

## Appointments – D&S IFCA’s Byelaw and Permitting Sub-Committee

### Officers’ Recommendation

- a) **That all existing Members of the B&PSC stand for a further twelve months and should therefore be re-appointed *en bloc*.**
- b) ***Andrew Bell is appointed to the B&PSC***
- c) ***Additional Members consider becoming Members of the B&PSC.***

### 1. Background

The Byelaw and Permitting Sub-Committee (B&PSC) is vital to drive much of the Authority’s work forward and has delegated powers for decision making. In the current B&PSC Terms of Reference (TOR), six members must be present for the B&PSC meeting to be quorate. Cancelled or delayed B&PSC meetings can have a significant impact on the timely delivery of essential work. It is envisaged that retaining the membership and the level needed to be quorate can help to mitigate this risk while still maintaining a suitable level of mixed representation.

All General Members are encouraged to join the B&PSC or to continue with their membership of the B&PSC. Although appointments to the B&PSC is a repeating agenda item for each Authority Annual General Meeting, Section 11.13 of the Standing Orders allows for appointments of Authority Members to the B&PSC to be made at any Authority meeting. Section 11.13 of the Standing Orders has resulted in two relatively new Authority Members joining the B&PSC in the last twelve months.

Having a list of B&PSC Members agreed at each Authority Annual General meeting, enables Members to be listed as B&PSC Members on the Authority’s website ([Our Members Page](#)) and for Officers to send B&PSC meeting papers to a defined list of Members.

### Membership

The B&PSC may invite all General Members to attend, and membership may include representatives of the funding Authorities and Statutory Appointees.

- The Chair and Vice-Chairs will be ex-officio members of the B&PSC.
- Other members may be co-opted as and when this is considered to be appropriate.
- Any member of D&S IFCA may attend a meeting as an observer.

## 2. Appointments

Andrew Bell has joined the Authority and has indicated an interest to join the B&PSC. If Andrew Bell agrees to join the B&PSC, the Membership will consist of the following:

<b>Statutory Members</b>	<b>Organisation</b>
Kate Sugar	Natural England
Simon Toms	Environment Agency

<b>Elected Members</b>	<b>Local Authority</b>
Cllr Louise Wainwright	Devon County Council
Cllr Sara Wilson	Devon County Council
Cllr Dermot McGeough	Devon County Council
Cllr Jayne Stansfield	South Gloucestershire Council
Cllr Josh McCarty	Plymouth City Council

<b>General Members</b>	<b>Recorded Interest on Website Display</b>
Dr Emma Bean (Chair of B&PSC)	Environment/Law
Professor Mike Williams (Vice Chair of B&PSC)	Environment/Law
Rachel Irish	Marine Management Organisation
Jon Dornom	Commercial Fisheries
David Morgan	Commercial Fisheries
Felicity Sylvester	Fisheries/Education
Wayne Thomas	Recreational Fishing
Guy Baker	Conservation & Science Communication
Dr Pamela Buchan	Environment/Commercial Fishing
Charlie Ziemann	Commercial Fishing
Didi Alayli	Environment
Alistair Dewhirst	Environment
Mike Spiller	Recreational Angling
Sarah Holmyard	Commercial Fishing, Aquaculture, and Marine Environment
Andrew Bell	Environment

LOCAL GOVERNMENT (ACCESS TO INFORMATION) ACT 1985

### **Background Papers**

[Authority meeting papers and minutes \(Section B Website Resource Library\)](#)

[B&PSC Terms of Reference \(November 2025\)](#)

[D&S IFCA Standing Orders Version 1.8 \(December 2025\)](#)