

Maritime Usage Licence – “Minded To” Determine Case Worker Report	
To	John Evans, MUL Director
From	Leeanne Doyle, Licensing Caseworker
Reviewed by	Martina Monaghan, Manager MUL Unit
Date	25/05/2026
Maritime Usage Licence Application:	
Applicant Name	Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council
Applicant Address	2 Marine Road, Dún Laoghaire, Dublin, A96K6C9
Application Received	13/06/2025
MUL Reference Number	MUL250003
Decision sought	Approval sought for issuance of notice to the Applicant in accordance with Section 119(6)(b) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021, to inform that: The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) is minded to PART GRANT a Maritime Usage Licence in respect of their application and the reasons why MARA is so minded.
Description of works	Marine Site investigations to assess the feasibility of future dredging in Dun Laoghaire harbour.
Term of Licence	2 Years from the MUL Commencement Date
Schedule 7 activity	7(3) Marine environmental survey (site investigation)
Additional section 7 activity (if applicable)	Choose an item.
Documents submitted with application	☒ Application Form ☒ Maritime Usage Map & GIS Shape files ☒ Other Maps & Drawings ☒ Appropriate Assessment Screening Report ☒ Risk Assessment for Annex IV Species Report ☒ Compliance with Objectives of National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF) ☒ Compliance with Objectives of Water Framework Directive (WFD) ☒ Compliance with Objectives of Marine Strategy Framework Directive (MSFD) ☐ Natura Impact Statement (NIS) Report ☒ Other: AIMU

Section 117(3) notice issued: Request for Additional Information -RAI	☒ YES ☐ Not required	
1st RAI	Issued: 21/04/2026	Received: 30/04/2026
Document(s) submitted: Applicant response		

Screening Assessment:	
Screening for EIA: Section 117(5)(a)	☒ Screening for EIA: NOT REQUIRED ☐ Screening for EIA: REQUIRED Date of Report: 11/05/2026 Signed by Maria O’Connell on 11/05/2026 Approved by Alison McCarthy on 14/05/2026
Screening for Appropriate Assessment: Regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S.I. 477 of 2011)	☐ Screened IN ☒ Screened OUT Date of AA Screening Report & Determination: 11/05/2026 Signed by Maria O’Connell on 11/05/2026 Approved by Alison McCarthy on 14/05/2026
If <i>SCREENED IN</i>: Was NIS/updated NIS requested in accordance with Section 117(6)(a)?	☐ YES: New NIS requested ☐ YES: Updated NIS requested ☒ NO: Not Required
AA Screening Report and Determination published on MARA website:	Date: 14/05/2026

Referral to Public Bodies:	
☒ National Parks and Wildlife Service ☒ Department of Agriculture, Food & the Marine ☒ Marine Institute ☒ Bord Iascaigh Mhara ☒ Sea Fisheries Protection Authority ☒ Inland Fisheries Ireland ☒ Environmental Protection Agency ☒ Commissioner for Irish Lights ☒ Dept. of Transport - Marine Survey Office ☒ National Monuments Service and Dept. of Housing, Local Government & Heritage ☒ Geological Survey of Ireland ☒ Health and Safety Authority ☒ Dept. of Climate, Energy & the Environment ☒ Relevant Local Authority ☒ Relevant Port Company ☐ Other:	
Date of Referral to Public Bodies	19/01/2026
Observations from Public Bodies received?	☒ YES: Number received 6 (5 in report as DAFM & MI combined) ☐ NO
MUL Assessment Report and Proposed Licence:	
Final MUL Assessment Report <i>includes AA Report & Determination</i>	Date of final report: 20/05/2026 Signed by Maria O'Connell on 21/05/2026 Approved by John Evans on 26/05/2026
Public Submissions taken into account in Final MUL Assessment Report:	☐ YES ☐ NO ☒ N/A
Public Bodies Responses taken into account in Final MUL Assessment Report:	☒ YES ☐ NO ☐ N/A
Conditions Scrumped (for this application) or amended conditions in this Licence:	☒ YES Condition 19. Slight amendment to wording of condition. ☐ NO
Legal advice requested for this application:	☐ YES ☒ NO

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Mitigation Measure reference in the MUL Assessment Report have been included in the proposed Licence:	☒ YES ☐ NO
The proposed license accurately reflects all other conditions and reasons found in the Master Licence:	☒ YES ☐ NO
Is a Derogation Licence from the National Parks and Wildlife Service required:	☐ YES ☒ NO The Applicant states a licence is not required.
MARA Licence Map is inserted into Proposed Licence:	☒ YES ☐ NO

Minded to Determination of Licence Application:	
Case Worker Recommendation	☒ GRANT ☐ PART GRANT ☐ REFUSE
Period Specified to Applicant for submission of supplementary material in relation to the reasons for conditions: Section 119(6)(b)	☒ 21 days ☐ Other:

Signed by (Caseworker)

Leeanne Doyle

Date

25/05/2026

Annex 1 – List of Accompanying Documents:	
Screening for AA Report & Determination	☒
Final MUL Assessment Report	☒
Proposed Licence	☒
Proposed Minded to Notice	☒