

3rd June 2021

Dear

ATISN 15135 – Sea fisheries prosecutions

Thank you for your e-mail of 16 May in which you asked:

How many court case prosecutions per year has WG undertaken of [former Sea Fishery Committee] byelaws collectively (ie. Any of 79) in each of the 11 years since amalgamation (April 2010-2021 inclusive)? Byelaws now managed by the NRW for the Burry Inlet cockle fishery should be included but should be separately identified in the annual totals.

Details of Welsh Government prosecutions are as follows:

	2010	'11	'12	'13	'14	'15	'16	'17	'18	'19	'20	'21	Total
Prosecutions taken against	3	1	2	2	1	0	20	10	5	9	0	0	53
byelaw offences													

Information on Bury Inlet cockle fishery prosecutions is held by Natural Resources Wales and needs to be requested from them:

- By telephone: 0300 065 3000 and ask to speak to an Access to Information Officer
- By email: accesstoinformationteam@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

If you are dissatisfied with the Welsh Government's handling of your request, you can ask for an internal review within 40 working days of the date of this response. Requests for an internal review should be addressed to the Welsh Government's Freedom of Information Officer at:

Information Rights Unit, Welsh Government, Cathays Park, Cardiff, CF10 3NQ

or Email: Freedom.ofinformation@gov.wales

Please remember to quote the ATISN reference number above.

You also have the right to complain to the Information Commissioner. The Information Commissioner can be contacted at: Information Commissioner's Office, Wycliffe House,

Water Lane, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 5AF.

However, please note that the Commissioner will not normally investigate a complaint until it has been through our own internal review process.

Yours sincerely,