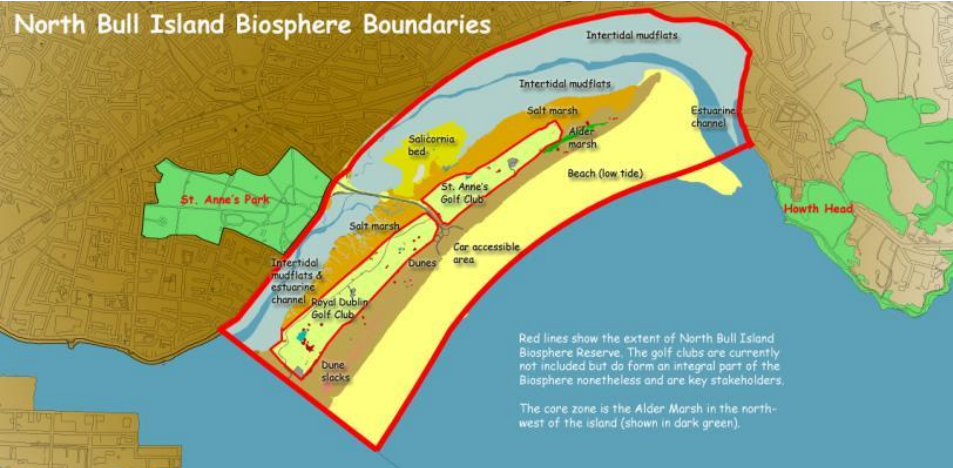
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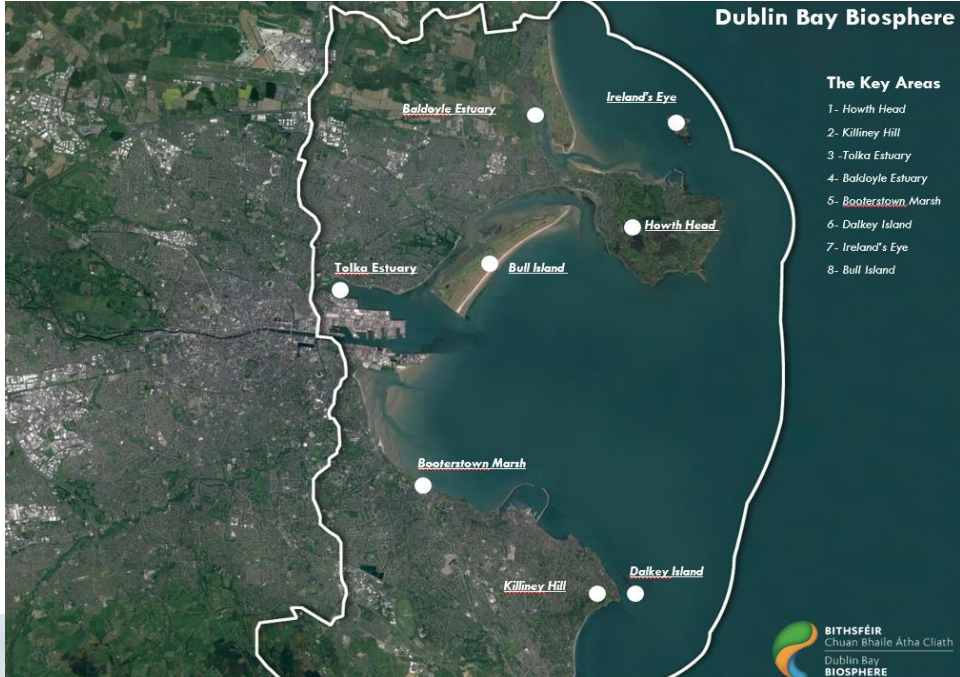
**Biosphere:** A place recognised for its biodiversity, and managed to promote a balance between people & nature

A place to develop & trial innovative approaches to sustainable development, learning & conservation, aimed at achieving that balance

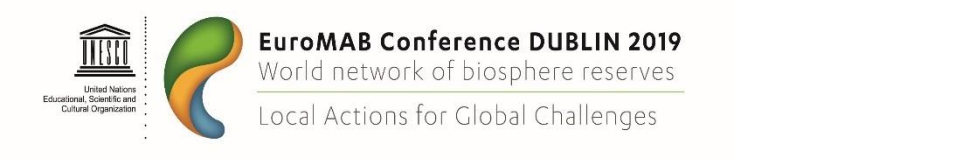
# North Bull Island Biosphere Boundaries



*In applying the biosphere reserve concept, the ambition is to reconcile the multiple uses in this small area*



*Expanded in 2015 to reflect its significant environmental, economic, cultural and tourism importance*





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**April 2nd - 5th 2019**

**240 delegates**

**30 countries**

**Over 100 UNESCO  
Biospheres**

**Practitioners, Managers, Policy-  
makers, Researchers, Educators,  
Ecologists, Scientists, Social  
Entrepreneurs, Creatives &  
Community Leaders**





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**18 Workshops & 12 Fieldtrips**

**Themes included:**  
climate change, marine plastics,  
& youth empowerment

Business/tourism initiatives, &  
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**Workshop Chairs included:**

Micheal O'Bhriain (Deputy Head of DG  
Environment, European Commission);  
Aodhan MacCormaic  
(State's Director of Irish); & UNESCO Youth  
Representatives





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**Biospheres are about local communities, local volunteers,  
local businesses, and local experts working together**



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