

## Eastern IFCA management measures tracker



### *Opportunities to input to Eastern IFCA management measures development*

Inshore Fisheries & Conservation Authorities have a shared vision for healthy seas, sustainable fisheries and a viable industry. In delivering this vision for the eastern district, Eastern IFCA is considering and developing management measures in relation to a range of different fisheries and drivers. Dialogue with stakeholders is crucial to this work. Information is gathered to ensure that measures are as effective as possible and so that impacts and benefits are fully explored and understood. Feedback from all stakeholders is appreciated and valued.

Below is an overview of work Eastern IFCA is currently undertaking or planning for the near future. We are sharing this programme to keep stakeholders informed and to encourage engagement with Eastern IFCA on these matters. The tracker includes links to more information if available, including how to participate when live. Eastern IFCA will update this page on a regular basis.

*Please note – this is a live tracker and is subject to change.*

*Last update – 12/09/2019*

	Consultation is open
	Consultation is closed

Work stream	Summary	Phase / Status	Current phase ending	Next step(s)
Potting Fisheries management	Development of management measures for crab and lobster fisheries sustainability  Review of the wording of the Whelk Permit Byelaw 2016	Informal consultation	Extended – closure date TBC (previously set to close on 1 <sup>st</sup> )	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Continue engagement into winter period</li></ul> Seek to develop proposals during early 2020

	<p>including the annual allocation of permit tags</p> <p>Evidence gathering to inform assessment of Cromer Shoal Chalk Bed MCZ</p> <p><a href="#">Further Information</a></p>		October 2019)	
<p><b>Closed Area Byelaw 2020</b> (<i>Sabellaria spinulosa</i> (Ross worm) reef off the Lincolnshire coast and an area of hard sea bed (referred to as circalittoral rock) in The Wash)</p>	<p>Development of management measures in the form of spatial closures to protect vulnerable habitats within Marine Protected Areas.</p> <p>Closures will relate to use of bottom towed gear.</p> <p><a href="#">Further information</a></p>	Informal consultation	11 <sup>th</sup> October 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Gather evidence in relation to fishing activity within areas identified as potentially needing management</li> <li>• Develop appropriate management measures taking into account information from informal consultation</li> </ul>
<p><b>Fish, mollusc and crustacea minimum size Emergency Byelaw 2019 –</b> Replacement of the Emergency Byelaw as necessary</p>	<p>To consider the need for replacing the <i>Fish, mollusc and crustacea minimum size Emergency Byelaw 2019</i> and develop a byelaw as required.</p> <p><a href="#">Further Information</a></p>	Assessing requirement to replace with permeant byelaw	TBC	<p><i>As may be required</i></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Informal consultation</li> <li>• Development of replacement byelaw</li> </ul>
<p><b>Marine Protected Area Byelaw 2019 -</b> New restricted areas (bottom-towed gear) off the north and east Norfolk coast:</p>	<p>Development of management in the form of areas closed to bottom-towed gear. Includes an additional closure between Weybourne and Happisburgh</p>	Consideration of formal consultation results – <i>formal consultation has</i>	October 2019	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To consider feedback from formal consultation and make final decision regarding the byelaw.</li> </ul>

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Chalk reef</li> <li>• <i>Sabellaria</i> reef</li> </ul>	<p>and three smaller closures off the east Norfolk coast.</p> <p><a href="#">Further Information</a> on consultation</p>	<p><i>ended (22/07/2019)</i></p>		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Eastern IFCA to respond to all respondents regarding final decision.</li> <li>• Eastern IFCA to submit final version of byelaw (dependant on final decision) for consideration by Minister.</li> </ul>
<p><b>Wash Restricted Area Byelaw 2019</b> – replacement of the Wash Emergency Byelaw</p>	<p>Considering a replacement for the Emergency Byelaw in The Wash</p> <p><a href="#">Further Information</a> on consultation</p>	<p>Consideration of formal consultation results – <i>formal consultation has ended (22/07/2019)</i></p>	<p>October 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• To consider feedback from formal consultation and make final decision regarding the byelaw.</li> <li>• Eastern IFCA to respond to all respondents regarding final decision.</li> <li>• Eastern IFCA to submit final version of byelaw (dependant on final decision) for consideration by Minister.</li> </ul>
<p>Shrimp Permit Scheme development</p>	<p>Development of a permit scheme to limit effort within The Wash and North Norfolk Coast (mitigation to enable the shrimp fishery to operate within this marine protected area)</p> <p>Initial proposals presented to the Authority -</p>	<p>Consideration of Informal consultation results – <i>Informal consultation ended August 2019</i></p>	<p>October 2019</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Revise proposals taking into account feedback at Authority meeting</li> <li>• Undertake formal consultation on proposed Permit Conditions (date TBC)</li> </ul>
<p>Cockle Fishery Management Plan</p>	<p>Development of cockle fisheries management plan for Wash Fishery Order 1992 fishery</p>	<p>Consultation finished (02/08/2019)</p>	<p>n/a</p>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Following the agreement of The Authority (11/09/2019), Officers to update Wash Fisher Order Licence Holders of adoption of</li> </ul>

	<a href="#">Further information</a> on consultation	Authority consideration of consultation feedback considered 11/09/2019  Inform stakeholders		new Cockle Fisheries Management Plan <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Publish newly adopted plan on website</li> </ul>
Humber eelgrass closures – review	Review of the closure to bottom-towed gear and hand-work fishing activity on the south bank of the Humber Estuary	Review in progress / consultation pending	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review closures in place to determine if amendments are required</li> <li>• Informal engagement with stakeholders as required</li> </ul>
Wash <i>Sabellaria</i> reef closures – review	Review of the closures in The Wash related to <i>Sabellaria</i> reef taking into account new evidence and conservation advice.	Review in progress / consultation pending	n/a	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Review closures in place to determine if amendments are required</li> <li>• Informal engagement with stakeholders as required</li> </ul>