Marine Scotland — Inshore Fisheries Pilots — Proposal Form

Please note:

- Proposals should be completed on the appropriate form in line with the accompanying guidelines with supporting information as may be required.

- The selected area must be within the Scottish Marine Regions (http://www.gov.scot/Topics/marine/seamanagement/regional/Boundaries).

- Please be aware that Marine Scotland would expect Proposal Forms submitted to be made publically available.

- Proposals should be submitted to Marine Scotland by 30 September 2017.

Details

Group/organisation name: ARBROATH + MONTROSE INSHORE FISHING ASSOCIATION. STATIC GEAR

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Proposal Questions

1. Who is the recognised lead on the proposals, i.e. who is the primary point of contact?
   
   MR. ROBERT TEVIOTDALE

2. Please provide a background on the group proposing this pilot?

   Our group is Arbroath and Montrose Static Crew Association made up of creel fishermen from Arbroath Montrose and surrounding areas.

3. Please summarise your proposal, including other options that you have considered?

   Our proposal is to limit creel fishing by
   
   a) Creel Capping (see question 10)

   b) Permit Scheme which limits any new entrants into the proposed area for the period of the pilot Scheme

   c) Banning of Bemid Hens all year round.
4. Please indicate clearly the geographical area you wish to propose for consideration as a pilot area (please provide a chart/image clearly defining the area).

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5. How would you categorise your proposal. If you feel that none of these options are applicable please select ‘Other’.

- Localised approach to fisheries management
- Separating different methods of fishing
- Other

6. Are you aware of any statutory or voluntary arrangements already in place within your proposed pilot area?

No

7. Please outline any interaction you have had with the relevant Regional Inshore Fisheries Group (rIFG) in the
development of this proposal?

Contact & discussions have been made with:
Mr Ian Maddox (RIFG)
Mr Ian Watson (Marine Scotland)

8. What engagement have you had with any other groups or fishers working in your proposed pilot area in developing this proposal?

In general discussion with non members of the association they are in agreement with the proposal.

9. How many fishing vessels do you estimate currently work, both full and part time in the area proposed and how many will be involved in the pilot?

29 commercial vessels active in the proposed site

All 29 vessels would be involved.
10. Please clearly set out the management controls you would wish to see for the pilot and the rationale for each control proposed.

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<td>Prohibit landing of female berned hens at all times</td>
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<td>Capping creels</td>
<td>Sustainable fishing allowing stocks to flourish</td>
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Under 8m - 300 + 200 per man
8m - 10m - 400 + 200 per man
All other vessels - Not to exceed 800 per boat.

11. If your proposal involves limiting the number of vessels able to fish in the pilot area. Please outline:

a. On what basis vessels will be permitted access e.g.
method of fishing, vessel size, historical activity in the area (if so what would track record be)?
CreeFishingbyPermitholdersonly in the area withaproven track record for that specific area.
Other fishing vessels to be excluded that don't engage in Creel fishing.

b. Please outline your rationale for the basis for restricting access as outlined in question 11 (a)?
Restricted access to these vessels due to the destructive damage to stock while fishing.
Squid boats landing unregulated by-catches of Lobsters.

c. Would those entitled to fish in the pilot area be limited to fish there only? If the answer to this question is ‘no’ please outline why access to other areas is required and why the proposed pilot does not include these areas.
No.
Due to the seasonal fishing the fishing vessels will fish out with the 12 mile limit.
12. How do you propose oversight of this pilot project, should your application be successful? Do you envisage that a steering or monitoring group will be set up? How would this function?

To regulate and monitor this pilot scheme, a steering/monitoring group would have to be put in place. Communication between the fishermen involved and Marine Scotland would have to take place on a regular basis.

13. Please outline what you believe the direct and indirect benefits of your proposal will be?

Direct benefits would be healthier fish stocks and a more attractive career prospect for future fishermen.

Indirect benefits would be less income for a period of time.

14. Please outline any groups who you believe may be negatively impacted by your proposal and why?

Mobile Gear Fisherman as they would be restricted access to the area outlined.
15. Please outline the costs of your proposals both in terms of financial costs and resource costs.

No initial or on-going costs to the fishermun are foreseen.

16. Please outline any risks to the successful implementation of your proposals either in terms of the management or the overall return from fisheries impacted?

There could be initially for the proposed period less landings of shellfish but the overall census of the association is the 'bigger risk' if no action is taken at all to the industry.
17. Do you envisage the pilot management controls outlined in this proposal having any impact (positive or negative) outside of the area detailed in question 2?

No we do not envisage any difference to other areas outside the proposed area.

18. Do you know of any evidence to help support your proposals? For example research documents, previous schemes, personal records or observations you may wish to provide?

There is 'Pilot' schemes up and running in the Far North for Creel Capping

Creel Capping is in place in Northumberland already.

19. Is there any additional information which you have not