Dear Consultee

Consultation on “Sustainable fisheries for future generations”

1. The Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs invites your views on our proposals for the forthcoming Fisheries Bill and on our future vision for sustainable fisheries policy.

2. The following documents may be found on gov.uk:

   - Sustainable fisheries for future generations

   The consultation questions may be found on Citizen Space (online consultation tool) here: [https://consult.defra.gov.uk/marine/sustainable-fisheries-for-future-generations](https://consult.defra.gov.uk/marine/sustainable-fisheries-for-future-generations)

3. We welcome your views and comments on the proposals. If you wish to obtain a copy of this consultation, Please contact: [FisheriesEngagement@defra.gsi.gov.uk](mailto:FisheriesEngagement@defra.gsi.gov.uk) or,

Fisheries White Paper Consultation team
Department of Environment, Food and Rural Affairs
First Floor,
Seacole Block,
2 Marsham Street
London
SW1P 4DF
Responses

4. To submit your consultation response, please complete the consultation questionnaire provided through Citizen Space (Citizen Space is an online consultation tool) or alternatively please email or post your response at the address above.

5. Responses should be received by 12th September 2018

6. This is a 10 week consultation.

Confidentiality and data protection

7. This consultation document and consultation process have been planned to adhere to the Consultation Principles issued by the Cabinet Office.

8. Representative groups are asked to give a summary of the people and organisations they represent, and where relevant who else they have consulted in reaching their conclusions when they respond.

9. Information provided in response to this consultation, including personal data, may be published or disclosed in accordance with the access to information regimes these are primarily the Environmental Information Regulations 2004 (EIRs), the Freedom of Information Act 2000 (FOIA) and the Data Protection Act 2018 (DPA). We have obligations, mainly under the EIRs, FOIA and DPA, to disclose information to particular recipients or to the public in certain circumstances.

10. If you want the information that you provide to be treated as confidential, please be aware that, as a public authority, the Department is bound by the Freedom of Information Act and may therefore be obliged to disclose all or some of the information you provide. In view of this it would be helpful if you could explain to us why you regard the information you have provided as confidential. If we receive a request for disclosure of the information we will take full account of your explanation, but we cannot give an assurance that confidentiality can be maintained in all circumstances. An automatic confidentiality disclaimer generated by your IT system will not, of itself, be regarded as binding on the Department.

11. The Department of Environment Food and Rural Affairs will process your personal data in accordance with the law and in the majority of circumstances this will mean that your personal data will not be disclosed to third parties. A full privacy notice is included in the parts above.

12. This consultation is being conducted in line with the Cabinet Office “Consultation Principles” and be found at: [https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance](https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/consultation-principles-guidance)

13. If you have any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please address them to:
Consultation Coordinator
Area 1C,
1st Floor
Nobel House
17 Smith Square,
London, SW1P 3JR.

Or email: consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk

14. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries contact us as above.

Yours Faithfully

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