## **Aquaculture Leadership Group**



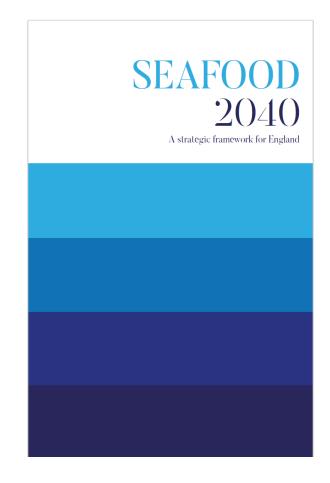
The future is a seafood industry that is sustainable and thriving.

### **Setting the scene: What is SF2040**

 A vision to contribute to the English seafood industry through collaboration, innovation, and best practice to ensure a truly thriving business from sea to plate

#### and

An action plan that details 25
recommendations developed by the seafood
supply chain to advance the vision







# What does England's thriving seafood industry look like in 2040?

- 1. Seafood consumption has doubled
- 2. Wild catch fisheries are verifiably sustainable and flourishing
- 3. Significant growth has occurred in the aquaculture sector
- 4. Business growth is enabled by infrastructure improvements
- 5. Opportunities for exports have increased
- 6. Access to international markets for responsibly sourced raw materials has been assured

#### SF2040 Governance and Structure



Aquaculture Leadership Group Infrastructure Task & Finish Group

#### SF2040 Partners

Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs

The Sea Fish Industry Authority

Centre for the Environment,

Fisheries and Aquaculture Sciences

Food Standards Agency

**Environment Agency** 

Seafood Industry Alliance

**SAGB** 

**Dorset Coast Forum** 

**British Ports Association** 

**Seafood Exporters Group** 

**UK Association of Fish Producer** 

**Organisations** 

Marine Management Organisation

Public Health England

**Seafood Marketing Optimsation Group** 

Fishing into the Future

**Natural England** 

**NERC/BBSRC/ARCH-UK** 

Oversight & Facilitation: Chair + SILG Project Mgr

#### Role & Vision of SF2040 Aquaculture Leadership Group (1/3)

- Aquaculture in 2040 is going to be diverse in terms of species, applications and business size
- Aquaculture is on the cusp of great change and one area where a real difference can be made
- ALG is not just about growing the aquaculture economy but broadening its scope, promoting its values and better demonstrating its contribution to the UK economy, the seafood industry, and the benefits of employment, health and opportunity for communities
- ALG will review and seek opportunities /advancements in technology, investment and intellectual capital
- ALG has limited resources available therefore it is imperative that when formulating proposals, if ALG is to make an impact, quick wins in the short term are required

#### Role & Vision of SF2040 Aquaculture Leadership Group (2/3)

- ALG is responsible for 2 specific SF2040 recommendations:
  - Recommendation 13
    - Develop and begin to deliver a realistic, action-oriented and forward-thinking English
       Aquaculture Strategy for the next 20 years, with Government supported growth targets and a short, medium and long term delivery plan.
    - Develop an English Aquaculture Science and Innovation Plan (EASIP) guided by the newly formed Seafish Experts Panel (SEP) and build on any work already done (e.g. ARCH-UK, NERC KEP)

    - Review fiscal aquaculture incentive measures and develop a forward-thinking report outlining the current mechanisms for support and fiscal incentives and ideas for other potential mechanisms.
    - Monitor/maintain an understanding of strategic water quality improvement projects and thinking that cuts across the water, agriculture and land management, and aquaculture sectors.



#### Role & Vision of SF2040 Aquaculture Leadership Group (3/3)

- ALG is responsible for 2 specific SF2040 recommendations:
  - Recommendation 14
    - Promote aquaculture as an emerging sector that behaves responsibly and has societal support.
       Provide clear policy leadership and vision to support an expansion of aquaculture that instils confidence and positivity across the sector. All activities should aim to strengthen relationships between industry, government, and regulators.
    - Commission a review of current regulation impacting on marine and freshwater aquaculture.
       Identify where this can be streamlined or requires amendments, and determine what the optimal English regulation framework would entail.
    - Focus on strengthening the links between aquaculture operators, national industry associations and regulating bodies.

### SF2040 ALG Membership

	Representation	Name	Company/Organisation
1	Chair	James Fox-Davies	Fowey Shellfish
2	Secretary	Kim Cullen	SF2040
3	Shellfish	David Jarrad	The Shellfish Association of Great Britain
4	Industry	Oliver Robinson	British Trout Association
5	Industry	John Holmyard	Offshore Shellfish
6	Industry	Kelsey Thompson	Morecambe Bay Oysters
7	Industry	Martin Syvret	Dorset Coast Forum
8	Aquaculture	Dr Stuart McLanaghan	Seafish
9	Government	Sara Catahan	Defra - Freshwater Fisheries, Shellfish & Aquaculture
10	Aquaculture Science	Dr Lewis Le Vay	Centre for Applied Marine Sciences, Bangor University
11	Government	Dr Christopher Sweeting	Marine Management Office – Evidence Support
12	Regulator	Roger Covey	Natural England
Other Regulators and Organisations — to be asked to attend meetings when relevant according to the work programme			
Environment Agency			
Marine Management Office – Regulatory branch			
Food Standards Agency			

**The Crown Estate** 

**Centre for Environment, Fisheries and Aquaculture Science** 

**Association of Inshore Fisheries and Conservation Authorities** 

**Animal Health Welfare Board England** 



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## Thank you