

Why would I like to meet my neighbours in the Falkland Islands?



This regional competition offers winners the chance to visit the Falklands for a week with all the costs covered. To participate, contestants should send a one minute video answering the question: “Why would I like to meet my neighbours from the Falkland Islands?” in English.

Winners will be staying with a local family, to experience first-hand the life in the Falkland Islands. The ideal winner should be active in social media and willing to share his/her experience about the Falkland Islands through these channels.

The contest is meant to promote the cultural exchange between the Falklands and the region, and to spread the knowledge about the Falkland Island and its people.

Find out more about the competition here: [Regional Student Competition regulations](#) (ODT, 18.8KB)

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1. 25 September 2019 We uploaded a new version of the attached document, on September 25th.
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Migrant Workers Programme & Ethnic Minority Support Programme (OC20S19P1494)

Call to run a project to support the skills development of employed migrants

and/or the skills development of Black and Minority Ethnic (BME) participants – in work or graduates.

Skills for Growth: project call in Heart of the South West LEP (0C16S19P1502).

Call to run a project to bring skilled people into the Heart of the South Wests Health and Social Care sector, and upskilling existing staff within the workforce.

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Call to run a project to bring skilled people into the Heart of the South Wests SMART Specialisation priority sectors, and upskilling existing staff within the workforce.

Fishing without a licence costs Retford man over £600

The case was brought to Northampton Magistrates' Court by the [Environment Agency](#) on 5 August 2019. Kevin Benson of Lime Tree Avenue, Retford, pleaded guilty and was ordered to pay a total penalty of £621. An annual fishing licence would have cost him just £30.

Fines up to £2,500

The penalty includes a fine of £442 for fishing without a licence, contrary to the Salmon and Freshwater Fisheries Act (1975), costs of £135 and a victim

surcharge of £44.

Following the verdict, Mick Alcott, Fisheries Enforcement Officer for the Environment Agency, said:

This case shows how seriously the courts take these offences and we hope the high penalty will act as a deterrent to any angler who is thinking of fishing without a licence.

Fishing illegally can incur a fine of up to £2,500 and offenders can also have their fishing equipment seized and be banned from fishing. We inspect rod licences throughout the East Midlands and work 24/7, seven days a week to check on cases of illegal fishing.

We have the same powers and responsibilities as a police constable to uphold the legislation and can arrest and detain offenders, enter land, stop and search, seize boats, vessels, vehicles and equipment, and ask people to show their fishing licences.

Money raised from fishing licence sales is used to protect and improve fish stocks and fisheries, benefitting anglers. We will always prosecute those caught cheating the system.

Buy fishing licences online

Anglers who wish to buy their licence online should buy it directly from [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) as they will receive a reference number allowing them to go fishing on the same day. Customers who use third-party sites may be charged more and might not get added to the official database as quickly.

Any angler aged 13 or over, fishing on a river, canal or still water needs a licence. A 1-day licence costs from just £6 and an annual licence costs from just £30 (concessions available). Junior licences are free for 13- to 16-year-olds. Licences are available from [GOV.UK](https://www.gov.uk) or by calling the Environment Agency on 0344 800 5386 between 8am and 6pm, Monday to Friday. Alternatively, licences can be bought at a local Post Office.

Report illegal fishing

The Environment Agency carries out enforcement work all year round and is supported by partners including the police and the Angling Trust. Fisheries enforcement work is intelligence-led, targeting known hot-spots and where illegal fishing is reported.

Anyone with information about illegal fishing activities can contact the Environment Agency Incident Hotline 24/7 on 0800 80 70 60 or anonymously to [Crimestoppers](https://www.crimestoppers-uk.org/) on 0800 555 111.