

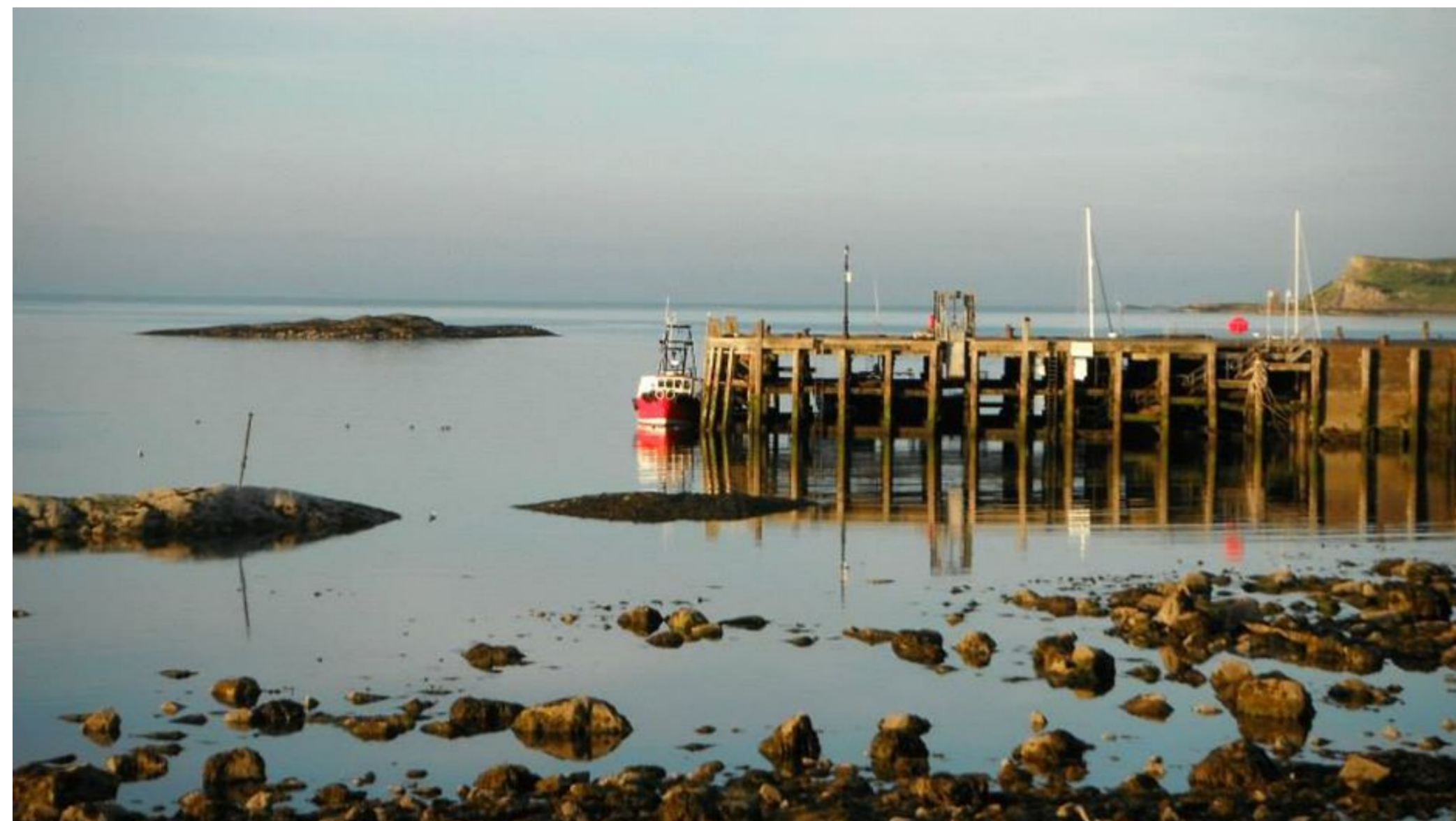


Millport Pier

The existing timber section of Millport Pier is in a poor condition.

In February 2014 North Ayrshire Council considered a proposal to replace the wooden pier with a rock armour breakwater 60 metres long with associated berthing for small boats. The cost of that proposal was £1.97 million but there were no funds available to progress with the project.

Due to concerns about the ongoing deterioration of the timber pier and the implications for safety, a decision was made to demolish the timber pier.



A subsequent Flood Risk Assessment indicated that the pier was contributing to the protection of Millport against flooding and therefore that the timber section shouldn't be demolished until a flood protection scheme was put in place.

The current Millport Coastal Flood Protection Scheme proposals are entirely based around flood protection. The proposals will only impact upon the pier as required for the purposes of flood protection.

If the flood protection scheme does not impact directly upon the pier, it is currently expected that there will still be a requirement to demolish the timber section of the pier due to its poor condition.

Based on the results of the wave modelling study, it is recommended that the proposals for the future use and management of Millport Pier are reviewed. If an offshore breakwater solution was to be progressed, additional shelter would be provided to the harbour area.

Additional funding would need to be obtained for any works to the pier. The cost of this work would not be covered by the flood protection scheme grant.