

# Fisheries Management Plans: MMO Announce Engagement Sessions for Fishers

The Marine Management Organisation (MMO) will hold a fresh set of quayside conversations with fishers in ports on the south coast to get their views on ongoing development of the Channel demersal non-quota species Fisheries Management Plan (FMP)



On 13<sup>th</sup> January 2023, the MMO published a news story to provide details about a fresh set of opportunities for fishers to give their views about the ongoing development of the Channel demersal non-quota species Fisheries Management Plan (FMP).

D&S IFCA is assisting the MMO with its communications. The MMO news story can be read in full [here](#).

The MMO are particularly interested in what fishers think of the vision and goals proposed for the FMP and any other matters relating to the FMP during sessions in February and March. There will also be sessions online for fishers who may struggle to meet in person.

Further details of the vision and goals, along with more specific information about the location and timings for the discussions, will be communicated over the coming month.

Currently, the quayside sessions (including some within the D&S IFCA District) are planned for:

- Tuesday 21 Feb Rye, Hastings, Gosport, Poole
- Wed 22 Feb Portsmouth, Hastings, Selsey
- Thurs 23 Feb Shoreham, Eastbourne, Brighton, Newhaven
- Tues 7 March Weymouth, Lyme Regis
- Wed 8 March Newlyn, Lyme Regis, Axmouth
- Thu 9 March Fowey, Exmouth, Looe, Plymouth
- Fri 10 march Mevagissey, Brixham

Online sessions are currently planned for:

- Monday 20<sup>th</sup> Feb
- Wednesday 22<sup>nd</sup> Feb
- Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> March
- Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> March

## Other information

A working group with industry representatives and an evidence advisory group have been set up and are working on developing the plan, ahead of a formal consultation later this year. Details of the Channel FMP and working group meetings can be found by clicking [here](#). If you have questions or points to make ahead of the meetings or wish to be included in the MMO's dedicated stakeholder updates, please email/contact the MMO rather than D&S IFCA.

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