



## Wyre Estuary Biosecurity Plan Workshop

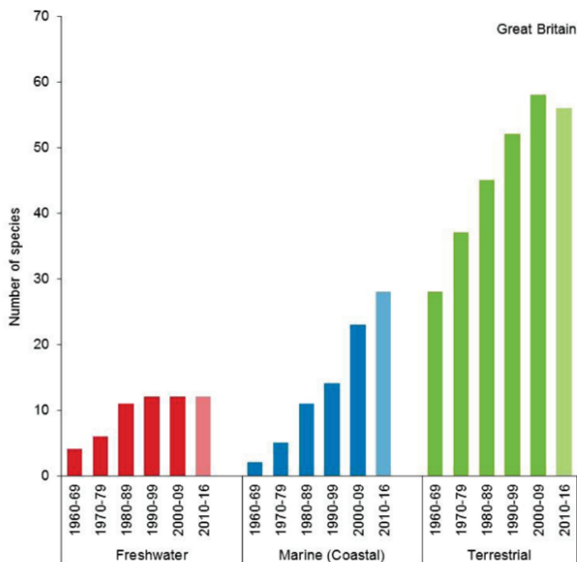
July 14th 10am-12.30 pm

We are putting together a Biosecurity plan for the Wyre Estuary to help prevent invasive non-native species and minimise their impacts for those who use and depend upon the Wyre. We need your help to identify the risks around the Wyre Estuary and help us put in place measures that will prevent economic and environmental damage.

### Why is it important?

Invasive non-native species spread quickly and can out-compete native species as well as causing damage to boats and infrastructure. Once present they can be challenging to get rid of. Biosecurity measures can help to make sure they don't get the chance to take a hold.

Number of non-native invasive species established in or along more than 10% of Great Britain's land area or coastline, 1960 to 2016.



Notes: The last time period covers a shorter period than the other bars (2010–2016).

Source: Botanical Society of Britain & Ireland, British Trust for Ornithology, Centre for Ecology & Hydrology, Marine Biological Association, National Biodiversity Network.



Kelp species such as Wakame (*Undaria pinnatifida*) can grow to 3m in length and compete for space with native species. It has been recorded at Fleetwood on multiple occasions.

### Do you...

Sail or paddle in the Wyre Estuary?

Fish in the Wyre Estuary?

Own a business interested in maintaining high standards of biosecurity in the Wyre Estuary?

Run events in the Wyre Estuary?

If so you can help by attending our online workshop on biosecurity on **July 14th**. The workshop is free and open to all. There'll be a presentation on biosecurity and a chance for you to have your say on the creation of a biosecurity plan for the Wyre Estuary.

To sign up, contact [tom@wyrerivertrust.org](mailto:tom@wyrerivertrust.org)

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