



Llywodraeth Cymru  
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## TRAETH MELYN OG COCKLE FISHERY 2026 CLOSURE DECLARATION

issued pursuant to

**The Cockle Fishing Management and Permitting (Specified Area) (Wales) Order 2024**

**THE WELSH MINISTERS**, pursuant to article 7 of the *Cockle Fishing Management and Permitting (Specified Area) (Wales) Order 2024*, **declare** that the cockle beds in the area defined below (“the Area”) are **closed** to fishing for or taking of cockles with effect from **00:01 on 1 September 2026**.

**Reason:** Following the detection of elevated levels of *E. coli* at the Traeth Melynog cockle fishery in September 2024, the Food Standards Agency and Anglesey County Council will be implementing a time-limited prohibition as a precautionary measure while water quality samples are taken. It will therefore remain closed until further notice.

### The Area

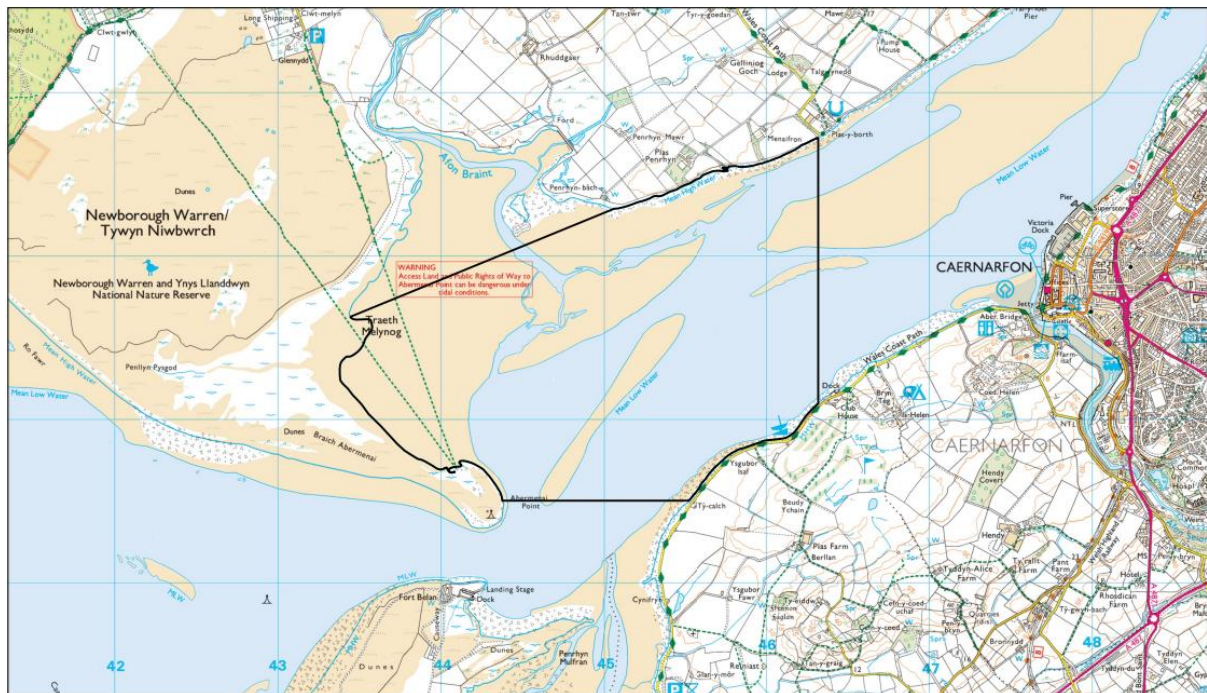
The Area closed by this notice is a line drawn between the following positions, as described—

- I. a straight line from latitude 53°08'.08N, longitude 004°21'.05W, map reference SH 4274 6234 to latitude 53°08'.63N, longitude 004°19'.02W, map reference SH 4504 6328;
- II. along the line of the Highest Astronomical Tides from latitude 53°08'.63N, longitude 004°19'.02W, map reference 4504 6328 to latitude 53°08'.89N, longitude 004°17'.90W, map reference 4632 6372;
- III. a straight line from latitude 53°08'.89N, longitude 004°17'.90W, map reference 4632 6372 to latitude 53°08'.01N, longitude 004°17'.85W, map reference 4632 6210;
- IV. along the line of the Highest Astronomical Tides from latitude 53°08'.01N, longitude 004°17'.85W, map reference 4632 6210 to latitude 53°07'.68N, longitude 004°18'.55W, map reference 4552 6150;
- V. a straight line from latitude 53°07'.68N, longitude 004°18'.55W, map reference 4552 6150 to latitude 53°07'.66N, longitude 004°19'.57W, map reference 4438 6150;
- VI. along the Highest Astronomical Tides from latitude 53°07'.66N, longitude 004°19'.57W, map reference 4438 6150 to latitude 53°08'.08N, longitude 004°21'.05W, map reference 4274 6234;

This Notice is given under authority of the Cabinet Minister for Rural Resilience and Sustainability, one of the Welsh Ministers.

Date of notice: 31<sup>st</sup> August 2026

For information purposes only, the Area is shown outlined in black on the map below:



## FURTHER INFORMATION

Further notifications and additional information relating to this closure can be obtained by contacting:

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