NWIFCA TSB Quarterly Meeting: 5th November 2024

REPORT NO.

BYELAW STRATEGY REVIEW

Purpose: To implement a formal five-year byelaw strategy for the Authority

Recommendations: Members vote to approve formal adoption of the draft Byelaw Strategy 2024-

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1. Background

A comprehensive background to why the strategy is needed is provided in the first section of the draft Byelaw Strategy itself.

Following an initial draft written by me, with input from senior officers, the draft was provided to the Byelaw Working Group (BWG) for consideration. A meeting of the BWG was held on 17th October to discuss it in more detail. Following this meeting, some amendments were made to the draft, namely the inclusion of a planned Gear Marking Byelaw.

The Strategy sets out the Authority's approach to byelaw-making over the next five years. It defines a new set of guidelines for the process and timelines that we should aim to follow in byelaw-making to ensure it is more effective and efficient. It then goes on to set out which new byelaws we will aim to create over the coming years and how, at the same time, we will rationalise our current byelaw suite.

Please see the draft Byelaw Strategy as an appendix to this report.

Mark Taylor, North Western IFCA CEO, 25th October 2024.