Environment Agency
Community Protection Notices

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Anti-social Behaviour Crime and Policing Act 2014

- Intended to be flexible;
- Does not make reference to invasive species;
- Could be applied to INNS if they meet the legal test.
The legal test

the conduct of the individual or body is having a detrimental effect of a persistent or continuing nature on the quality of life of those in the locality, and that the conduct is unreasonable. Under section 57 of the Act, “conduct” includes “a failure to act”.
Enforcement

Local Council lead;
Police have equal powers;
Response review can be instigated by a ‘community trigger’;
Notices served to restrict person/s behaviour or oblige them to take action.
Penalties

£100 fixed penalty notice or prosecution and a potential level 4 fine (currently £2,500);

An organisation may be liable to a fine up to £20,000.
Potential scenarios for use

- Catchment programmes;
- Private source impacting sensitive sites;
- Private source impacting pathway of spread, such as topsoil supply.