

Final Determination Memo	
Re: Application for a Maritime Area Consent (MAC) under Section 79 of Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (the Act)	
Application Details	
MAC Applicant:	Donegal County Council
MAC Reference No:	MAC20240002
Date Application received:	31 May 2024
Proposed Maritime Usage:	Donegal County Council applied for a MAC under Section 79 of the Act for a new pontoon at the Mall Quay, Ballyshannon, Co. Donegal. The proposed works include the construction, use, operation and maintenance of a pontoon, access gangway and associated mooring infrastructure and regularisation of an existing car park.
Recommendation	To approve the Part Granting of the MAC sought with conditions attached.
Permitted Maritime Usage	The construction, use, operation and maintenance of a pontoon, access gangway and associated mooring infrastructure and use, operation and maintenance of an amenity area, including all associated decommissioning, demolition and rehabilitation.

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A minded to notice issued to Donegal County Council under Section 81(7)(b) on 16 December 2025 informing Donegal County Council that MARA was minded to part grant a MAC subject to the conditions attached to the MAC. A copy of the draft MAC and reasons for the conditions attached were also furnished to the Applicant within the notice.

The Applicant responded to the minded to notice by email on 19 December 2025, confirming that Donegal County Council were satisfied with the reasons for the proposed conditions.

Accordingly, it is recommended to issue a final determination notice, as enclosed, in relation to the above application in accordance with Section 81(3) of the Act. It is recommended to finalise enclosed MAC with conditions and reasons attached thereto, as per the draft MAC and minded to notice.

Signed: *Paul Brennan* Date: *29/12/2025*