

To lead, champion and manage a sustainable marine environment and inshore fisheries

Cockle Fishery 2015

Following surveys on land and at sea Members will make a decision on 19 May regarding the opening of both fisheries.

For further information please [click here](#)



Oysters

Officers have been working as part of the Essex Native Oyster Restoration initiative (NORI) towards the recovery of native oysters within the Blackwater/Crouch MCZ area.

For more information on this project [click here](#)



Bass Management



A technical panel meeting was held in March to discuss in detail the IFCA's approach to control the over exploitation of bass stocks.

To read more on what was discussed and the recommendations made [click here](#)

GET IN TOUCH



If you have any concerns about fishing activities in your area we want to hear from you.

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01843-585310

Marine Protected Areas

Tests of Likely Significant Effect have been carried out on a number of European Marine Sites (EMS) in our district. These tests look to see if fishing gear have an effect on the feature that requires protecting in a EMS.



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QUARTERLY MEETINGS

The last quarterly meeting took place at Gravesham Council offices on 22 January 2015. Matters discussed included:

- [Bass Management](#)
- [Hythe Bay and Folkestone Pomerania](#)
- [Draft Budget 2015-16](#)

The next meeting will take place on:

Tuesday 19 May 2015 at 11am at Chelmsford Council offices, Civic Centre, Duke Street, Chelmsford, Essex. CM1 1JE

Among the items up for discussion are:

- [Cockle Fishery](#)
- [Marine Protected Area update](#)
- [Bass update](#)
- [Defra's four year report on IFCA's](#)

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