

Follow-Up Emails Regarding Fishing Interests

Ref	To	Date	Request	Response
	[REDACTED]	3/7/23	<p>I refer to your recent objections to the proposed Flood Protection Scheme (both as an individual and on behalf of the River Cree District Salmon Fishery Board).</p> <p>To help us understand how we can address the points you have made, and to ensure we do not overlook any matters, are you able to confirm/advise if you or the board have any fishing rights on this stretch of river that we need to be aware of?</p>	<p>Personally I have riparian fishing rights at Linloskin – the lower limit of these fishings are at the weir directly above the Suspension Bridge. This is just above the upper limit of the FPS. However, the works required for the FPS are likely to impact my fishings as any disclosed water, noise or vibration in the river will discourage the upstream movement of salmon and seatrout – thereby affecting my fishings.</p> <p>The Cree DSFB do not own any fishings. However, they are the elected body legally responsible for the protection and enhancement of Salmon and seatrout within the entire River Cree catchment. I strongly suggest you familiarise yourselves with the legal powers which the Cree DSFB have.</p>
	[REDACTED]	3/7/23	<p>You mention in your representation that you have Salmon Fishing Rights along a section of the East Bank – are you able to provide further details on this or any documentation? This will help us understand the extent of land involved and what measures need to be put in place in respect of such rights.</p>	<p>I do not own any land on the River Cree.</p> <p>However i have Salmon fishing rights from the top of slaughterhouse pool (left bank) - where the wood starts about 250 yds down from sparling bridge - this extends down to the A75 road bridge.</p> <p>Basically all the area that is the SSSI.</p> <p>My salmon fishing rights then extend below Machermore Castle right down into the tidal zones.</p>
	[REDACTED]	3/7/23	<p>You mention in your representation that you have certain Fishing Rights – are you able to provide further details on this or any documentation? This will help us understand the extent of land involved and what measures need to be put in place in respect of such rights.</p>	<p>Hello, we have just returned from holiday and have now read your email regarding our fishing rights. Our title deeds, which are held with our solicitor, show that we own approximately 90 metres of the riverbank.</p> <p>The river, being non-tidal at this point , and separating our property from that of the adjoining landowners property, the legal presumption is that both parties shall own up to the mid point of the river known as the 'medium filum'. Therefore fishing rights for all indigenous river fish (ie. brown trout but not sea trout and salmon) belong to us as the riverbank owners</p>

	[REDACTED]	14/7/23	<p>To help us understand how we address your submission, and to ensure we do not overlook any matters, are you able to confirm/advise if you as an individual have any fishing rights on the stretch of river where defences are to be built, or is your objection is as a Member of the Newton Stewart and District Angling Association, or as an individual with no fishing rights or membership of NSDAA but you have concerns on how the Scheme may affect fishing/fishing rights?</p>	<p>As a member of the Newton Stewart District Angling Association. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED] I am not a riparian owner and have no fishing rights. I do, however, have a lifelong attachment to the river as a fisherman, following in my father and grandfather's footsteps. I am also a former president of NSDAA and lifelong resident of Minnigaff and latterly Newton Stewart. [REDACTED]</p> <p>I can confirm that i am a member of NSDAA, i do have concerns regarding fishing on the river, but my main concerns would be the affect on tourism and also the changing course of the river and the alteration it would cause to the river bed itself. NSDAA have invested heavily in time and in money in a salmon hatchery on the river, this has greatly improved the salmon fishing on the Cree, which in turn puts money into the local economy with visiting anglers who come from out with the area to fish the Cree.</p> <p>If the flood defence causes issues with the fishing on the river this will impact on visiting anglers and as a result will have a financial affect on local businesses due to lost revenue from visiting anglers. Personally i do not fish the Cree, although i am a member of NSDAA I tend to fish lochs mostly, but i do have an interest in our lovely stretch of river that runs through our town. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>I am a member of the NSDAA. [REDACTED]</p> <p>I can confirm that I am a member of the Newton Stewart and District Angling Association. [REDACTED]</p> <p>[REDACTED]</p> <p>Hi I am a member of the angling club [REDACTED]</p> <p>Thank you for your email. I am a member of Newton Stewart and District Angling Association and I endorse the objection that the Association has made. I have also raised two further matters which were not mentioned in the Association's objection.</p> <p>You seem to suggest that if I am making an objection as member of the Association then I am not an individual who has fishing rights on the stretch of the river where the defences are to be built. However, this is not the case. As I mentioned in my objection, the Association is an unincorporated association and so every member of the Association is, as such, a proprietor along with all the other members, of their fishing rights. [REDACTED]</p> <p>I am a Member of the Newton Stewart and District Angling Association [REDACTED]</p> <p>My objection is made as an individual who fished the River Cree on an occasional basis and is concerned about the fishing and fishing rights issues [REDACTED]</p>
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	[REDACTED]	14/7/23	<p>I refer to your recent objection to the proposed Flood Protection Scheme.</p> <p>To help us understand how we address your submission, and to ensure we do not overlook any matters, are you able to confirm/advise if the Trust are an association of the Salmon Fisheries Boards including the River Cree Salmon Fishery Board and you are objecting in that capacity and/or if the Trust themselves own any land or fishing rights on the stretch of river where defences are proposed.</p>	<p>Galloway Fisheries Trust (GFT) is an environmental charity which works on the following river catchments; Luce, Bladnoch, Cree, Fleet, Kirkcudbrightshire Dee, Urr, Annan and Border Esk. The GFT is a member of the umbrella organisation Fisheries Management Scotland (FMS). The comments I submitted were from GFT only. For more info on GFT see www.gallowayfisheriestrust.org</p> <p>We have worked on the Cree catchment for many years (since 1988) so have a detailed knowledge of the fish species present in the River Cree. Our interest is in the wider ecology of the river including all the native fish populations present – our interest is wider than just salmon/sea trout. GFT is not a District Salmon Fishery Board (DSFB) but we work closely with the various DSFBs across the region.</p> <p>I can confirm that GFT do not own any land or fishings along the River Cree.</p>