The original set of species identified were

| Species                    | TAC | Commercial Data   | Data  | Comments  |
|----------------------------|-----|---|---|---|
| Sprat                      | No  | Targeted species for small fleet  | Poor; mainly landings weights   | Key-stone<br>prey fish  |
| Gurnards                   | No  | Nearly 100%<br>discarded &<br>Reasonable discard<br>and survey data. No<br>age data | Key-stone prey – widely distributed and abundant                                |   |
| Saithe,<br>Pollock<br>Ling | Yes | Mixed fishery   | Some port<br>sampling, observer<br>and survey data.<br>Very limited age<br>data | Key-stone<br>predator   |
| Rays,<br>Skates            | Yes | Targeted and mixed fishery  | Some port<br>sampling, observer<br>and survey data.<br>No age data              | Sensitive<br>species – slow<br>reproduction   |
| John<br>Dory               | No  | Mixed fishery but<br>can be targeted to an<br>extent                                | Some port<br>sampling, observer<br>and survey data.<br>No age data              | Sensitive<br>species –<br>valuable<br>non-TAC<br>species (not<br>protected by<br>fisheries<br>management) |
| Turbot,<br>Brill           | No  | Mixed fishery but<br>can be targeted to an<br>extent                                | Some port<br>sampling, observer<br>and survey data.<br>Very limited age<br>data | Sensitive species – valuable non-TAC species (not protected by fisheries management)                      |