

River Ythan Trust Biosecurity Plan – Aberdeenshire Council comments

Thank you for consulting Aberdeenshire Council on the River Ythan Trust Biosecurity Plan.

We agree with the stated objectives of this plan and consider that it adequately covers all relevant riparian and aquatic INS issues.

Aberdeenshire Council has been identified as the lead partner on the production of a leaflet covering legislation relevant to INS including waste management and planning regulations. As stated previously, we would be looking to produce this in a format which would cover all the rivers within Aberdeenshire and would suggest that it be undertaken in a co-ordinated manner with all the relevant River Trusts.

Aberdeenshire Council would be able to assist with the distribution of codes and leaflets as relevant. Unless you have already got agreement to distribute leaflets with Council Tax bills I would reword to 'circulate with appropriate mailings'.

I am also not sure that we could commit to holding specific events or open days to promote INS issues but we could promote at other events and open days we organise or attend and would ask that this section be amended to reflect this.