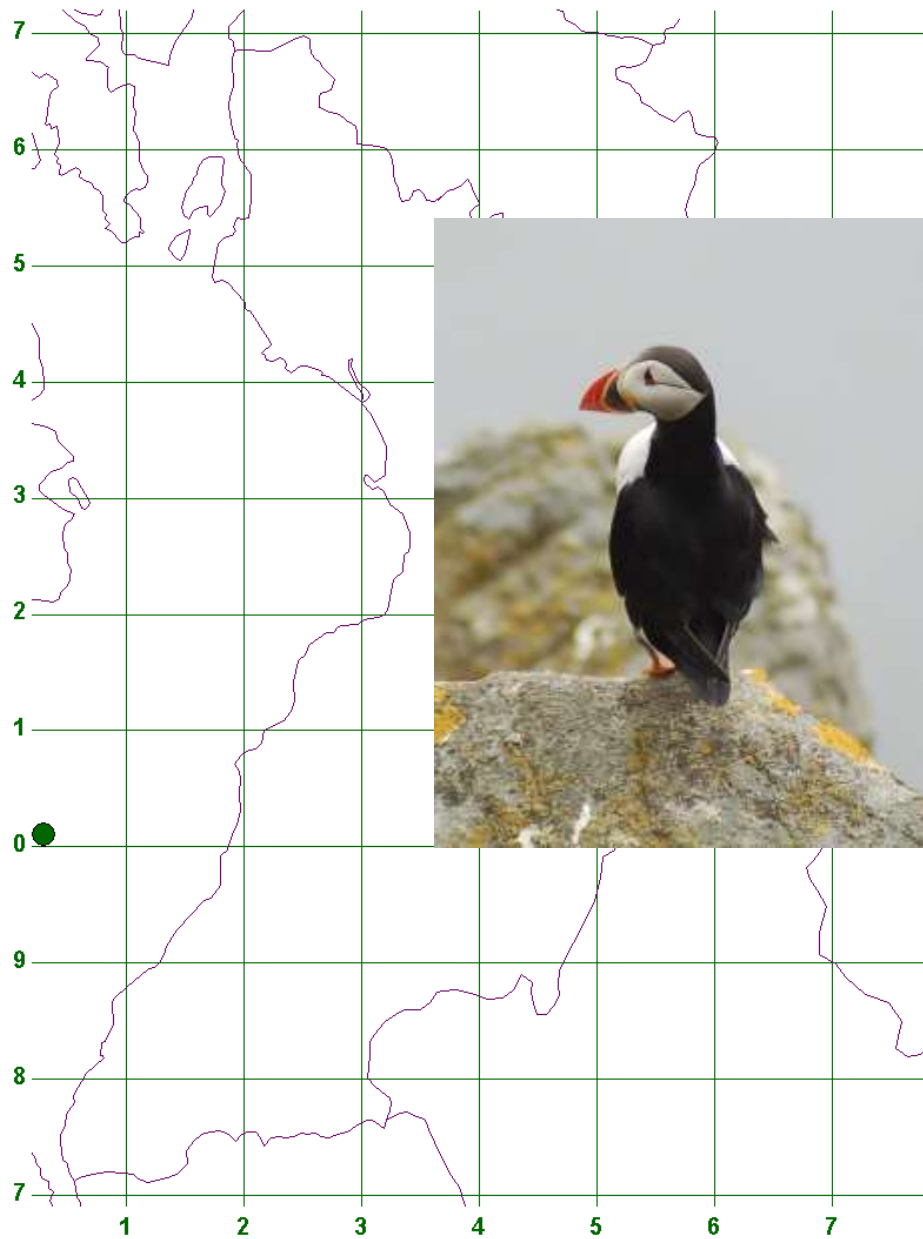


Atlantic Puffin (*Fratercula arctica*)



Status: Uncommon breeder.

Current trend: A successful rat eradication programme during the 1990s resulted in the return of the Atlantic Puffin to Ailsa Craig after its virtual extinction as a breeding bird there. Between 80 and 120 pairs were present during 2009, with the colony at the Northern end of the island showing signs of continued expansion in 2012.

Follow up: Continued monitoring of the Ailsa Craig colony.