

NWIFCA Annual Meeting

14 June 2013: 10.30 a.m.

**AGENDA
ITEM NO.
7**

TECHNICAL, SCIENCE AND BYELAW SUB-COMMITTEE

Purpose of Report

To present the terms of reference of this Standing Sub-Committee and the process for appointment of the sub-committee being tested in 2014

Recommendation

That Members agree the Membership of the Scientific and Byelaws Sub-Committee for the forthcoming year.

Background

1. Members of the Technical, Science and Byelaw Sub-Committee are appointed at each Annual Meeting of the NWIFCA.

2. The terms of reference from Standing Orders are:-

“The Technical, Science and Byelaw Sub-Committee shall have 10 Members made up of Environment Agency, Natural England and Marine Management Organisation representatives and 7 Marine Management Organisation appointees elected by the NWIFA at each Annual General Meeting. It shall consider all matters of a scientific nature and the making and revision of byelaws and shall have plenary powers to act on urgent matters.

Any other NWIFCA member may attend this Sub-Committee but must inform the Clerk one week before the meeting. They may receive papers on request and may speak and vote at the meetings.

The Sub-Committee is permitted to co-opt additional specialist expertise from within the Authority to address technical issues.

Unless closed by resolution for specific items the general public is free to attend meetings of the TSB Sub-Committee as observers.”

3. The Chairman and Vice-Chairmen are ex-officio members of the TSB Sub-Committee (Standing Order 8.2).

4. Standing Order 8.3 states 5 MMO appointees. This is an error and should say 7.

5. A new process for appointment of the TSB Sub-Committee is being tested this year. This is designed to give an opportunity to carefully review the membership and consider the expertise of all MMO appointees.

6. A list of all eligible MMO appointees has been circulated and a postal ballot held. The outcome of the ballot will be tabled at the meeting.

**CLERK
30th May 2014**