SITE SYNOPSIS

SITE NAME: PARKMORE POINT

SITE CODE: 001372

Parkmore Point is a coastal site located at the western entrance to Ventry Harbour, approximately 5km south-west of Dingle town. The following description of the site is based upon the one provided by An Foras Forbartha in 1972.

Parkmore Point is a small premonitory open to the Atlantic swell, consisting of irregular bedrock platforms with nearly vertical sides. The rocks are a type of old red sandstone and conglomerate.

Zonation is well developed with a black lichen forming a distinct upper zone, followed by a Barnacle zone, then a Mussel zone, which becomes mixed with small algae species at its base. On the lower shore large algae,

The main threat to the site would be from sea borne pollutants, but the recent NHA survey reports that the site is at present undamaged and is in no immediate danger.

The site is of interest as typical example of exposed leavy woodland, and was chosen above other similar areas, because it has been described in a classic textbook, Lewis, J.R. (1964), *The Ecology of Rocky Shores*. E.U.P., London.

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