

ANNEX C

North Western Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authority Technical, Science and Byelaw (TSB) Sub-Committee

Main areas of work 2011-2015 and detailed work programme 2011-2012

Areas of Work 2011-2015 derived from Success criteria and High level objectives

1. Consider appropriate use of Byelaws including Emergency Byelaws to manage sea fisheries resources.
 - I. NWIFCA Byelaw Review – (High Level Objective **2b**, Complete by **April 2015**)
 - II. *Identify, prioritise, revoke and make byelaws for the NWIFCA district within available resources.*
 - III. *Develop and make byelaws required to achieve conservation objectives for MPA in the District.*

2. Review evidence base and management for the sea fisheries resources of the NWIFCA District – (High Level Objective 6c, 2a and 1c, Completed by **April 2015** demonstrating progress has been made by **April 2013** and **2014**)
 - I. *Identify Sea Fisheries Resources within the NWIFCA district, assess impacting issues, develop and adopt a suitable sustainable management plan for each within available resources. (High Level Objective **6c**, by **April 2015**)*
 - II. *Review current information and highlight areas where further evidence collection is required.*

3. Assist maintenance of partnerships with other organisations and development of joint Action Plans (High Level Objective **4a** and **5b**)
 - I. *Review and agree with partner organisations, the need for Service Level Agreements and develop as required – By **April 2012***
 - II. *Review MoU's annually and develop work programmes and information sharing agreements and procedures.*
 - III. *Identify and exchange data and information with partner organisations as set out in MoU's – (High Level Objective **5b** by **April 2012**)*

4. Develop Enforcement Framework and Policy - (High Level Objective **3a**)
 - I. *Develop and review NWIFCA risk register for enforcement*
 - II. *Assist development of national enforcement policy framework and complementary NWIFCA policy.*

5. Work with partners to implement sustainable management with a precautionary approach to Marine Protected Areas and advise the NWIFCA on the management and protection of Marine Conservation Zones to meet Government timetable to be announced. (High Level Objective **6c** and **6d** – Completed by **April 2015** demonstrating progress from **April 2011**)

6. Consider the effects of EU and National Legislation and impacts on NWIFCA's objectives and work programmes (High Level Objective **6c**)
 - I. *Incorporate new management measures or policy following further information release from Marine Strategy Framework Directive, Marine Policy Statement, Common Fisheries Policy Reform and other policy released.*

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Work Programme 2011-2012**

1. Progress the Morecambe Bay Fishery Order
 - a. Finalise terms and details of the order
 - b. Prepare application to DEFRA for the creation of the Morecambe Bay Fishery Order
 - c. Undertake consultation on the Order
 - d. Implement Order when confirmed.

2. Review the current three sets of Byelaws within the NWIFCA District
 - a. Remake and implement Byelaw 5.
 - b. Review scope of existing byelaws, proposals for new byelaws and prioritise the order of new Byelaws to be worked upon.
 - c. Prepare, make, consult on and implement new IFCA byelaws within available resources.

3. Enforcement Framework Policy
 - a. Work with other IFCA's to create a national enforcement policy framework.
 - b. Develop NWIFCA enforcement policy.
 - c. Develop enforcement Risk register for NWIFCA

4. Review sustainability of Sea Fisheries Resources within the district.
 - a. Identify and prioritise Fisheries which require urgent attention.
 - b. Draft management plans within available resources.
 - c. Identify areas where evidence is limited and consider ways of improving knowledge.
 - d. Consider enforcement measures for sustainable management as required.

5. MPA management for Shell Flat SAC Liverpool Bay SPA and designated MCZ.
 - a. Agree work programmes with NE and other relevant authorities.
 - b. Develop monitoring programmes within available resources and in partnership with relevant authorities.
 - c. Develop understanding of the scope of IFCA duties towards MPA's and MCZ's and delivery in partnership with relevant authorities.
 - d. Develop and establish involvement in Management committees for SAC, SPA and MCZ and assist development of work programmes.

6. Ribble Cockle Fishery: Establish joint agency committees to develop plans and implement management.
 - a. Consider and approve fishing methods and issue permits.
 - b. In partnership, assess conservation impacts and plan implementation of mitigation.
 - c. Identify areas where further information/evidence is required.
 - d. Liaise with other groups working on enforcement and conservation objectives for this area.