

Minded to Determine Notice

**To: Wexford County Council,
Wexford County Council, Unit 7 Key West, Custom House Quay, Wexford,**

**Re: Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 - Application for a Maritime Usage Licence
Maritime Usage Licence (MUL) Reference: MUL240003**

Marine environmental surveys for the purposes of site investigation to establish baseline oceanographic and environmental data for use in assessments in relation to the potential dredging of these locations. Wexford County Council (the authority for the port of New Ross) propose to undertake a number of surveys in this section of estuary.

Date: 03/02/2026

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Dear Applicant,

I refer to your application to the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) for the above referenced Maritime Usage Licence.

Pursuant to section 119(6)(b) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (“the Act”), MARA hereby gives notice to Wexford County Council that, MARA is minded to grant the above licence.

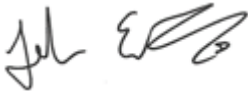
Section 119(6)(b) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 provides that MARA must give a notice to the applicant with the reasons for the conditions and allow the applicant an opportunity to provide supplementary material in relation to the reasons for further consideration before MARA makes a final determination on the licence application.

For this purpose, I enclose a copy of the proposed licence with the proposed conditions and the reasons for these conditions. You may provide supplementary material in view of the reasons set out in this proposed licence only, which MARA will consider before making a final determination on the licence application. Any supplementary material must be furnished to MARA at licence@mara.gov.ie by the **02/04/2026** at the latest. MARA will not accept any supplementary material after this date.

Where you do not wish to provide such supplementary material to MARA, please confirm same to licence@mara.gov.ie at your earliest convenience. This confirmation will enable MARA to advance to final determination.

For the avoidance of doubt, no decision to grant the licence shall be considered to have been made until MARA makes a final determination on the licence application.

Yours faithfully,



Mr John Evans

Director, Maritime Usage Licence and Planning Authority Directorate