







North East coast wash up incidents
and recordings log October to December 2021

Date	Time	Area
30 th September 2021	12:06	South Gare, River Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
South Gare Sea fishing Facebook	On the social media platform member has asked why the dredger UKD ORCA had been dredging the same area since the 25 th September	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
5 th October 2021	15:00 – 18:00	South Gare, River Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Member of the public reported dead shellfish washed up in South Gare area	Shore officer went and patrolled the area reported, nothing to report in terms of dead shellfish, however lots of dead sea birds. 15 razor bills counted.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
7 th October	8:52	Tees Estuary
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Email received from the EA advising they will investigate reports from IFCOs of washed up shellfish at Bran Sands and around Paddy's Hole. IFCO had reported that the wash up was mostly shore crabs, a few edible crab and lots of cockles but no lobsters.	

Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
7 th October	9:49	Seaton Carew
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Email received from CEFAS informing of mass mortality of crabs washing up on the shore of Seaton Carew beach in Hartlepool. Reported to CEFAS by Hartlepool Council. Also have anecdotal reports of mixed species in the mortality and querying if NEIFCA have received similar reports. CEFAS requested samples of edible crabs to rule out any disease agents.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
8 th October 2021	9:00 – 11:00	Redcar Area (North Scaurs)
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers observed	Whilst on routine patrol shore officer found areas of dead shellfish on the beach washed up. These consisted of mainly edible and shore crabs and a few velvet crabs. Most of the shellfish was spasming and on their backs struggling to breathe.	
Supporting Evidence	Pictures and samples taken, Samples were of shellfish that were alive and placed in evidence bag and stored in lockable freezer awaiting testing. Joint working with the Environment Agency.	
Date	Time	Area
8 th October 2021	11:00 – 13:00	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers observed	Samples taken by officers of various shellfish, strong smelling	
Supporting Evidence	Pictures and samples taken, Samples were of shellfish that were alive and placed in evidence bag and stored in lockable freezer awaiting testing. Joint working with the Environment Agency. Large quantities of lobsters found dead in rockpools. Very strong toxic smell in the area. Lobsters and dead shellfish had very strong smells of toxic on dead ones.	
Date	Time	Area
11th October	12:03	
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	



Social Media (Facebook)	Reports of wash up at Spittal beach at Berwick with 50+ crabs and lobsters washed up with the rough weather. Lobsters measured head to tail were approximately 8-10 inches.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
8 th October 2021	11:00 – 13:00	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Tyre Bait collector face to face conversation	Conversation had by officers with male. Male has a LSP and told officers that he had rung the office reporting the issues of dead shellfish. Male stated he worked in the past for ICI and the dredger had done 24 hrs for 10 days and had disturbed something in the mud.	
Supporting Evidence	Dead shellfish seen by officers inside tyres set as bait traps.	
Date	Time	Area
10 th October	10:53	North & South Gare and Seaton Carew.
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Reports of dead lobsters (1.5lb male, 1lb female) on the rocks on North side of South Gare. Email also raises concern over other reports of dead lobster, large edible crabs, starfish and oyster catchers.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
12 th October	9:30	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fisherman phone call conversation	Phone call had with commercial fishermen who told shore officer that when fishing over the weekend he had encountered black bitumen like fluid on the water over wide areas. He said it stuck to his hands, pots and vessel. He had conversations with other fishermen who had reported 50% to 100% of keep pot graded shellfish dead. Weather was not rough or bad, conditions very good.	
Supporting Evidence	If fishermen find fluid again, he would take a sample for agencies	
Date	Time	Area
13 th October	9:30	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Whilst joint working with the MMO, officers spoke with a commercial fisherman who told officers that he had been getting human excrement on his pots when going to work them. He works his vessel inside the river and to the south of south Gare. Lobsters in side keep pots after soaking 24 hrs were dead so lobsters are no longer stored in keep pot.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area

13 th October	12:30	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Whilst joint working with the MMO, officers spoke with a commercial fisherman who told officers that he had been losing lots of shellfish from keep pots and were dead. This had recently occurred. Fishermen told officers that the dredger had been going to 30ft deeper than normal and all the sediment hadn't chance to settle due to working for 24hrs and 12 days.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
13 th October	13:00	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Whilst joint working with the MMO, officers spoke with a commercial fisherman who told officers that he had been losing lots of shellfish from keep pots and were dead. This had recently occurred. Fishermen told officers that the dredger had been going to 30ft deeper than normal and all the sediment hadn't chance to settle due to working for 24hrs and 12 days. Fishermen had stated that there was a bank side collapse. He was deeply concerned as none of the bait was even touched in his pots.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	


Date	Time	Area
18 th October	09:15	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Fisherman had brought his catch in which consisted of one lobster which out of three was the only one he could land. The others were berried and undersized. Fishermen was deeply upset and had worked 6 fleets 225 pots for what he had landed. Concerned over MMO recording app as it wouldn't log 0.5kg.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	10:00	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Fisherman works in the Marske area when at sea. Fishermen had changed his clothes on every trip due to smelling raw sewage. When the pots were shot back in the water, they would have a film on them. Fishermen stated that when he goes home and washes the salt off his face it seemed to activate something present on his skin from sea and he would smell of excrement.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	10:20	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
LSP vessel face to face conversation	LSP activity resulting in nothing alive at sea and bait not been touched in 7 days. This was concerning and males stated that crabs were still getting washed up dead.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	10:45	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Fishermen had been to keep pot to collect approximately 10 kilograms of lobsters and only 4 lobsters alive. Fisherman has fished Redcar since a boy and in 40 years never seen anything like this.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area


18 th October	11:15	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen face to face conversation	Fishermen landed 6 lobsters from 200 pots working inside and outside of 2NM. No lobsters or crabs inside 2NM, pot bait hadn't been touched. Fishermen stated when working fleet off Marske that there was human waste and tissue on his pots when he lifted them.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	12:00	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen / Merchant	Fishermen who is also a merchant and collects fishermen's shellfish had told shore officers that there was nothing been caught inside 2NM, lobsters and crabs had completely gone, bait was getting touched. Merchant stated that survival rate in the tanks was starting to decrease and had to start segregating tanks to areas.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	15:30	Longscarr Buoy, Seaton Carew
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen, Merchant phone call	Phone call with merchant who had just come off the phone from a friend who charters fishing and diving trips. Male had just come back from taking two commercial divers down to the buoy off longscarr. Divers stated seeing a	
	completely full sea bed of dead crustaceans. In parts very deep with shellfish. No photos were taken.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	17:00	South Gare Pier
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen phone call	Phone call with fishermen who had speaking with a friend of his who goes diving near the Gare Piers. Diver collects weighs and weighs them in. He stated seeing a completely full sea bed of dead crustaceans. Concerned of when big seas come washing it all on to the shores. No photos were taken.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
18 th October	17:00	South Gare Pier
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen phone call	Phone call with fishermen who had speaking with a friend of his who goes diving near the Gare Piers. Diver collects weighs and weighs them in. He stated seeing a completely full sea bed of dead crustaceans. Concerned of when big seas come washing it all on to the shores. No photos were taken.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
21 st October	15:00	Hartlepool
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen phone call	Phone call with fishermen who had stated that he was catching nothing in the pots and that shellfish was dead in the pots the week before it.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
22 nd October	9:00 -11:30	Skinningrove
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	

Social Media Platforms	Reports suggested wash up at Skinningrove after large seas for the previous two days. Shore officers patrolled the area and very small wash up noticed but very small and possibly weather related looking at the conditions of the washed-up shellfish.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
22 nd October	09:30 – 11:30	Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media Platforms	Reports suggested wash up at Saltburn after large seas for the previous two days. Shore officers patrolled the area and nothing was seen.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
22 nd October	12:00	Staithes
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Fish Merchant at Staithes	Dropped in to speak with the merchant at Staithes. He had to segregate all areas of district into tanks. The lobsters from the south Gare area were really struggling and were going on their backs, spasming, struggling to breathe. When lobsters were taken out of the tanks, they became more alive. When lobster was then put back in the tank within a couple of minutes it was dead. This was witnessed by shore officers. Lobster was taken as sample. Merchant was very concerned and worried and stated he was losing between 20 and 40kg a day of lobsters. Merchant had spoken with Environment Health at SBC and they told merchant he would be ok because it was fresh water that had come down the river. Merchant not happy with response especially how oxygenated the water in the tanks is.	
	Merchant has had no communications or interaction with any other agencies other than NEIFCA shore officers.	
Supporting Evidence	Sample taken of dead lobster in evidence bag and stored in secure freezer. Report in as intel and notify MMO and Environment Agency	
Date	Time	Area
24 nd October	16:00	Marske - Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media Platforms, Teesside Coastal Wildlife	Reports suggesting huge wash up of dead crabs and shellfish on the beaches of Marske towards Saltburn. Lots of comments and shares seen. Blames on the dredging activities, chemical spills and the weather. MP for Redcar and Cleveland involved on social media and to levy at the houses of parliament.	

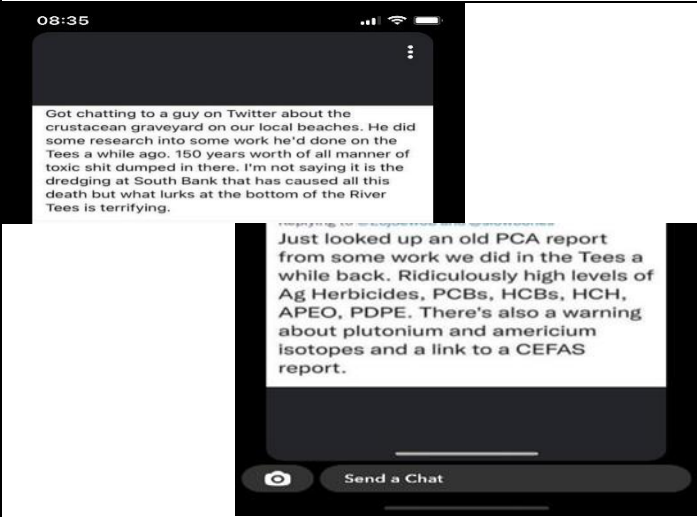
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
25th October	09:30 – 12:30	Saltburn – Marske Beaches
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
NEIFCA officers, MMO and Environment Agency	Reports suggested wash up at Saltburn and Marske. Working in partnership with other agencies. Large pockets of dead shellfish and fish (flatties) seen on the beaches with lots of washed-up seaweed. There were no rotting smells on the beach. When pockets were approached there was strong toxic, chemical smells coming from the areas. Samples taken of shellfish and fish as some were still alive but spasming in and struggling to breathe. No Seabirds only crows were eating the dead shellfish.	
Supporting Evidence		


Date	Time	Area
25 th October	9:32	Redcar to Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
(member of public)	Email received highlighting concern over dead and dying crabs washed up between Redcar and Saltburn. Reports of crabs having extremely brittle limbs even younger crabs. Querying what tests are currently being carried out and where the results can be found or when they will be available to the public.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	

Date	Time	Area
25 th October	12:30 -13:30	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media Platforms	Reports suggested porpoises had been washed up at South Gare, unsure if weather related or related with the other aquatic deaths. No sign for the carcass when looking in the area.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
25 th October	13:30 -14:30	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers observed	Whilst down at South Gare groups were seen collecting dead shellfish in buckets and taking them away from the beach promptly.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
25 th October	11:10	Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Email from highlighting concern over the large numbers of dead lobster, crab, razor clams etc along the beach at Saltburn that day. Speculating the possibility of dredging in the Tees being the cause of these mortalities and noting that a merchant in Staithes is not accepting lobsters from the Tees area.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
25 th October	17:00	Marske
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social media platforms	Observed on Facebook sites, Love Whitby, Beautiful Whitby, Teesside Coastal Wildlife, angling sites, Redcar Alert, Teesside Live, Incidents in Teesside, Northern Echo huge concerns for the volume of shellfish being washed up and no mention if danger to humans and or animals on the beach. Public are still believing sewage, chemical spill and or the dredger is to be caused.	
Supporting Evidence	Intel submitted	
Date	Time	Area
26 th October	9:30 – 11:00	Seaton Carew Beach
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
IFCO officers on the ground	Whilst on routine patrol on the beach at Seaton Carew witnessed by officers was large quantities of sanitary towels and tampons. There were no alive crabs out of the pockets of dead washed up ones. Beach closest to the wall and furthest away from the waterline strong smells of sewage and brown in colour was the sand and not wet. Strong toxic smell amongst the dead shellfish.	

Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
26th October	11:35	Seaton Carew
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call from Environment Agency worker	has been working on the case with officers, was at Seaton Carew the day before and collected dyeing shellfish. She stated there was no sewage seen and that what had been seen by IFCO's needed reporting it to the Environment agency hotline 0800807060.	
Supporting Evidence	Phone call with EA call handler at 17:05 incident ref no	

Date	Time	Area
26th October	9:30 – 11:00	Seaton Carew
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
IFCO Officers on the ground	Member of the public spoke with officers and told them he used to work in the treatment plant for sewage on the tees and everything seen on the beach today would be from the treatment plant.	
Supporting Evidence	Reported as intel	
Date	Time	Area
26th October	12:00	Parliament
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social media	MP for Redcar and Cleveland posted on social media being in the houses of parliament, MP asks the fisheries minister for answers and help regarding the crustaceans being washed up. Fisheries minister had no knowledge of incidents.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
26th October	16:00	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call from Commercial fishermen	Fishermen had worked over 200 pots and had landed small number of lobsters again. Fishing was at 1.8 -2.4NM off shore. Two of the lobsters landed were weak so given to the fishermen's grandad. Fishermen's grandad cooked them and on cutting them up they stunk of toxins and had black silt pour out of them.	
Supporting Evidence	Reported as Intel	
Date	Time	Area
26th October	15:00	Staithes
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call from merchant at Staithes	Concerns raising that no agency other than NEIFCA have got in touch with him and raising the concerns of if safe to sell to public. No answers yet. Merchant worried as reports of sewage smells at bottom of Staithes. This would leave the merchant with two vessels fishing out of Whitby. Merchant had been speaking to other Merchants around the country and one in Scotland had said he had seen similar issues not to the scale on the north east and that was down to green algae. Merchant thanked shore officers for work and understanding of concerns to date.	
Supporting Evidence	Reported as Intel	
Date	Time	Area
26th October	17:25	Staithes


Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call to the Environment Agency Regarding fishing activities from	Environment agency hotline 0800807060 contacted on behalf of commercial fishermen who had rung up regarding pots from Staithes to Saltburn having no alive shellfish in them. Lots of washed in dead shellfish as well as graded shellfish recently died. When fishermen worked pots from Staithes to Runswick bay in 5 to 25 fathom of water all he could smell when doing the pots was very strong sewage.	
Supporting Evidence	Phone call with EA call handler at 17:25 incident ref no	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	09:30 – 11:30	Marske
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers observed	Whilst on the beach of Marske walking to the beaches of Saltburn, still observed was large pockets of washed-up shellfish. The seaweed did not smell. Pockets containing dead shellfish are smelling more toxic than the previous couple of days. No more alive to dyeing shellfish seen.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	12:00	Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media, Twitter	Seen on social media today was a male who had done work before in the tees on an old PCA report	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
27th October	17:15	Skinningrove
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Seen on social media Teesside Coastal wildlife	Observed on social media recently seen at Skinningrove was a wash up of dead crustaceans. Also seen on the beaches was dead shellfish. There was a picture of a dead cormorant.	


Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
27th October	12:30	Redcar Supermarket
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officer's observations	Whilst at the supermarket today on work break, seen on the newsagents stands the press news papers had put on the front of the papers. Headline "PROBE INTO DEATH OF CRABS"	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	14:30	Saltburn to Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call from Environment Agency	Phone call received from Environment Agency; Phone call was from a pollution manager who was following up the call ref. Manager was told the information in chronological order as she had been told nothing about any of the	



	reports of possible pollution and the dead marine life. Manger not happy that information had not been share inside the Environment agency. Follow up and escalation of the situation was going to be raised along with a public press release. Manager thanked officers for work and support undertaken so far and logging reporting into the 0800 number. Concerns over possible spread and dispersal along the coast as it appears from the Environment Agency's angle.	
Supporting Evidence	Partnership Working	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	20:00	Worldwide
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
CNN NEWS	Seen on CNN news in America online news site, interview undertaken with resident. News of the wash ups and dead shellfish is having ripple affect and spreading across to other countries news channels.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	23:30	Worldwide
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media, Facebook, Teesside coastal wildlife	The following was on social media on the site Teesside coastal wildlife. UPDATE ON MARSKE/SALTBURN BEACH INCIDENT: I've spent the last two days doing interviews with reporters, marine and conservation groups from all over the UK and internationally. Literally just finished one with a reporter in Norway and CNN! Some very interesting conversations on the outcome of dredging, seismic testing and other issues in other parts of the UK and the world that are already been queried. I am so pleased this is getting the attention it deserves, with enough people asking questions and pushing surely an answer will come. If it is manmade, will prevent this from happening again and people are held accountable.	



Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
28th October	09:30 – 11:00	Marske / Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers observed	Whilst on the beach of Marske walking to the beaches of Saltburn, still observed was large pockets of washed-up shellfish. The seaweed did not smell. Pockets containing dead shellfish are smelling more toxic than the previous couple of days. No more alive to dyeing shellfish seen. Some shellfish were getting covered in Sand. Crabs inside shells all showing bright blue colours.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	11:15	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen	Officers had a conversation with the owner and skipper of the commercial fishing vessel skipper stated nothing alive inside 3 NM. Fished outside of 3NM and some shellfish was alive but some still dead. Reports of Keep pots not keeping lobsters alive. Landings are really low and owner and skipper now have only two fleets in the sea. Skipper is a recreational angler as well and reported fishing other areas around the affected areas and whatever has affected the shellfish hasn't seemed to of affected fish such as cod and whiting. Owner used to work in the ports and believed the dredger had unearthed something from dredging from the spoils of industry.	



Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
27th October	11:45	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Conversation with fisherman	Conversation had with commercial fishermen who is also the secretary of the commercial fishermen's association of Redcar. Fishermen has stated previous smells on his gloves, face and pots. Reports of catches really low still and nothing inside 2.5NM alive reported.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
28th October	17:22	ITV NEWS Marske, Saltburn, Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
ITV NEWS	On ITV news broadcasts seen from local resident reporting thousands of dead shellfish being washed up. Commercial Owner of seen commenting on the news and stating that his and others catches are down by 95%	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
28 th October	20:25	Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Email from inquiring whether water samples have been taking and querying the possibility of dredging activity in the Tees being the cause of the shellfish mortalities. Highlights that the Tees has industrial waste deposits dating back 150 years and that Monsanto (now Ineos) had a factory on the North side of the Tees in the 1960's making herbicides.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
28 th October	20:24	N/A
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	


(via email)	Email from stating they had come across the wash up incidents around the Tees in the media (CNN and BBC articles) and raised concern over the potential cumulative effects of the nuclear power station in Hartlepool.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
28 th October	22:11	Staithe
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Reports from member of the public of large numbers of crabs in rock pools on their backs and clearly weaker than usual. Almost every rock pool had several crabs like this and all crabs were seen on their backs. contacted the EA but was advised to contact NEIFCA as there were no clear signs of pollution (e.g. odour or contaminants).	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
29th October	20:00	Marske
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
TV BBC AUTUMN WATCH	On BBC Autumn watch the reported wash up of dead shellfish and fish was put on the programme and aired to the public.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
29th October	20:59	N/A
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Email received from highlighting a similar situation experienced in North Wales, where North Wales water wanted to semi-solidify all of Manchester and Liverpool's industrial waste and disposed of the waste off the coast of Anglesey. He reported that the ebb tide took it through and around 20 million oysters were lost. This also meant the end of the Brynsiencyn Oyster Hatchery. Email also mentions his experience working in Abu Dhabi where it was speculated that toxic waste was dumped overboard in the '90's which left coral and reef fish dead or gone. Below is an image received of a film on the sea that witnessed during this time.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
31 st October	13:10	Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Reports of a large deep water dredger working 24/7 for 2-3 weeks at the end of September in the mouth of the Tees and disposing of spoils 4-5 miles out. Dredger was suggested to have been from PD Ports preparing a deeper channel for larger vessels for the "Freeport". Fisherman speculated that the dredger may have disturbed 150 years of industrial waste that would have sedimented as the river Tees lost velocity upon meeting the open sea.	

Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
1 st November	11:32	N/A
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Merchant	Email received raising concern over the recent wash up of dead shellfish, the unknown source of these mortalities and the possibility that the speculated contamination has expanded southward and may reach Whitby and Scarborough. requests information and advice on what steps the government agencies are taking to monitor the risks to local business and public health, if the source of contamination will be disclosed to the public when it is identified, what investigations are underway and what guidance is being offered from NEIFCA and other government agencies.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
2 nd November	All day	Redcar, Saltburn and Marske
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Press Release	Press release issued by the environment Agency on updates of dead crustaceans, no final conclusions and tests still on going. Social media groups not happy with the press release issued.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
2 nd November	09:30 – 11:30	Middleton Hartlepool
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media	Reports on social media of a wash up of 100 dead crabs in the Middleton Hartlepool area. Public reporting that they were attempting to put the shellfish on their fronts from their backs as the shellfish were on their backs twitching.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
2nd November	14:49	Skinningrove
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
IFCO Officer	Offshore crew came alongside vessel in the North of the District. Skipper was keen to show the dead and dying shellfish he was removing from his pots. His positions was approximately 3nm North of Skinningrove. A sample of shellfish was taken and placed in Evidence bags, now in secure storage. Below are photographs taken of a proportion of the dead shellfish.	
Supporting Evidence		

		
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	All day	Marske, Redcar and Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
Social Media MP	MP had put on his social media the updated press release issued by the Environment Agency. Public not happy with the outcome and believe there is a cover up and blaming the wind turbines seismic activities.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	All day	Hartlepool
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
Member of Public	Reports of dead and dying crabs off Marine Drive.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
4th November	12:34	South Gare
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
	Reports of deep-water bucket dredger "Heortnesse" owned by PD Ports operating at the end of September off of South Gare. Friends of source fishing near the disposal site reported the sea to be covered in dead guillemots and seabirds. Concerns over potential implication of this on grey seal populations especially due to pupping season.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	12:30 – 13:00	Hartlepool
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
Officers on the ground	Reports from members of the public on shellfish being washed up on the headland. Officer observed 50 -75 crabs washed up. One crab was on back twitching, taken as a sample.	

		
Supporting Evidence	Sample crab taken which was on its back twitching	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	15:00	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Conversation with commercial fishermen in Whitby	Commercial fishermen told officers that he had been down to Runswick Bay with other commercial fishermen who had witnessed hundreds of dead crabs, most of the crabs were on their backs twitching. Fishermen tried to put them back on their front.	
Supporting Evidence	Reported as Intel	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	All day	Saltburn
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media Beach Cleaning in Saltburn	Observed on social media beach cleaning in Saltburn, reports of more dead shellfish — 🙄 feeling concerned at Saltburn Beach.	
		
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	10:30 – 11:00	Hartlepool
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Commercial Fishermen	Officers had a conversation with commercial fishermen who reported to officers that bait collectors reporting strong smells of chlorine near the power plant, strong enough to cause headaches and bleared vision.	
Supporting Evidence	Reported as Intel	
Date	Time	Area
4 th November	All Day	Social Media
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	


<p>Social Media Millom Coastguard</p>	<p>Seen on social media the Millom Coastguard had advertised a poisonous vegetable that has been washing up on beaches. Currently no sighting of any around the affected areas as yet.</p> <div data-bbox="738 456 1394 987" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  <p>Millom Coastguard Rescue Team 1 November at 11:44</p> <p>*** SAFETY WARNING ***</p> <p>Please be aware that we have received reports of a highly poisonous plant being washed up on local beaches. So far there have been confirmed sightings at Millom and St Bees.</p> <p>Hemlock Water Dropwort (<i>Oenanthe crocata</i>), also known as Dead Man's Fingers. Even a small portion can prove fatal to humans by attacking the nervous system. It is also fatal to animals. The plant has a highly poisonous root that looks, and smells, like Parsnip.</p> <p>It is highly likely that this is happening due to the aftermath of recent stormy weather. We advise people, especially with children and animals, to stay vigilant, avoid this plant and take extra care when visiting the beach.</p> </div>	
<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>NA</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>4th November</p>	<p>All Day</p>	<p>Social Media</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation / report /evidence captured</p>	
<p>Social Media Sea Fishing North East</p>	<p>Seen on social media reports of hundreds of dead crabs been washed up on the beaches of Runswick Bay.</p> <p>Runswick Bay. Hundreds of dead crabs here as well as on many other of our North east beaches!! I have never seen anything like this! Testing has been underway since the 4th October. Anyone aware of results related to this? Seems to be taking a long time!!!</p> <div data-bbox="596 1373 1477 1912" style="border: 1px solid black; padding: 5px;">  </div>	
<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>NA</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>5th November</p>	<p>09:30 – 11:30</p>	<p>Redcar</p>

Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media	<p>Observed on social media, reports of more dead or dying shellfish on Redcar beaches.</p> <p>About a 100 dead and dying crabs and lobsters this morning near cinema. But what I found weird was a few edible were alive so I picked them up to put them back in the sea and their claws just fell off. I hadn't touched their claws. I know they can loose their claws but if was odd the way it happened.</p> 	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
5 th November	09:30 – 11:30	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the ground	<p>Following reports of dead or dying shellfish on the beaches at Redcar officers went on to the beaches at Redcar. Areas were observed and dead shellfish was seen one lobster and edible crab on back and twitching witch officers collected for sampling.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	Sampling taken.	
Date	Time	Area
5 th November	11:30 – 12:30	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the ground	<p>Observed was one Chinese male shore gathering, male came off with around 4 kilograms of mussels. Officers strongly recommended for male not to take mussels to eat based on samples taken and tests been run in the area. Male understood and complied with recommendations.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
5 th November	10:30 – 11:30	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Chairman of the Redcar recreational fishing club	<p>Conversation with male who is the chairman of the Redcar recreational fishing club. He stated to officers that when bait digging in the last month, he and others in the club are reporting that worms aren't lasting much than a few hours alive and dyeing. They have never experienced this before.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
7 th November	On tides ebbing	Sandsend
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Social Media Platforms	<p>Comments on social media stating that small wash ups of dead shellfish being seen down near sandsend ness on the rocks.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
7 th November	On tides ebbing	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	

Social Media Platforms	Comments on social media stating that small wash ups of dead shellfish being seen down near Runswick Bay on the beach.	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
8 th November	09:30 – 12:30	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol	Seen by officers walking down in the area when not at work quantities of shellfish washed up on shore. Quantities of crabs mainly and varied species predominantly small in size.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
8 th November	7:30 – 12:30	Various locations around the Tees
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Fisheries protection vessel	Asked by the Environment Agency NEIFCA undertook sample areas taking samples from top and bottom of water samples. Environment Agency were on Runswick Bay during the day taking samples of the washed-up areas and NEIFCA officers gave the environment Agency the water samples taken	
Supporting Evidence	Water samples given to Environment Agency	
Date	Time	Area
8 th November	14:00	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Conversation with fishermen from a phone call received	Phone call to officers by fishermen that stated fishing vessel mad kat has fished various fleets over the weekend and had very poor landings. Fishermen reporting going to sea and coming back with single figure landings	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
9 th November	12:00 – 14:30	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Jointly Working	Joint working with the MMO officers from North and South teams. Samples of shore crabs and edible crabs taken by officers and stored in freezer. Crabs seen were twitching and on backs	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
10 th November	12:00	Redcar - Staithes
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Phone call from merchant to officers	Phone call received from a very angry and frustrated stated that he wanted answers as he was selling to the public and no advice from any agency had been given. reported having a dozen lobsters on their backs which he had separated and these lobsters had been on their backs for other two weeks. wants the sea bed checking to see if this is the case for all the shellfish. He reported that catches were still well down and fishermen were thinking of selling up due to the financial strains of landings. had worked a fleet off Saltburn and reported that every pot in the fleet was busting with dead crabs and lobsters and never seen this before.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
11 th November	All day	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Jointly Working with CEFAS	Joint working with CEFAS officers nothing seen on the beach at Runswick all dead crabs appeared to of been washed away.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
11 th November	All day	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Jointly Working	Joint working with CEFAS officers, conversations had with fishermen at Redcar,	

with CEFAS	reports of landings down, Skipper off told officers that he had been getting sized and undersized crabs coming up in the pots and they were all on their backs twitching. CEFAS officers took samples of live edible crabs from fishing vessel	
Supporting Evidence	Live edible crabs for sampling	
Date	Time	Area
11 th November	All day	Staithes
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Jointly Working with CEFAS	Joint working with CEFAS officers at merchants' tanks at Staithes, CEFAS officers looked at all the tanks and had conversations with the merchant. Merchant supplied CEFAS with live lobsters and edible crabs to take for sampling	
Supporting Evidence	Live lobsters and edible crabs for sampling	
Date	Time	Area
11 th November	All day	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Jointly Working with CEFAS	Joint working with CEFAS officers at Whitby facilities, CEFAS took samples from the lives shellfish to be sent away for further testing.	
Supporting Evidence	Further testing in labs to follow	
Date	Time	Area
12 th November	All day	Whitby and Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol,	Two fishermen from two different areas of the coast both reported a few dogs had recently died from eating the washed-up crabs from the beaches	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
12 th November	All day	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Fishermen	Fishermen and crew told officers that they had started to see edible crabs in the pots and these were on their backs and showing signs of twitching	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
12 th November	All day	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on patrol, Fishermen	Fishermen told officers that they had been to sea and fished fleets inside the bell bouy and landed a crab from the fleet.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
15 th November	All day	Redcar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Message left for officers	Merchant at Staithes told officers that boats had been netting over the weekend and there was no crabs at all in the nets and very few fish were caught. From landings over the weekend from Redcar and South gare it appears nothing is alive inside 2NM. Merchant had also said that a diver had gone down the south Gare pier diving for lead and close to the pier he had encountered lots of dead and on their back's shellfish.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	All day	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Message left at NEIFCA	Fishermen who had been fishing off Ravenscar at the weekend on walking along Stoupe brow to Ravenscar there was large quantities of dead and dying shellfish. The shellfish were on their backs and described as spasming.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	10:47	Robin Hood's Bay – Raven Hall side

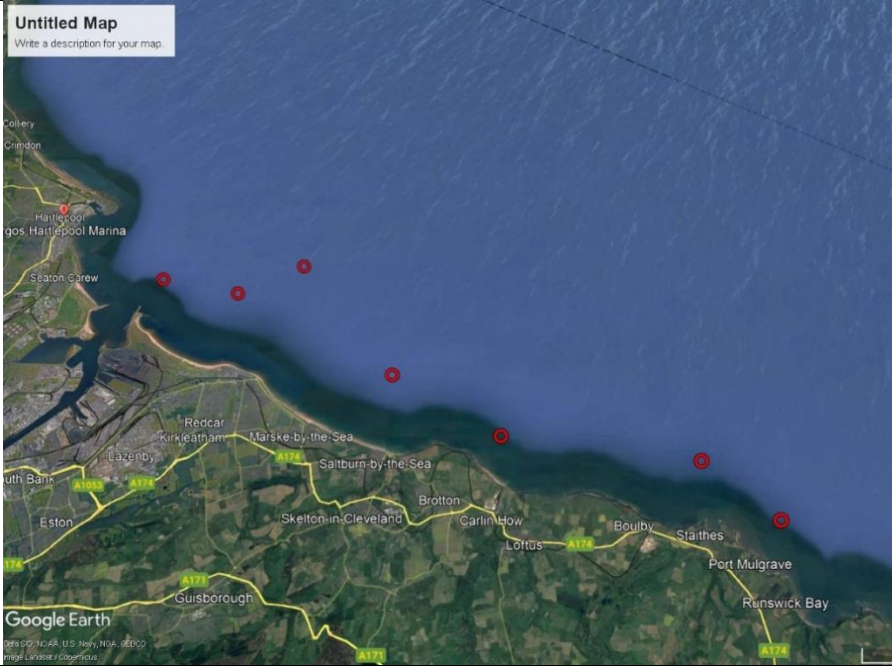
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	Call into NEIFCA office reporting of a wash up in Robin Hood's Bay at the Raven Hall side last night with lots of live shellfish on the beach.	
Supporting Evidence	No	
Date	Time	Area
16th November	10:47	Robin Hood's Bay – Raven Hall side
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
– fisherman (via email)	<p>Email received from Redcar fisherman requesting more information on what action has been taken regarding the shellfish wash up. Asking in particular:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - If any seabed camera footage has been gathered in Redcar & Tees area since the wash up? - If the ROV has been used to gather evidence in the Redcar, Tees? shellfish incidents. If this has not been done, he would like to know why and if it has been done, he would like to know if the footage is available? - How many staff are trained and qualified to operate the ROV? - How many times it has been used to gather information in your districts? - How much did the SeaBotic ROV cost the NEIFCA? 	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
16th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper with MMO, Skipper not happy and no lobster landed on landing. No signs of live in the areas of fishing reported. Skipper reported more and more crabs have purple dots on their under shells.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper with MMO, Skipper has never seen anything like this before and is now having to fish on the 3NM to catch anything. The fleets inside aren't showing any undersized, any hermits or fish. Skipper deeply concerned and had witnessed shellfish in the pots twitching and dyeing.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper with MMO, skipper has moved pots further south away from Saltburn after catching dead shellfish all the time. Fishermen since moving south and fishing outside of the 3NM hasn't found anymore dead or dying shellfish.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper with MMO, Skipper not happy and very frustrated, no communication from any agency. Attempts made by skipper to various agencies and not heard anything back. Very small brief given to the skipper stating that due to such a wide range of incidents and timelines there are lots of agencies looking into the incidents and lots of samples of been taken and tests are still been undertaken. Skipper given the Environment Agency 0800 number to ring and report incidents.	

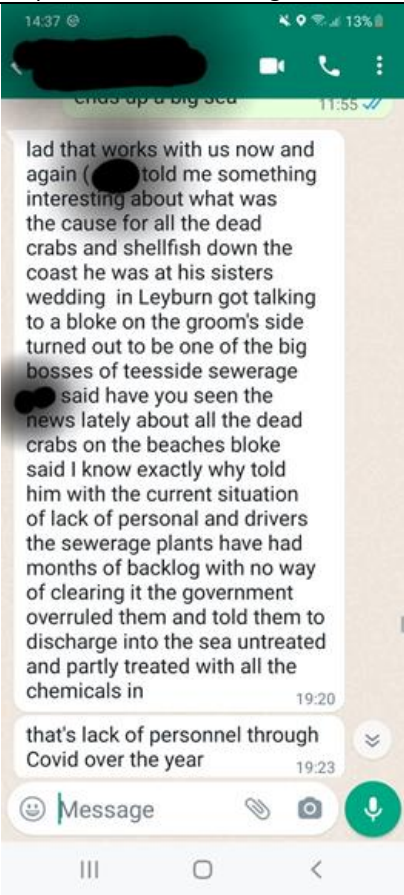

Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Skipper from was very vocal when landing and shouting that he knew that it was a dredger that had caused all the problems and he had contacted the Environment Agency who had told him that the dredger shouldn't of dumped in the sea and should of dumped it on landfill.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper, Skipper not seen any dead or dying shellfish in pots and has moved some of his gear outside and brought some ashore.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	12:00 – 16:30	Whitby
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on the fish quay, Conversation with skipper of	Conversation with skipper, Skipper continually seeing dead and very exhaustive crabs in the pots. Skipper stated that he had to fish outside of 2 NM to get any chance of catching anything.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
16 th November	14:00	Stoupe Beck
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
IFCOs SMa & DG	Officers visited Stoupe Beck to investigate after the report from yesterday regarding a shellfish wash up. Officers reported signs of shellfish washed up down at Stoupe Beck but were unable to cover a large area due to incoming tide.	
Supporting Evidence		



Date	Time	Area
16 th November	16:00	NEIFCA district
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Senior Env & Scientific Officer – Tim Smith	<p>Tim advised that he has been in contact with the following groups to circulate the EA’s communications message and engage with industry:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Redcar Fishermen’s Association -Whitby Fishermen’s Association - Regional Fisheries Group - Key Individual Fishermen in the affected areas (inc. Scarborough) <p>There will also be a meeting with Whitby Fishermen’s Association on Wednesday 18th November to communicate the message from the EA and engage with industry regarding the shellfish wash up events. This will be attended by Chief Officer David McCandless.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
17 th November	00:13	Horden Beach
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Member of public via email.	<p>Email received from a member of the public reporting that he had found a pile of dumped edible crabs at Horden Beach recently. He attached the following link to a video of the crabs he came across (link redacted due to GDPR)</p>	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
17 th November	09:00 -11:30	Ravenscar
Person, platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
Officers on Patrol	<p>Officers patrolled Stoupe Brow to Ravenscar and didn’t find much dead or dying shellfish which was reported.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
19 th November	09:00 – 10:30	Scarborough
Person, Platform reported	Conversation / report /evidence captured	
	<p>Fishermen stated to officers that the fishing vessel had been fishing off Hayburn Wyke area and had reported crabs twitching in the pots.</p>	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
19 th November	09:30 – 11:00	Scalby Mills
Person, Platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
Fishermen and members of the	<p>Fishermen and members of the public reported in that there was dead crab</p>	

public	seen washed up at Scalby Mills. Officers investigated the area, and the crabs were edibles and shells only from someone cutting the crabs up for cart (bait)	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
19 th November	11:00	Robin Hoods Bay
Person, Platform reported	Conversation / report / evidence captured	
Members of the public	Reports that large quantities of crabs had washed up at Robin Hoods Bay, officers attended the area and scanned the area up to the tidal line and covering as far as boggle hole. Nothing seen washed up or dead on the beach, scaurs.	
Supporting Evidence	NA	
Date	Time	Area
23 rd November	18:00	Bridlington
Person, Platform reported	Conversation/ report/evidence captured	
Merchant Coastal Shellfish	Conversation had with the merchant of coastal shellfish as some of his boats work towards Flamborough and none of his boats report not seeing any dead shellfish.	
Supporting evidence		
Date	Time	Area
23 rd November	16:45	Bridlington
Person, Platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
(CEFAS)	Samples of lobster and crab obtained from local merchant, Independent Shellfishermen's Cooperative Ltd in Bridlington for collection by (CEFAS). 1 box of lobster (2.6kg) and 2 boxes of crab (14kg) provided to CEFAS for further testing. from CEFAS also mentioned that he would be surveying a few of the sites where wash ups had been reported previously while he was up in the NEIFCA district.	
Supporting evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
24 th November	8:36 – 11:18	Coastal waters from Seaton Carew to Port Mulgrave
Person, Platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
Senior Environmental & Scientific Officer Tim Smith	<p>Senior Environmental & Scientific Officer and Offshore crew deployed drop-down cameras to capture footage from the seabed. The spyball camera was deployed at seven sites along the coast from Seaton Carew to Port Mulgrave. The visibility during sampling was poor. The coordinates of locations were the drop-down camera footage was captured are listed below:</p> <p>08:36 54 39 26N 001 07 37W 08:58 54 39 02N 001 04 35W 09:10 54 39 49N 001 01 75W 09:58 54 36 51N 000 57 76W 10:26 54 34 83N 000 53 76W 11:04 54 34 49N 000 47 26W 11:18 54 33 33N 000 45 03W</p>	

<p>Supporting evidence</p>		
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>24th November</p>	<p>10:00 –11:00</p>	<p>Runswick Bay</p>
<p>Person, Platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation / report / evidence captured</p>	
<p>Officers on the ground</p>	<p>On patrol on the ground at Runswick Bay small quantities of small edibles and shore crabs on the beach, birds were and are pecking at the shells and no remains of living crabs seen</p>	
<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>NA</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>24th November</p>	<p>15:00</p>	<p>Staithes, Markse, Saltburn, Redcar</p>
<p>Person, Platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation / report / evidence captured</p>	
<p>Merchant, Staithes AB shellfish</p>	<p>Phone call received from merchant who told officers that the EH had been round doing 6 monthly check and nothing was concerning them. They told merchant that if shellfish was dead, it was easier to identify and not to sell.</p> <p>The merchant had lobsters in his tank still going on to their backs and twitching. The merchant reported that a couple of Redcar boats who fish in the Saltburn, Markse areas are still seeing dead and alive twitching crabs and lobsters in the pots. The fishermen are still getting lobsters and crabs dyeing in the keep pots after catching them alive. CEFAS had been in touch with the merchant and told him agencies were to learn to better communicate together and no findings had come back from the tests undertaken a few weeks ago for disease in the shellfish. Merchant is still very concerned, and the weather predicted over the next few days is going to cause large seas and potential for further wash ups to occur in the areas already being affected.</p>	
<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>NA</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>24th November</p>	<p>13:50</p>	<p>Runswick Bay</p>
<p>Person, Platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report / evidence captured</p>	
<p>(CEFAS)</p>	<p>Message received from (CEFAS) to say that he had gathered 5 samples from Runswick Bay that were moribund to use for testing.</p>	
<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>N/A</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>26th November</p>	<p>14:42</p>	<p>Teesside</p>
<p>Person, Platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/report / evidence captured</p>	
<p>Recreational fisherman via email</p>	<p>Email received from recreational fisherman with attached screenshot of</p>	

	WhatsApp message from an anonymous contact regarding the cause of the wash up of shellfish in the region. See below.	
Supporting Evidence		
Date	Time	Area
28/11/2021 - 29/11/2021	-	Marske
Person, Platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
Local fisherman	Reports from local fisherman of washed-up shrimp on the beach in Marske, all seemed to be dead.	
Supporting evidence		





Date	Time	Area
29 th November	-	Runswick
Person, platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
Member of public	contacted the office to report that hundreds of octopus have been washed-up on the beach in Runswick Bay	
Supporting Evidence	N/A	
Date	Time	Area
1 st December	10:00	Runswick Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
IFCO	Officer on the ground reported sighting washed-up octopus, spoke with local dog walkers who advised they had seen hundreds of octopus washed up on the beach. Officer advised it was difficult to assess the number of octopus washed-up due to tide as hard to access some areas of the beach. The officer took samples of large octopus from the wash-up.	



Supporting Evidence



Date	Time	Area
2 nd December	11:09	Teeside – Majuba slipway
Person, platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
Social media	Officer DG sent through below screenshot of social media post, dated 28/11/2021 reporting that there appeared to be oil on the beach between west of Majuba slipway and eastwards towards tuned in. Post also mentions a dead razor bill and two wooden piles.	

<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>Hi, i have been on the beach this morning and it looks like there is what appears to be oil on the beach between west of majuba slipway and on eastwards towards tuned in. There was also a dead razor bill not far from mujuba and two massive pieces of wood which looked like piles that are driven into the ground to make a firm foundation for building on, one is near warrenby.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> Like Share </p> <p style="text-align: center; border: 1px solid gray; padding: 2px;">To request to participate, update your app or use the new Facebook on a computer.</p> <p style="text-align: center;"> 5 Most Recent </p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>3rd December</p>	<p>11:12</p>	<p>Hartlepool headland beach</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Member of the public</p>	<p>Email received from member of the public reporting that they had seen a was up of 30-40 dead octopus on the beach at Hartlepool headland opposite Marine Drive.</p>	
<p>Supporting evidence</p>		
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>3rd December</p>	<p>12:10</p>	<p>Littlehaven, South Shields</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Social media</p>	<p>Social media post (facebook) on The Fishermans Locker group reporting that the beach in littlehaven, South Shields was littered with dead octopus.</p>	

<p>Supporting Evidence</p>	<p>walking the beach littlehaven , south shields, littered with octopus.</p>  <p>🙄 1 1 Comment</p> <p>👍 Like 💬 Comment 📧 Send</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>6th December</p>	<p>10:00</p>	<p>Runswick</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Fishermen, social media posts (Facebook)</p>	<p>Fisherman reported that he fished at Runswick and saw no crabs in the rockpools. Also reported seeing green shore crab, edible crab, velvet crabs and spider crabs all on their backs bubbling at the mouth and twitching, as well as two dead octopi on the beach.</p>	
<p>Supporting evidence</p>	<p>Fished hillstones at runswick tonight, not a single crab in any of the rock pools. On our way off there were green, edible, velvets and spider crabs all on their backs bubbling at the mouth and twitching, 2 dead octopus on the beach, not in the numbers that were seen at maske or redcar but there was a few.</p> <hr/> <p style="text-align: center;">👍 Like 💬 Comment</p> <p>👍 🙄 🙄 3 All Comments ▼</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>6th December</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>-</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Article by stopthesethings.com posted on social media page (Facebook)</p>	<p>Social media post sharing an article titled “Stunned still: offshore wind farm power cables lave crabs mesmerised & motionless” by stopthesethings.com website. With members of public posting speculative comments on the post linking the North East crab and lobster mortalities and wash up with offshore power cables.</p>	

<p>Supporting evidence</p>	 <p>Trawlerphotos.co.uk ▶ Trawler photos community 16 hrs · 🌐</p> <p>STOPTHESETHINGS.COM Stunned Still: Offshore Wind Farm Power Cables Leave Crabs Mesmerised & Motionless</p> <p>Has anyone 🤔 thought about all these crustaceans wash up dead along our N E & East coast might have summat to do with this 🤔 ?? . If its been noted to mesmerise Brown Crabs doesnt anybody else think it didnt happen apart from when there were storms until the bloody Windmill farms appeared????</p> <p>13 hrs Like Reply More</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>7th December</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>South Gare & Whitby</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Social media posts from South Gare sea fishing group (Facebook)</p>	<p>Social media post in the South Gare sea fishing group by a Whitby based fisherman requesting for as much information as possible about the wash up of crab and lobster (e.g. location, size etc) to create a timeline. Additional comments on this post from other fishers, including a comment that reported a similar event in Falmouth in previous years which was speculated to be caused by overflow from old mines.</p>	
<p>Supporting evidence</p>	<p>Images redacted due to GDPR</p>	
<p>Date</p>	<p>Time</p>	<p>Area</p>
<p>7th December</p>	<p>-</p>	<p>Marske by the Sea</p>
<p>Person, platform reported</p>	<p>Conversation/ report/ evidence captured</p>	
<p>Social media post (Facebook)</p>	<p>Post shared to the Markse by the Sea facebook group of a link to the Environmental Agency's latest update on the crab and lobster mortality events, including that chemical pollution has been ruled out.</p>	
<p>Supporting evidence</p>	<p>Here's the latest from the environmental agency on the crabs on the beach situation as of 26/11. Chemical pollution now also ruled out, but still no answers as to what it is/was</p>  <p>GOV.UK Environment Agency rules out chemical pollution as likely cause of Teesside crab deaths</p>	

Date	Time	Area
17 th December	-	Runswick Bay & Tees Bay
Person, platform reported	Conversation/ report/ evidence captured	
Fisheries Protection Vessel	Baited drop down cameras deployed at two sites (Tees Bay & Runswick Bay) to gather preliminary data as part of a monitoring plan developed to assess the impact of the shellfish mortality event in the affected areas.	
Supporting evidence	Drop down camera footage & recording forms.	