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Dear David

Thank you for your letter of 31 January, regarding petition P-05-778 Protect the Razor Clams on Llanfairfechan Beach and for sharing the comments provided by the petitioner.

NAFC Marine Centre, Shetland, won the contract for the research study into the biology, ecology and distribution of razor clams around Wales.

There is currently no agreed best practice for razor clam stock assessments in scientific or fisheries management in the UK or EU. The report will review potential methods and techniques for razor clam stock assessment and will provide recommendations for stock assessment methods to be used by the Welsh Government.

This report is to be completed by 31 March 2018. Welsh Government will then consider its recommendations to enable the development of the most appropriate stock assessment methodology for subsequently assessing the razor clam population at Llanfairfechan.

Regards


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