

Wicklow County Council

By email only: [REDACTED]

21/08/2025

Reference: MUL230026

Request for additional information in accordance with section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 in respect of licence application reference number MUL230026

Dear [REDACTED],

I refer to the above licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) on 16/04/2024. MARA considers that it requires the additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

- 1) Clarify the estimated maximum length of dredging campaign will be 9 weeks.
- 2) Clarify the dredging method(s) that will be employed for the purposes of this licence application.
- 3) Further to the response to request for further information received on 9<sup>th</sup> July 2025, please confirm the proposed location of the offshore site where the dredge spoil from Wicklow Harbour may be deposited.
- 4) In the instance that an alternative deposit site has been chosen, provide the following:
  - i) General information relating to the reasons for proposing an alternative location for the deposit of the dredge spoil, including distance from Wicklow Harbour.
  - ii) A map showing the proposed offshore deposit location. Please refer to [MARA Technical Mapping Guidance](#) to ensure all documentation, diagrams, cartographic maps and GIS data files are updated accordingly. Only areas that relate to the Maritime Usage Licence application should be included inside the red line boundaries.
  - iii) A sediment dispersion model to evaluate the potential impacts of the proposed deposit of dredge material on the receiving environment.
  - iv) An assessment of the benthic habitat at the proposed new deposit site, including a discussion on the potential impacts of dredge spoil on the benthic habitat at the proposed site.

The requested information should be submitted to MARA within 4 weeks of the date of this notice, i.e by **18/09/2025**, in order for MARA to assess the licence application.

Please direct any queries to [licence@mara.gov.ie](mailto:licence@mara.gov.ie).

Yours faithfully,

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