

**NWIFCA Technical, Science and
Byelaw Committee
9th February 2021: 10:00 a.m.**

**AGENDA
ITEM NO.
5**

Byelaw Review January 2021

Purpose of Report: To report progress with byelaw development.

Recommendation: Receive the report

1. The table shows the position of byelaws in development January 2021

Byelaw in Development	Progress to date	Next stage	Target
Byelaw 1 MCRS	Statutory consultation ends 5 Feb 2021	Review consultation responses after 5 March	Confirmation by Defra end May 2020
Byelaw 2 Leasowe clams	Statutory consultation ends 5 Feb 2021	Review consultation responses after 5 March	Confirmation by Defra end May 2020
Byelaw 3 Cockle and mussel permits	With MMO for confirmation	Implement byelaw	Byelaw operating for 2021-22 cockle season
Byelaw 4 Potting permits	With MMO for confirmation	Implement byelaw	Byelaw operating in June 2021
Consolidation of netting byelaw	Research and discussions continuing	Draft proposals	Draft byelaw by March 2022

Suggested next priorities

2. Review of inherited netting byelaws.
3. Vessel size byelaw
4. District wide shrimp byelaw
5. Research into most appropriate MCRS for each species in the MCRS byelaw to create stronger scientific underpinning.
6. IVMS byelaw to address national iVMS policy

CEO

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