

# STAKEHOLDER FORUM 2021



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# The GB Strategy: Review process

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# Outline of the day

- Morning – talks
  - Mainly a retrospective look at progress
  
- Afternoon – workshop sessions
  - Mainly a forward look for future strategy

# Strategy review process

NNSS scoring  
of actions



Independent review -  
APEM



Retrospective



Forward



Strategy redraft in  
2022

# GB Strategy: progress since 2015

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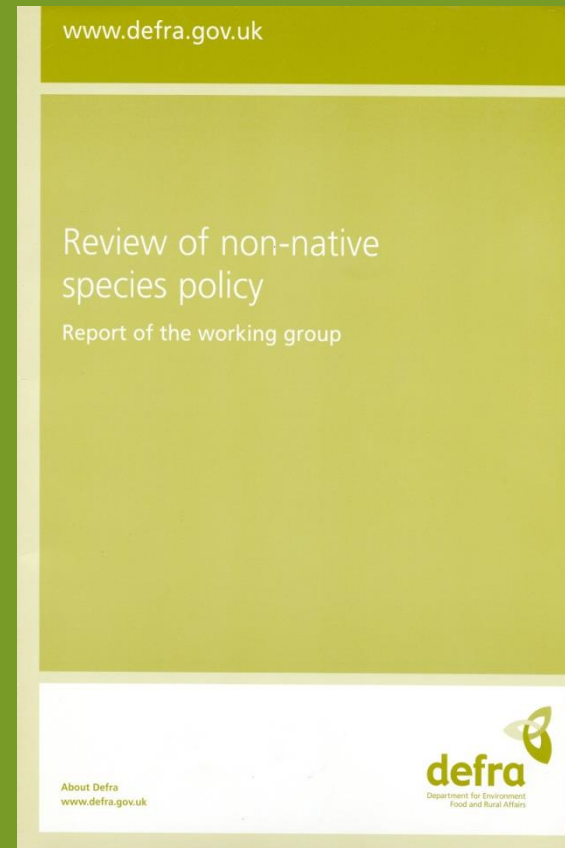
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# Policy Review 2001 - 2003

- **8 Key Recommendations**
- Co-ordination
- Risk assessment
- Codes of conduct
- Education and awareness
- Legislation
- Monitoring and surveillance
- Policies for control
- Stakeholder engagement



# GB Non-native Species Strategy - 2008

- Set out a high-level policy framework
  - 49 delivery actions
  - Reviewed in 2013-14

[www.nonnativespecies.org](http://www.nonnativespecies.org)

The Invasive Non-Native  
Species Framework Strategy  
for Great Britain



Protecting our natural heritage from invasive species





# GB Strategy – re-launched in 2015



59 key actions

Called for - More emphasis  
on prevention and rapid  
response

**Review started in 2020**

**BREXIT**





# Actions review

Action priority:	Satisfactory progress/ complete	Partial progress	Little / no progress	TOTAL
High	22	12	1	35
Medium	9	8	2	19
Low	0	1	2	3
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>

All but one of the 35 high priority actions are complete or in progress

Satisfactory progress made on 54% and some progress has been made on 91%

# Actions: review by 'area'

Area	Satisfactory	Partial	Little / no	TOTAL
Prevention	4	3	1	8
E Warning	4	1	0	5
R Response	1	3	0	4
LT Management	0	5	2	7
Awareness	8	1	0	9
Governance	2	1	0	3
Risk Assessment	3	2	0	5
Legislation	3	1	0	4
Research	1	3	1	5
Info. exchange	3	1	1	5
Review	2	0	0	2
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>31</b>	<b>21</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>57</b>

# Notable points on delivery of actions

- Only 1 high priority action had little progress –
  - Foster/develop expertise and capacity for contingency responses
- Awareness – 8 out of 9 with satisfactory progress
- Rapid response – 1/4 satisfactory (all high priority)
- Long-term control – 0/7 satisfactory (1 high, 4 medium, 2 low)

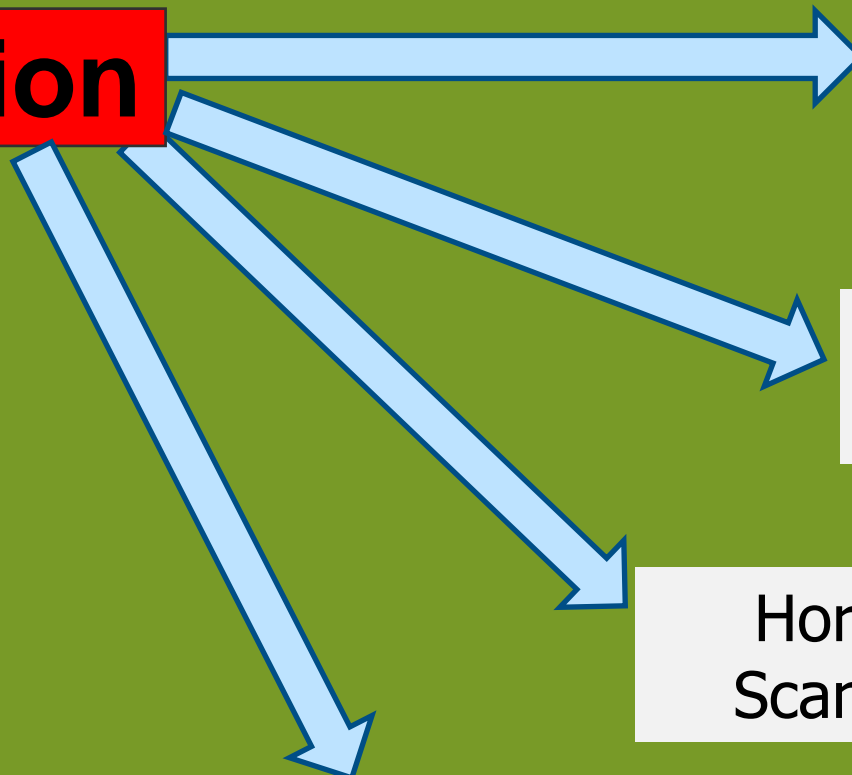
# Prevention

Pathway  
Actions

Contingency  
Planning

Horizon  
Scanning

INNS  
Inspectorate

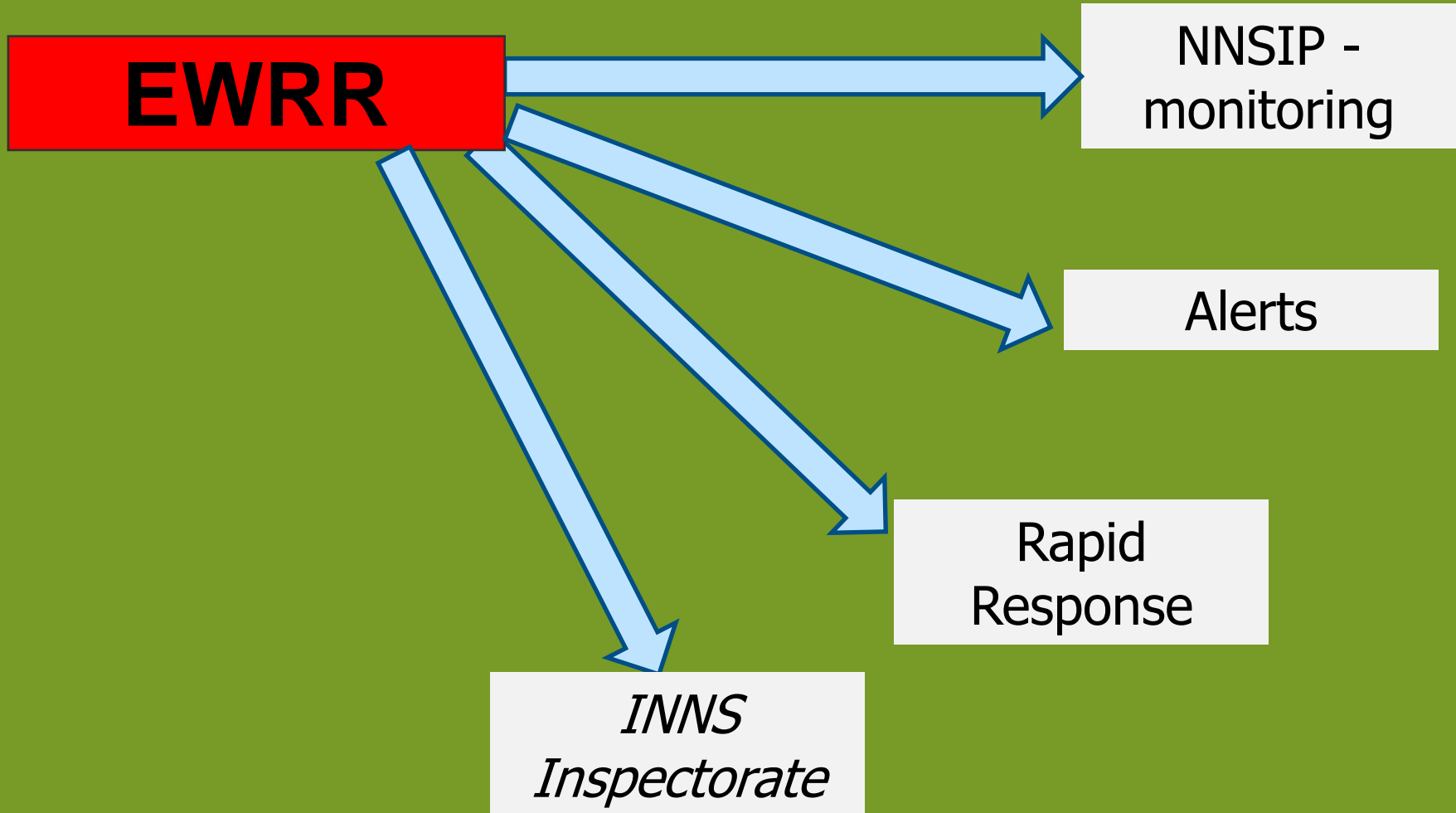


# Asian hornet: Contingency response



**September 2016**







# GB Rapid Responses



**LT Mgmt.**

Biol. Control

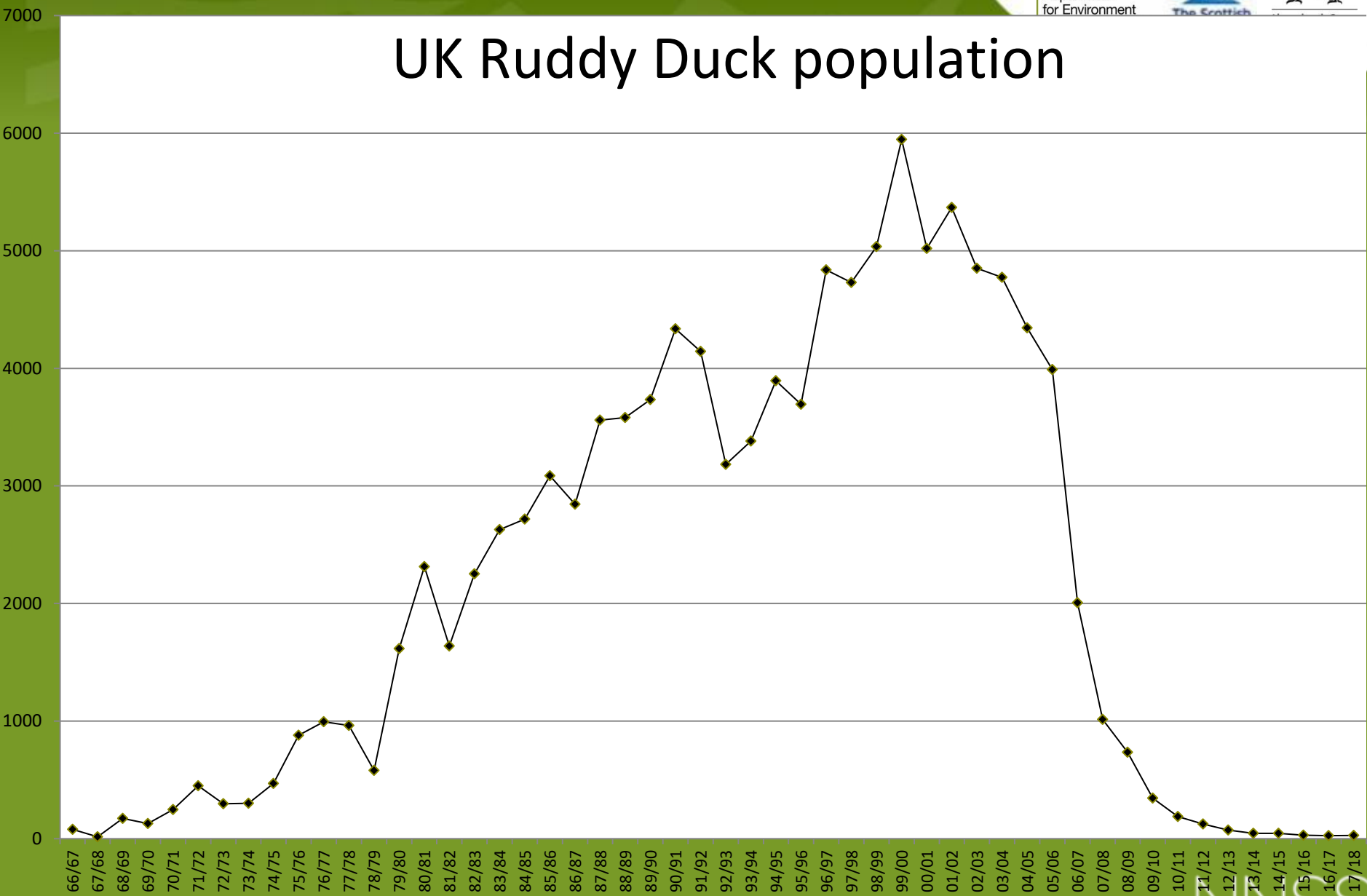
LAGs

National  
campaigns





# UK Ruddy Duck population





# GB Biological Control





# Local Action Groups



**Annual LAG workshop**

**RAPID LIFE 2017-20**





# OTs – Biosecurity project ongoing



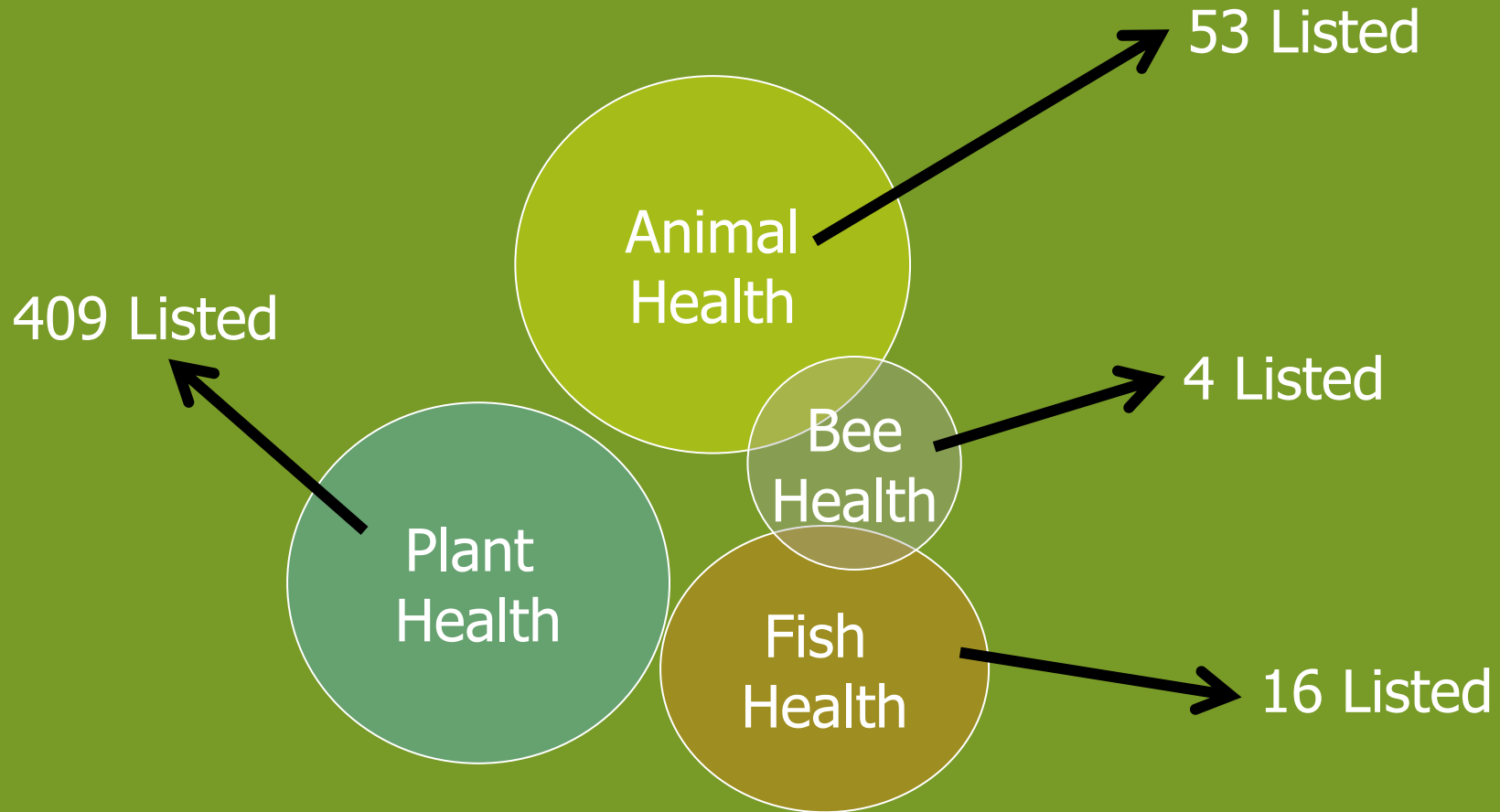
**Key Action: Strengthen support for OTs**

.... But are we succeeding?

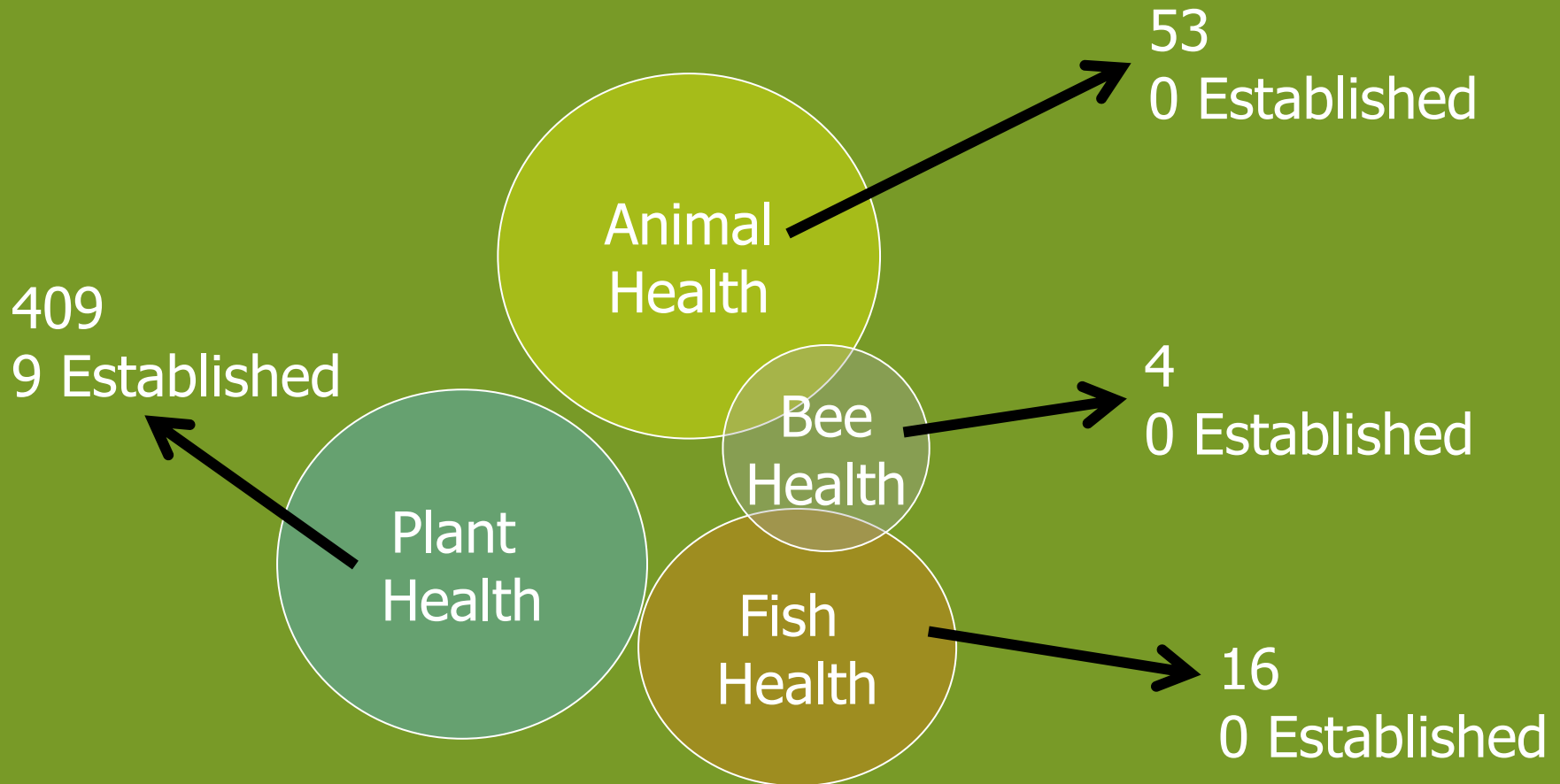
**and what would success look like?**



# Biosecurity – 4 regimes

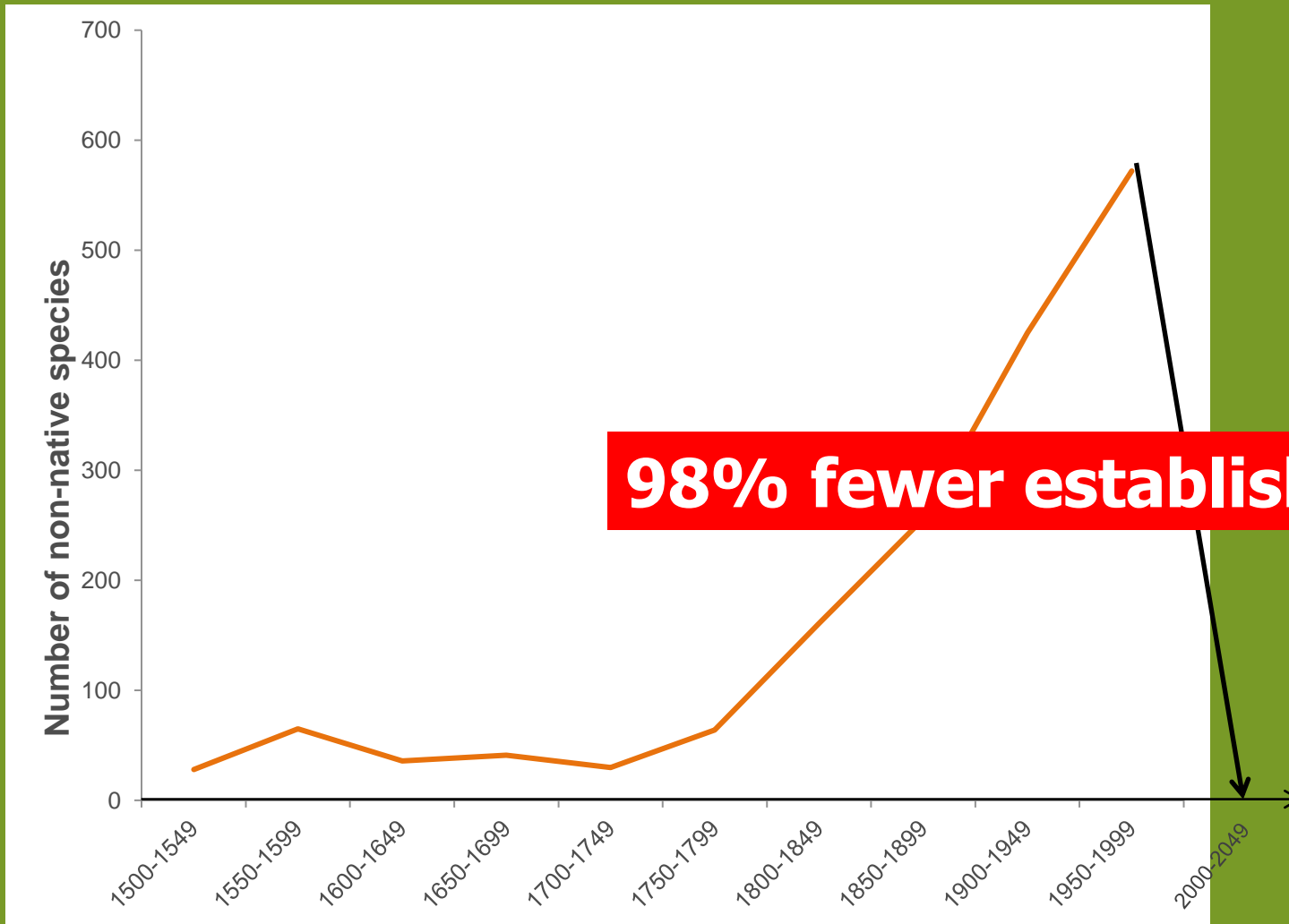


# Biosecurity – success in last 20 years



**98% Success rate**

# Prevention – how do INNS Compare?





# INNS Kept out



# Rapid response - successes





# INNS Established in 20 years

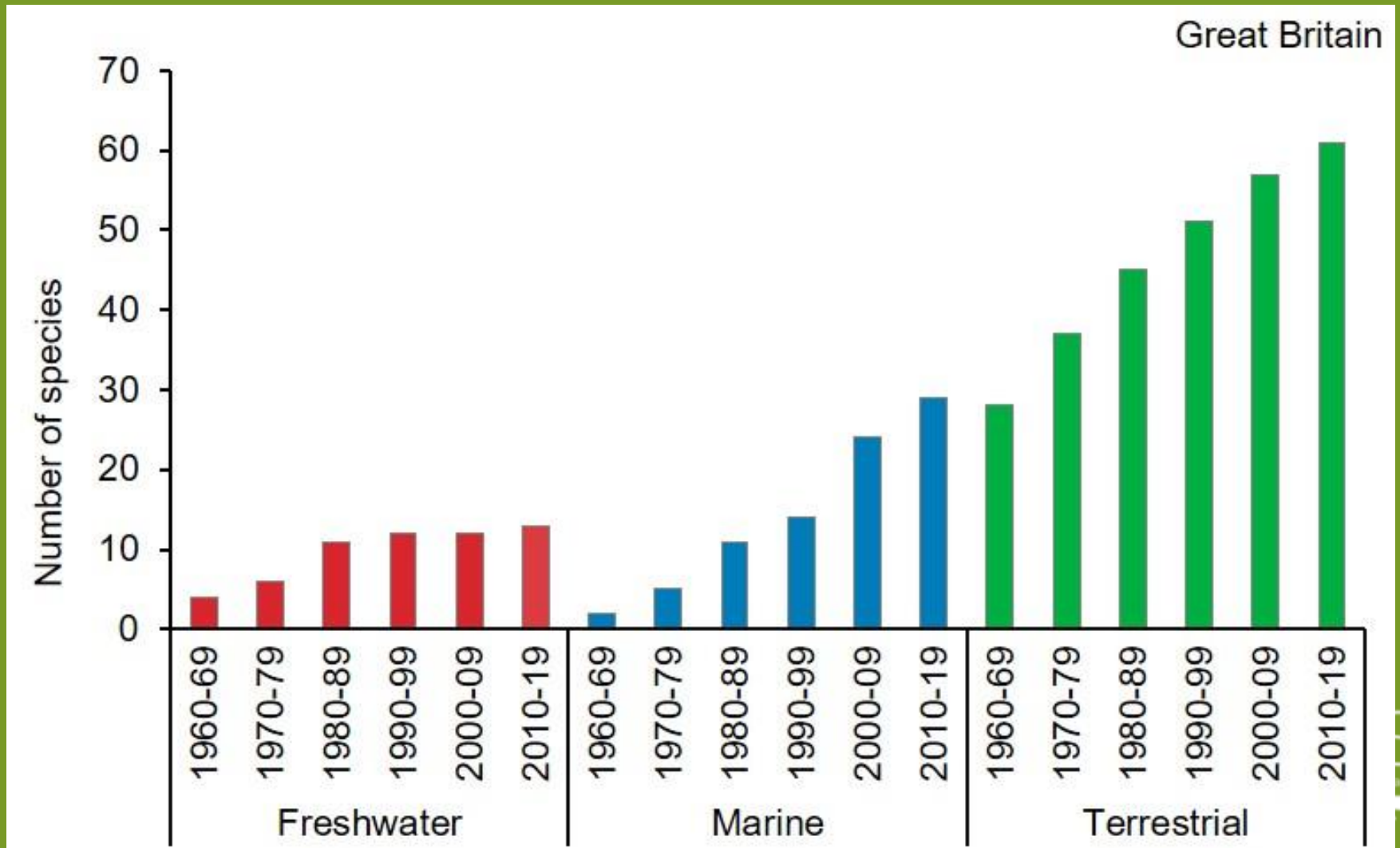
**240 NNS Expected to establish  
(25-30 INNS)**

**7 prevented = 25% success rate**

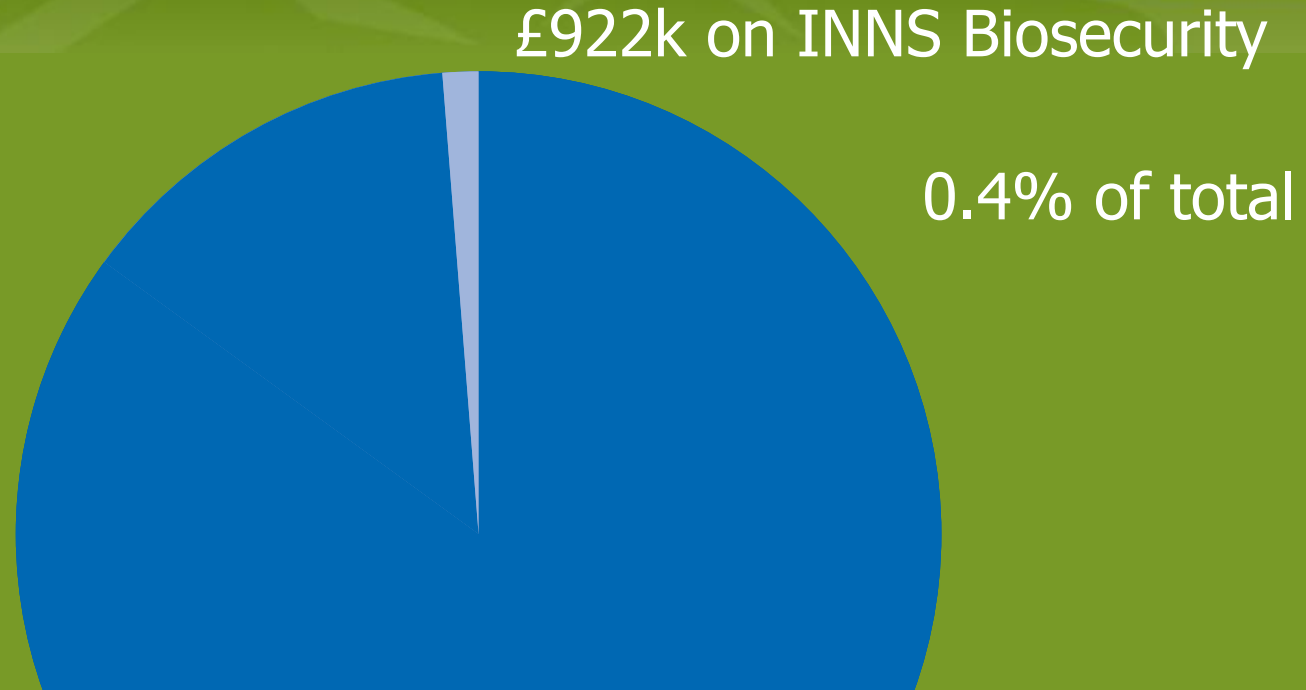


# Long-term Control

# Number of widespread species continue to grow



# Resource needs assessment 2017/18



**Defra Biosecurity Spend  
£220 million PA**



# All have inspectorates



# GB Biodiversity spend - 2017



- £438 million by government
- £9.85 million on INNS by GB Agencies



# INNS – between 2 stools!



Biosecurity  
£220 million

INNS –  
0.4%



Biodiversity  
£438 million

INNS –  
2.3%

# Environmental Audit Committee

## Recommendations



# EAC - Dedicated INNS Inspectorate

- Scoping in 2020
- Piloting in 2021-22
  - 4 staff
  - Inspections
  - Investigations



# EAC on Communications

- ‘We recommend that it revives its public awareness campaigns and broadens them further than their present focus on aquatic plants’.



# EAC on Biological Control



**Government should expand support**





# EAC on Environmental land management schemes

**Management of INNS should feature in ELM**



# EAC on GB Non-native Species Secretariat

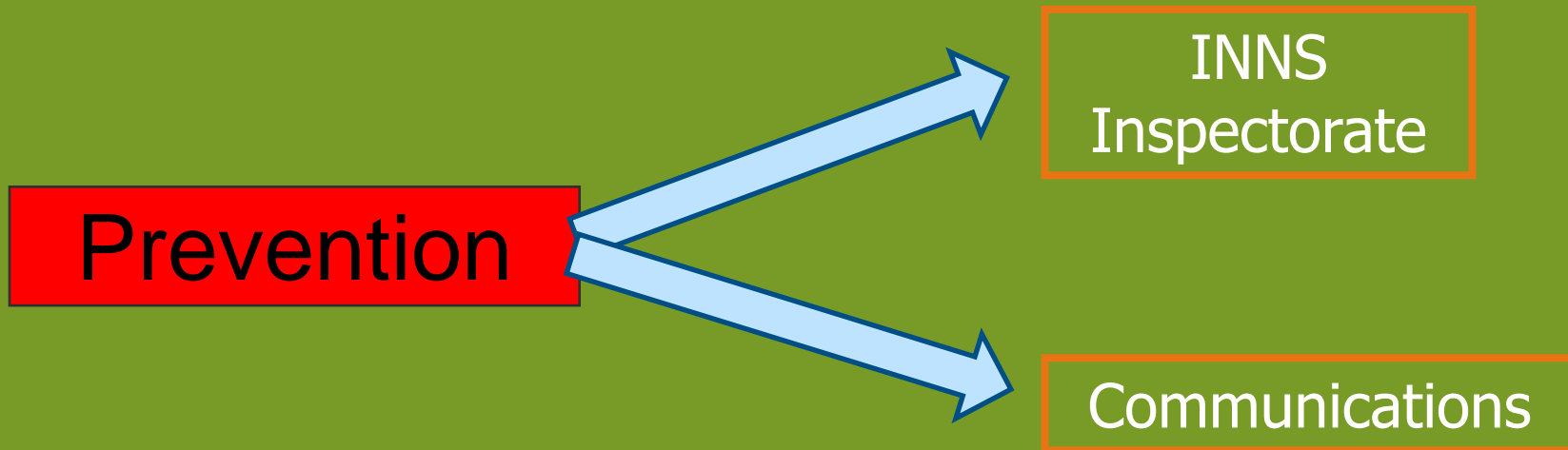
- NNSS should get £3 million per annum
- Rapid responses
- Maintain specialist capacity



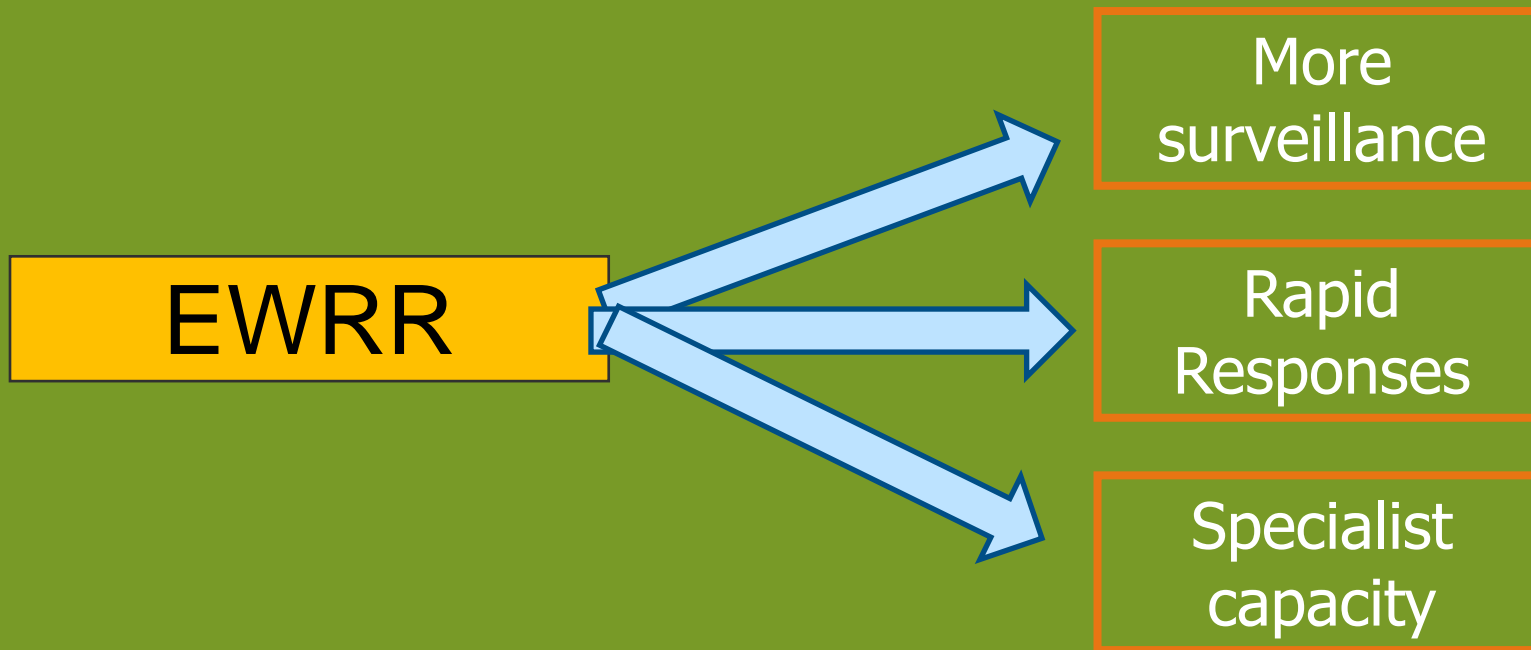
# EAC on Local Action Groups

- Government needs to take a more strategic approach
- ‘Government should fund LAGs on a long term (5-yearly basis) and coordinate them through the NNSS’

# Future priorities?



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