

Ecosystem Science for Policy & Practice

Dublin Fingal Exemplar Flash Talk

OPERAs Consortium Meeting 11th March, 2015



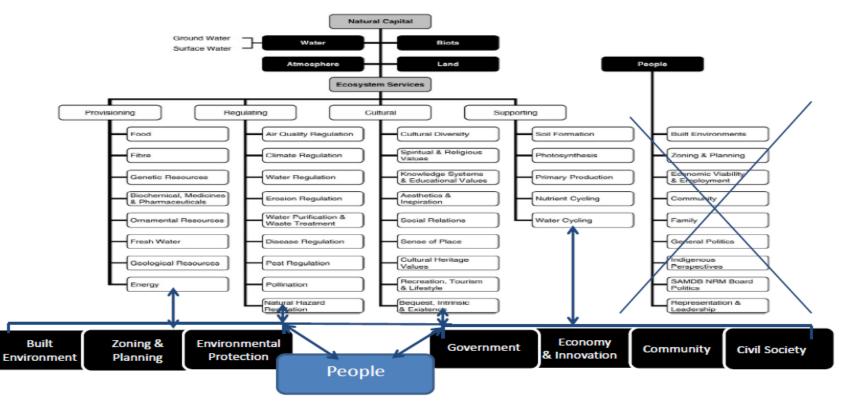
Skerries, Fingal. 2010: © Robert.Noworolski

Exemplar Research Questions

- What are the learning outcomes of articulating and representing Cultural ES values in the landscape for both public decision makers and representative stakeholders?
- Is the inclusion of social and cultural valuation of ES a relevant approach for public consultation in planning and can it be beneficial for decision making (EIA, SEA, CDP)?
- How do different stakeholders view the process of Cultural Ecosystem Services (CES) valuation?
- What is the most appropriate place for CES valuation within planning practice?



OPERAs - OPERATIONALISATION CONTEXT

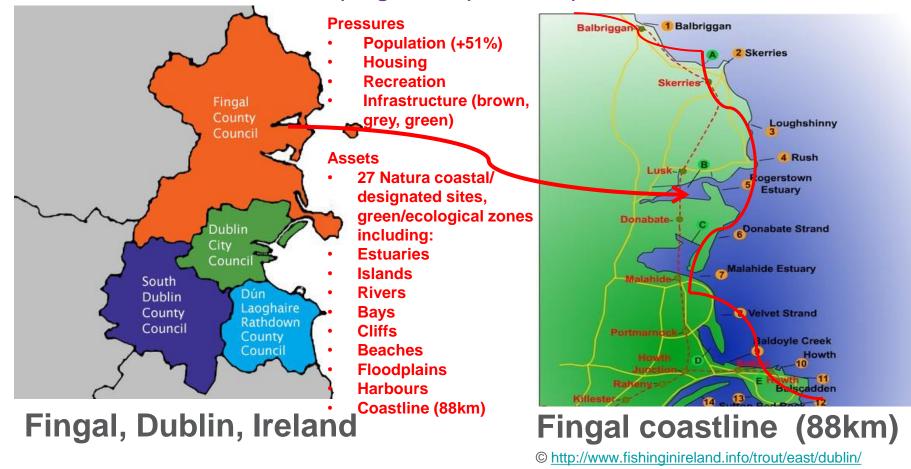


Interface between ES typology – planning and governance, society, institutions and people (After) Raymond et al, 2009 ES typology for Community Values and Threats



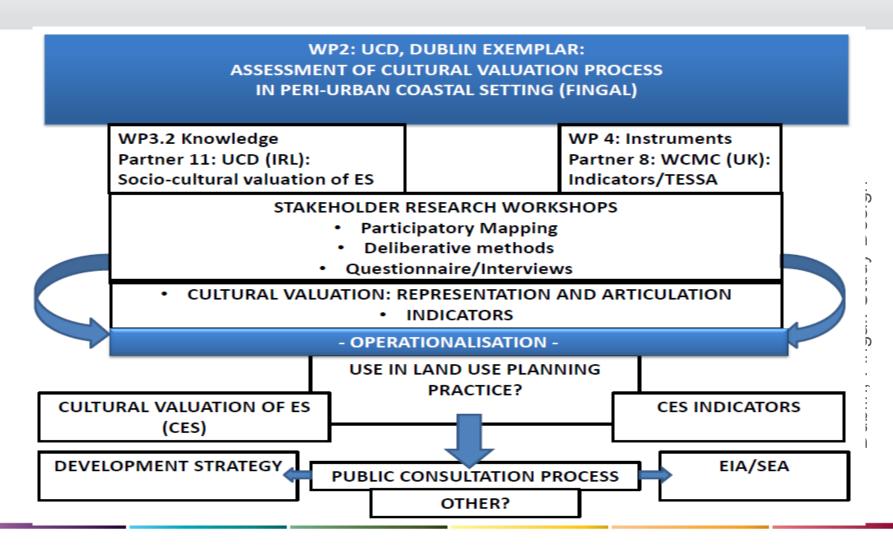
Map of Exemplar Location

"Coastline is the single most important natural resource in the County" (Fingal CDP (2011-2017)



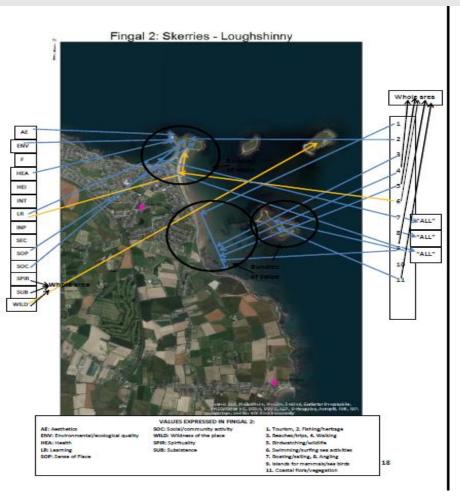


Research Design





Participatory Mapping of CES Values

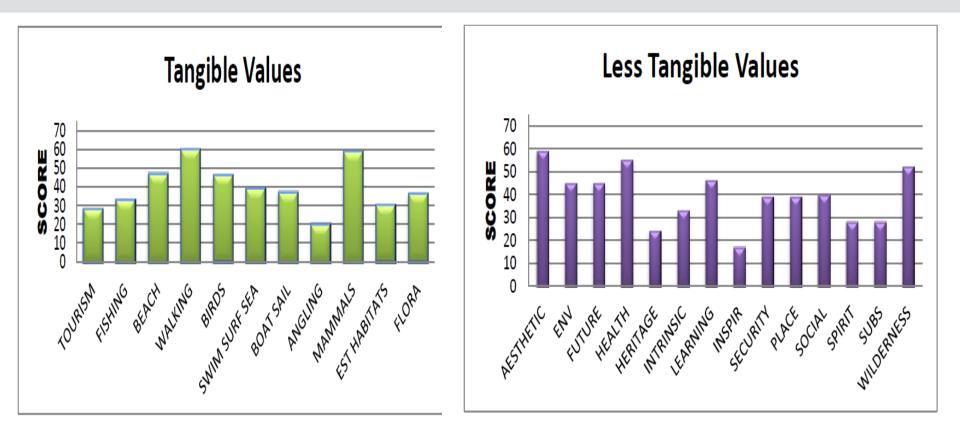


MAP CODE	Tangible	CULTURAL VALUES OF ES	MAP CODE	Less Tangible	CULTURAL VALUES OF ES
1.	Economic	I value the fact that the coastline attracts <u>visitors and tourism for</u> <u>business</u>	AE	Aesthetic	I value the coast for its <u>scenery, sights, smells and sounds</u>
2.		I value the <u>fishing</u> industry and Fingal's fishing heritage	ENV	Environment	I value knowing that the coast is <u>clean</u> and <u>that its ecology is</u> in a healthy state
3.		I value the <u>beaches</u> for trips by myself and/or with my family	F	Future	I value what the <u>coast has to offer to my grandchildren/future</u> generations - to be able to experience what I've experienced
4.		I value the coast for walking and similar activities	HEA	Health	I value the coast as a place where I or others can feel <u>healthy</u> , physically or psychologically.
5.	Recreation	I value the <u>coast for bird</u> watching or to watch wildlife	HEI	Heritage	I value the coast as a place which has <u>natural and human/way</u> <u>of life history</u> that matters to me
6.		I value the coast for swimming, surfing or other activities that involve contact with the sea	INT	Intrinsic	I value the coast just because <u>it exists, no matter what I or</u> <u>others use it</u> for
7.		I value the coast for boating or sailing	LR	Learning	I value the coast as it provides a <u>place to learn/teach</u>
8.		I value the coast, harbours and estuaries for angling/sea angling	INP	Inspirational	I value the coast because it provides inspiration for art, photography, writing and other cultural expression
9.	Wildlife	I value the <u>coastline and</u> <u>islands</u> for mammals (e.g. seals) and seabirds	SEC	Security	I value the dunes, mudflats and salt marshes for <u>the protection</u> they provide from storms and flooding
10.		I value the <u>estuaries</u> <u>habitats for birds (e.g.</u> <u>Malahide</u> , <u>Broadmeadow</u> , <u>Rogerstown</u>)	SOP	Sense of Place	I value the coast as it provides me with a <u>sense of place and of</u> identity for the community.
11.		I value the presence of coastal flora/vegetation	SOC	Social/Comm unity	I value the coast for <u>getting together: friends</u> , family/community
			SPIR	Spiritual	I value the coast as a place that is sacred or <u>spiritually special</u> to me
			SUB	Subsistence	I value the coast because if provides food and other produce
			WILD	Wilderness	I value the coast just because it is wild

Values drawn from McLain et al, 2013/Brown and Reed 2009 and from the literature



Results: Ranking of Values in Fingal





Workshops

UCD are carrying our 3-4 workshops in total:

- Workshop 1: CES valuation, ranking and participatory mapping and social learning about CES (Oct. 2014)
- Questionnaire to follow-up workshop on the benefits of the CES valuation process and it's role in planning consultation (Feb, 2015)
- Workshop 2: Linking CES with underlying ES perceptions about service quality and availability; Indicators (April, 2015)
- Questionnaire and interviews with decision makers and stakeholders on the role of CES valuation in planning practice (May/June 2015)
- Workshop 3: Practical application within a planning scenario;
- Workshop 4: Multicriteria analysis (Dr. Craig Bullock)





Workshop 1: Stakeholders and the Mayor of Fingal



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