MAC Report	
Application for a Maritime Area Consent (MAC) under Section 79 of Maritime Area Planning Act 2021, as amended (the Act)	
Application Details	
MAC Applicant:	Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council
MAC Reference Nos:	MAC20230015, MAC250061 and MAC250062
Location:	Dún Laoghaire Rathdown, Co. Dublin
Date Application received:	11 July 2024
Proposed Maritime Usage:	Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council have applied for a MAC for recreational facilities in Dún Laoghaire Harbour. The proposed maritime usage includes the construction, installation, use, operation and maintenance of a Floating Water Park, Pontoon and Floating Sauna, including all associated decommissioning, demolition, rehabilitation and any other works required on foot of any development permission relating to the infrastructure, where required.
Recommendation:	To approve the part granting of the MAC sought, and the granting of three MACs with conditions attached.

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1. Overview

Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council has submitted a Maritime Area Consent (MAC) application to MARA under Section 79 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021, as amended (the Act) for the installation of a Floating Water Park, a Pontoon and a Floating Sauna within Dún Laoghaire Harbour.

2. Background

Dún Laoghaire Harbour is heavily utilised for recreational and commercial activities. The proposed scheme extends existing recreational amenity in the area. A National Watersports Campus is also planned to be developed within this area of Dun Laoghaire Harbour. The proposed MAC area was previously used for recreational purposes with a Floating Water Park located in the same approximate area between 2017 and 2020.

3. Proposed Maritime Usage

This proposed scheme is planned to be situated adjacent to the Old Quay within the Coal Harbour in the southwest section of Dún Laoghaire Harbour. The proposed maritime usage includes three separate adjacent activities as follows:

Area A - Floating Water Park - The proposed Floating Water Park is proposed to include a series of inflatable components that will be connected to mooring blocks situated on the seabed. An inflatable barrier is proposed to be constructed to contain and demark the activities to within the area. The Applicant stated that "*the Water Park will be accessed via an existing boarding pontoon. A series of pre-cast mooring blocks will be used to tie inflatable components within the Water Park."* A Routine Maintenance Schedule for the Floating Water Park was detailed within the MAC application indicating daily, weekly and monthly checks proposed to be undertaken. It was also indicated that the inflatable components may be removed and put into storage for the winter months.

Area B - Pontoon - It is proposed to install a circa 30m long x 4m wide HDPE modular pontoon along the south side of the Old Quay. The Pontoon is proposed to be secured to 6 steel guides, bolted to the existing wall of the Old Quay. Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council states that the Pontoon will provide a berth for the Floating Sauna proposed under Area C.

Area C - Floating Sauna – The Sauna will be based on a pontoon structure approximately 8m long x 5m wide. The Floating Sauna pontoon is proposed to be attached to the main Pontoon (Area B) with hinged steel fixing brackets.

The Pontoon and the Floating Sauna are proposed to operate 7 days a week, year-round.

The MAC area sought by the Applicant is illustrated in *Figure 1*.

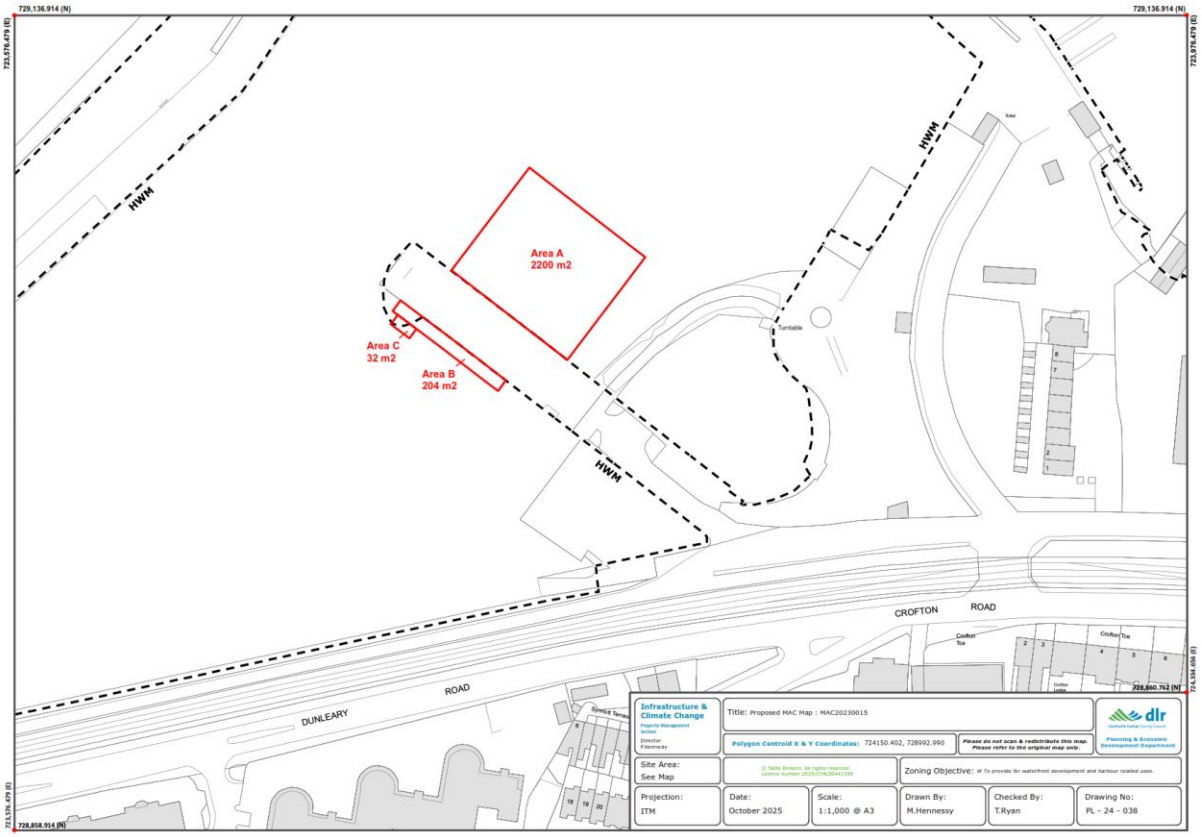

***Figure 1** – Applicant map of proposed layout of MAC area at Dún Laoghaire Harbour.*

The Applicant confirmed to MARA on 17 November 2025 that the proposed MAC area as illustrated in *Figure 1* excludes parts of Areas B and C that are above the High Water Mark (HMW).

The total area proposed to be occupied by the MAC is 2,385.32m^2, comprising 2199.61m^2 for Area A, 165.86 m^2 for Area B and 19.85 m^2 for Area C.

The Applicant has sought a 35-year MAC term, which is stated to primarily apply for the Pontoon, which is intended to become part of the National Watersports Campus project. The Applicant indicated that they intend to:

- install the Floating Water Park in 2026 with removal in 2028/2029; and
- install the Pontoon in 2028 with removal in 2061,
- install the Floating Sauna in 2026 with removal planned for between 2030 and 2040.

Design life for each of the Floating Water Park, Pontoon and Floating Sauna was stated as 10, 20 and 10-15 years respectively, subject to ongoing maintenance and replacement.

The Applicant advises that they will seek an amendment of the proposed MAC once either the Floating Water Park or the Floating Sauna are removed.

4. Site Visit

Joseph McCarthy, Chartered Engineer and Director at McCarthy Browne visited the site on behalf of MARA on 30 October 2025. Dún Laoghaire harbour is open to the public and the proposed MAC area is readily accessible via the existing pier (Old Quay) within the Coal Harbour.

During the site visit operational berths and mooring infrastructure were noted to be present in the proposed MAC location. The Applicant holds a foreshore lease (FS006713) to provide and maintain moorings within Dun Laoghaire Harbour, refer to *Section 5.2* for further details. It is considered that any relocation of berths and/or moorings that may be required to facilitate the proposed works will be managed by Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council.

An existing pontoon system was noted during the site visit to the South of the proposed MAC Area B. According to MARA records the existing pontoon was not installed under a maritime authorisation or foreshore authorisation (under sections 2&3 of the Foreshore Act of 1933, as amended), MAC or Maritime Usage Licence (MUL) - see *Photograph 3*. The existing pontoon should not impact the processing of this application and is unlikely to be affected by the proposed works. MARA's Compliance, Enforcement and Revenue (CER) unit have been made aware of the potentially unauthorised pontoon observed during the site visit.

Considering the above, there was nothing evident on the day of the site inspection that would preclude MARA from granting a MAC for the proposed maritime usage.

Photo 1: *North-westerly view of MAC Area A.*

Photo 2: *View south-easterly towards MAC Areas B and C from West Pier.*

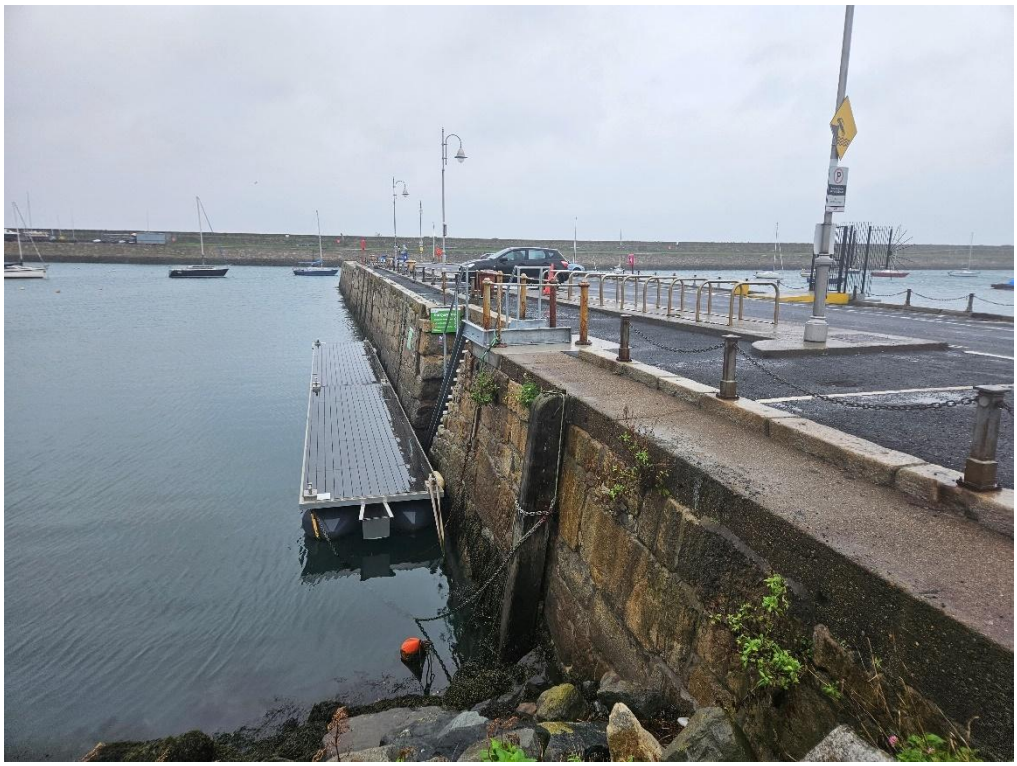

Photo 3: *North-westerly view of MAC Areas B and C.*

5. Review of Legislation & Associated Consents

5.1 Applicable Provisions of the Maritime Area Planning Act, 2021 as amended (the Act)

Under the Act, MARA has responsibility for granting MACs.

Schedule 3 and Schedule 4 of the Act specifies maritime usages for which a MAC is not required, including where the proposed maritime usage falls under the remit of another enactment, is navigation or fishing, is a licensable activity under Schedule 7 or where the activity is to be undertaken on private land. The proposed maritime usage is not considered to fall under those listed under Schedule 3 or 4 of the Act.

The subject MAC application comes within the provisions of both Section 75 (where development permission is required) and Section 76 of the Act (where development permission is not required).

The Applicant has stated that the Pontoon in Area B requires requires development permission. In accordance with Section 75(1) of the Act, a MAC is required before an application for development permission can be lodged with the relevant consent authority.

The Applicant has stated that the Floating Water Park (Area A) and Floating Sauna (Area C) do not require development permission. In accordance with Section 76 of the Act, a MAC is required for the occupation of that part of the maritime area for any such usage, where development permission is not required.

Section 144(1)(c) of the Act specifies that a MAC terminates immediately upon the occurrence of the following event:

> *"(c) development permission is required for the maritime usage the subject of the authorisation and the application for such permission—*
> *(i) has not been made within the period specified in a condition, referred to in paragraph 5 of Part 1 of Schedule 6, attached to the authorisation, or*
> *(ii) has been refused in circumstances where no further step can be taken by the holder, or a court, in respect of that application."*

Where a single MAC was to be granted for the proposed maritime usage on the basis of both the provisions of Section 75 and 76 of the Act, the **entirety** of the MAC would terminate under Section 144(1)(c) where there is a failure to obtain development permission for that part of the maritime usage which requires development permission (as per Section 75).

Furthermore, where parts of the permitted maritime usage not requiring development permission were undertaken prior to Section 144(1)(c) being applied, this could result in an existing permitted maritime usage inadvertently becoming unauthorised.

Accordingly, it is considered in the case of this application, that the granting of a single MAC could disadvantage the Applicant in relation to proposed maritime usages which fall under the basis of Section

76 (i.e. the Floating Water Park and Floating Sauna) where development permission is not required. It is therefore recommended that three separate MACs are granted in this instance.

5.2 Existing Consents & Authorisations

A search of the MARA's GIS database was undertaken on 18 November 2025 for spatial overlaps between the proposed MAC areas and existing foreshore authorisations and MARA licences and consents.

The Marine Institute's Ireland's Marine Atlas database[1] was searched on 20 November 2025 for spatial overlap between the proposed MAC areas and any Department of Agriculture, Fisheries and Marine foreshore authorisations for aquaculture sites.

The proposed MAC area does not overlap with any existing MACs or MUL or applications for same. The application overlaps with a number of foreshore authorisations as detailed in *Table 1* below.

Table 1: Summary of Overlapping maritime authorisations and foreshore authorisations

File Reference Number	Applicant/ Holder	Consent Type	Maritime Usage	Status
FS006713	Dun Laoghaire Rathdown County Council	Lease	The provision and maintenance of existing moorings within Dun Laoghaire Harbour.	Expires 12/02/2059
FS007546	Codling Wind Park Ltd (CWPL)	Investigative Licence	Site investigation application for Wind Farm.	Expires 25/04/2028

As Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council is the Applicant for the subject MAC application and the Holder of overlapping foreshore lease FS006713 referred to Table 1, it is considered that the spatial overlap does not prevent the granting of a MAC.

Given that foreshore licences are granted on a non-exclusive basis, it is considered that the spatial overlap with foreshore licence FS007546 does not prevent the granting of a MAC.

5.3 Development Permission

The Applicant has submitted written confirmation from the planning authority (Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council) dated 02 December 2025 in relation to the Floating Water Park (Area A) and Floating Sauna (Area C) stating that the proposed usage is exempt from requiring development consent in accordance with Section 4(1)(f) of the Planning and Development Act 2000.

Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council has stated that the proposed Pontoon in Area B requires development permission. They indicated that should they be successful in obtaining a MAC for the proposed project, they intend to submit an application in 2027 for development permission for the

[1] https://atlas.marine.ie/

pontoon as part of their overall development permission application for a National Watersports Campus. No application for development permission has been made in advance of seeking a MAC from MARA.

Owing to the nature and scale of the proposed works, it is considered reasonable that the MAC Holder (if successful in obtaining a MAC) should submit a valid application for development consent for the Pontoon Area B to the relevant planning authority within 24 months of the issuance of a MAC.

The Applicant in their development permission application to the relevant planning authority is required to include a Rehabilitation Schedule detailing how the Applicant proposes to rehabilitate the maritime area in accordance with Part 4, Chapter 8 of the Act.

5.4 Ownership

A search was undertaken of the Land Registry on 18 November 2025 for any document granting or affecting rights to land in order to ensure that there are no conflicts of interest with the MAC area being applied for as outlined in the proposed MAC Map.

No conflicts of interest affecting the proposed MAC area were identified.

6. Assessment

6.1 Schedule 5

The MAC application was submitted on 30 May 2024 with the appropriate fee paid on 11 July 2024 and reviewed for completeness on 29 July 2024. An incomplete application notification was issued on 29 July 2024 with supplementary documentation/information received on 14 August 2024. The application was deemed complete by MARA on 30 August 2024.

The Applicant submitted revised application documents to MARA on 17 June 2025.

A number of requests for additional information were issued on 06 September 2024, 23 October 2025 17 November 2025, 23 November 2025 and 24 November 2025 under Section 79(3) of the Act and associated responses received relating to matters for general, technical and financial assessment on 09 September 2024, 28 October 2025, 17, 26 & 27 November 2025 and 02 December 2025.

Schedule 5 of the Act sets out the criteria to which MARA must have regard when assessing a MAC application. This report sets out the assessment undertaken pursuant to Section 5 of the Act. The assessment is summarised in *Table 2* below.

Table 2: Synopsis of the assessment of the application with regard to the requirements of Schedule 5

Schedule 5 Requirements		***Synopsis***	***Assessment***
1.	The nature, scope and duration of the occupation of the maritime area	Details of the proposed maritime usage, including the nature scope and duration are described in Sections 3 & 4 above. While the Applicant has sought a MAC term of 35 years, the design life indicated for the infrastructure is significantly less than the term	Partially Satisfied

	concerned for the purposes of the proposed maritime usage.	sought. Accordingly, it is recommended that the MAC term is based on design life plus timeframes required for obtaining development permission, decommissioning and rehabilitation. In addition, the Applicant has stated that the design of the Floating Sauna has not yet been finalised however they indicated a range of 10 to 15 years for the design life. It is recommended that the MAC term be based on the shortest design option. It is considered that the stated design life for Floating Water Park, Pontoon and Floating Sauna as 10, 20 and 10 years respectively, with proper maintenance and repair, should be achievable. Given that the Applicant has specified a different design life for each of the three proposed maritime uses, and allowing time for planning permission (where applicable), installation and rehabilitation/decommissioning phases, it is recommended that a separate MAC term is specified for each of the associated MAC areas as follows: • MAC Area A - Floating Water Park -11 years; • MAC Area B - Pontoon -25 years; and • MAC Area C - Floating Water Park -11 years. The proposed maritime usage is considered satisfactory, having regard to the nature and scope. The proposed maritime usage is considered partially satisfactory having to the duration sought. Accordingly, it is recommended to part grant a MAC for a shorter MAC term than that sought, as outlined above.	
2.	Whether the proposed maritime usage is in the public interest.	The Applicant has indicated that the proposed project aligns with the following policies: • National Outdoor Recreational Strategy; and • National Sports Policy 2018 – 2027. The proposed project is aimed to provide recreational facilities for the public. These facilities are considered likely to provide public benefits in relation to tourism, employment and access to and enjoyment of the maritime area. While there may be a number of existing moorings affected, given that a similar Floating Water Park operated in the same location between 2017 and 2020 and that the Applicant has a foreshore lease to manage moorings within the harbour, it is considered that impacts to these existing users can be mitigated by the Applicant. Having regard to the above it considered that the proposed maritime usage is within the public interest.	Satisfactory
3.	The location and spatial extent of the occupation of the maritime area concerned for the	The total area proposed to be occupied by the MAC is 2,385.32m^2, comprising MAC Areas A (2199.61m^2), Area B (165.86m^2) and Areas C (19.85m^2), as illustrated in Figures 2 to 4 (Proposed MAC Map) in *Section 9*. Details of the location, relevant consents, ownership and development	Satisfactory

	purposes of the proposed maritime usage.	permissions are provided in Sections 3 to 5 above. Based on the searches and site visit undertaken, nothing was identified that would preclude the granting of a MAC in the proposed area. Accordingly, the proposed maritime usage is considered satisfactory, having regard to the locations and spatial extent of the occupation.	
4.	Guidelines issued under Section 7 which are relevant to the proposed maritime usage.	No such guidelines have been published to date.	Not applicable
5.	Whether the Applicant is a fit and proper person (within the meaning of Schedule 2) to be granted a MAC, both at the time the application is made and at the time that the MAC application concerned is determined by the MARA.	In accordance with *S.I. No. 467/2025 - Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (Fit and Proper Person) Order 2025,* Dún Laoghaire Rathdown County Council has been declared as a fit and proper person to be granted and to hold any MAC in accordance with Section 90(1)(b) of the Act.	Satisfactory
6.	Whether the Applicant is tax compliant, both at the time the application is made and at the time that the MAC application concerned is determined by the MARA.	The Applicant submitted Tax Registration Number and Tax Clearance Access Number (TCAN) which was used to view the Applicant's tax clearance certificate. Based on the review of the tax clearance certificate, the Applicant is considered tax compliant.	Satisfactory
7.	In the case of any maritime usage relating to offshore renewable energy (within the meaning of section 100), the consistency of the MAC application concerned with the development plans of the transmission system operator (within the meaning of section 100).	Not applicable	Not Applicable

8.	The National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF).	Based on a review of the application, MARA has had regard to the National Marine Planning Framework (NMPF), and it is considered that the proposed project aligns with the overall objectives of the NMPF, including the sport & recreation, tourism, economic and social objectives set out therein. It is considered that the proposed project aligns with the following economic, social and key sectoral policy objectives of the NMPF: • **Access Policy 2** - Proposals demonstrating appropriate enhanced and inclusive public access to and within the maritime area, and that consider the future provision of services for tourism and recreation activities, should be supported, subject to the outcome of statutory environmental assessment processes and subsequent decision by the competent authority, and where they contribute to the policies and objectives of this NMPF. • **Employment Policy 1** - Proposals should demonstrate contribution to a net increase in marine related employment in Ireland, particularly where the proposals are: - in line with the skills available in Irish coastal communities adjacent to the maritime area, - improve the sustainable use of natural resources, diversify skills to enable employment in emerging industries. • **Social Benefits Policy 1** - Proposals that enhance or promote social benefits should be supported. • **Social Benefits Policy 2** - Proposals that increase the understanding and enjoyment of the marine environment (including its natural, historic and social value), or that promote conservation management and increased education and skills, should be supported. • **Sport and Recreation Policy 1** - Proposals that promote sustainable development of water-based sports and marine recreation, while enhancing community health, wellbeing and quality of life, should be supported, provided that due consideration is given to environmental carrying capacities and tourism pressures. • **Sport and Recreation Policy 2** - Proposals should demonstrate the following in relation to potential impact on recreation and tourism: - The extent to which the proposal is likely to adversely impact sports clubs and other recreational users, including the extent to which proposals may interfere with facilities or other physical infrastructure. - The extent to which any proposal interferes with access to and along the shore, to the water, use of the resource for recreation or tourism purposes and existing navigational routes or navigational safety. - The extent to which the proposal is likely to adversely impact on the natural environment.	Satisfactory

		• **Tourism Policy 1** - Where appropriate, proposals enabling, promoting or facilitating sustainable tourism and recreation activities, particularly where this creates diversification or additional utilisation of related facilities beyond typical usage patterns, should be supported. In the application, the Applicant states that the proposed project is consistent with the environmental objectives of the NMPF. The Pontoon constitutes development which requires planning permission and environmental assessment of the proposed maritime usage, which is undertaken at development permission stage by the relevant planning authority. The above assessment does not prejudice any consideration and determination that the relevant Planning Authority may make in relation to the NMPF when considering the Planning Application for this development. Based on the above, MARA is satisfied that the proposed works align with the above overall objectives and policy objectives of the NMPF.	
9.	The extent and nature of the preparatory work already undertaken by the Applicant towards ensuring the efficacious undertaking of the proposed maritime usage the subject of the MAC application concerned should the Applicant be granted a MAC in respect of such usage.	The Applicant stated that: *"DLRCC published an expression of Interest tender in January 2025 to procure a suitable supplier to provide and to operate a Floating Sauna within the Inner Harbour of Dún Laoghaire Harbour. Significant interest was generated in this proposal, circa 40 submissions were received from interested parties and several social media posts and interviews were undertaken. Floating Sauna's are very popular in other countries such as Norway, research has been undertaken regarding the construction detail required for a Floating Sauna and specific designs that would be suitable."* and that *"Subsequent to the expression of interest tender competition for a Floating Sauna, DLRCC have held initial discussions with a suitable supplier and operator. The initial designs and operating procedures have been highlighted and further detail will be developed over the next phase of the project."* Having regard to the above, the extent of the preparatory works undertaken are considered acceptable for a project of this scale and nature.	Satisfactory
10.	The extent and nature of stakeholder engagement undertaken by the Applicant in respect of the proposed maritime usage.	The Applicant states that: *"Local stakeholders were asked for comment regarding the potential installation of a Water Park within the Coal Harbour of Dún Laoghaire Harbour. The overall feedback was very positive as it would be deemed an asset in terms of benefits to local businesses within Dún Laoghaire Town."*	Satisfactory

		A consultation report dated May 2024 was also included with the application which detailed feedback from and letters/ emails of support from local stakeholders, including Goat Boat tours, Dublin Bay Sailing Club, Gasóga Mara, Moontour, Irish SUP, Bigstyle Paddle Boarding and Kayaking.ie. Having regard to the above, the extent and nature of the stakeholder engagement undertaken is therefore considered acceptable for a project of this scale and nature.	
11.	Where a competitive process referred to in section 93 or 103 is used, the outcome of such process.	Not applicable	Not applicable
12.	Any additional criteria specified, for the purposes of this paragraph, in regulations made under section 80(2).	No such regulations have been made to date.	Not applicable

6.2 Rehabilitation Schedule

Under section 96(1) of the Act, it is required that the holder of a MAC shall, before the expiration of the MAC, rehabilitate that part of the maritime area the subject of the MAC.

As the Floating Water Park and Floating Sauna elements of the subject MAC application fall under Section 76 of the Act, it is required that a rehabilitation schedule for those maritime usages be attached to any associated MAC granted. Section 96(4) of the Act specifies particulars that should be included in a rehabilitation schedule that set out how the Applicant will discharge their rehabilitation obligations.

The Applicant submitted Rehabilitation Schedules relating to the proposed infrastructure on the 27 November 2025. Upon review of the requirements of Section 96 of the Act, the Rehabilitation Schedules relating to the Floating Water Park and Floating Sauna are considered satisfactory.

In accordance with Section 75(5) of the Act, as for MAC applications made to MARA on the basis of Section 75(1) of the Act, as is the case for the Pontoon, the Applicant is required to attach a Rehabilitation Schedule to their associated application for development permission.

6.3 Section 83 – Nature of Use

Section 83(1) of the Act requires MARA in the granting of a MAC to specify whether the specific part of the maritime area the subject of that MAC is for exclusive use or not. Section 83(1) provides MARA discretion and flexibility to specify the nature of the use (i.e. exclusive, non-exclusive or may/may not be exclusive).

The Applicant has sought that the MAC be granted on a non-exclusive basis stating that the "*application is for the installation of Floating structures and would not prevent other activities (e.g. pipeline / cable routes / sampling) on the seabed below them."* Furthermore, having regard to the nature and lifecycle of the proposed maritime usage, it is considered that the granting of exclusive use is not merited, particularly having regard to co-existence and co-operation objectives of the NMPF. Accordingly, it is recommended that the MAC is granted on a "non-exclusive" basis in accordance with Section 83(1)(b) of the Act.

7. Levy

An annual MAC levy has been calculated based on the project type and proposed MAC area in accordance with MARA's MAC Levy Framework as set out below.

Applicable Area	**A (Floating Water Park)**	**B (Pontoon)**	**C (Floating Sauna)**
MAPA Levy Framework Part:	A: Nearshore		
Category/Class:	*Development (non-commercial)*		
Tier:	Tier 1, Dún Laoghaire, Salthill		
Applicable Rate:	Base annual charge of €208.46 plus an add on of €2.34 per square meters (m^2) for areas in excess of 100m^2		
Length or Area:	*2,199.61m^2*	*165.86 m^2*	*19.85 m^2*
Calculation:	€208.46 + (€2.34 * (2,199.61 - 100.00))	€208.46 + €2.34 * (165.86 - 100.00))	€208.46
Levy Due:	€5,121.55	€362.57	€208.46
Total Levy Due	€5,692.58		

The MAC levy has been calculated as €5,692.58 per annum. All levies are indexed to the Harmonised Index of Consumer Prices (HICP), applied on an annual basis.

8. Discussion

Based on the assessments undertaken contained herein, it is considered that the subject MAC application complies with all the necessary requirements of Part 4 of the Act, with particular regard to Schedule 5 criteria, where relevant and appropriate, with the exception of Schedule 5(1). The 35-year duration of the MAC term sought is not considered to be justified having regard to the design life specified by the Applicant for each piece of infrastructure as detailed in *Section 6, Table 2 (Part 1)*. Accordingly, it is recommended to part grant the MAC sought for a shorter MAC term than that applied for. It is recommended that a separate MAC term is specified for each area based on the design life for

each of the three proposed maritime uses, allowing for planning permission (where applicable), installation and rehabilitation/decommissioning phases as set out in the terms under *Section 8(a)* below.

As set out under Sections 5.1 and 5.3 above, if a single MAC were to be granted for the proposed maritime usage on the basis of both the provisions of Section 75 and 76 of the Act, the entirety of the MAC would terminate under Section 144(1)(c) where there is a failure to obtain development permission for that part of the maritime usage which requires development permission. Accordingly, it is considered in the case of this application, that the granting of a single MAC could disadvantage the Applicant.

Having regard to the fact that:

- different MAC terms are recommended for each MAC area,
- the application falls under the basis of both Section 75 and 76 of the Act, and
- while the activities are reasonably connected (i.e. recreational activity in a confined, localised area), they occupy distinctly separate areas,

it is recommended that three separate MACs are granted in this instance.

MAC reference numbers have been assigned to each recommended MAC as referenced below, with Area A retaining the original MAC reference number (MAC20230015).

The above consideration has been made subject to the following recommended terms and conditions:

a. Terms

MAC Ref No.	**MAC20230015**	**MAC250061**	**MAC250062**
Area	**A (Floating Water Park)**	**B (Pontoon)**	**C (Floating Sauna)**
MAC Term:	11	25	11
Consent Area:	That part of the maritime area marked red on the MAC Map.	That part of the maritime area marked red on the MAC Map.	That part of the maritime area marked red on the MAC Map.
MAC Map Title:	Title: Maritime Area Consent Map MAC20230015 Drawing No: MAC20230015-001 Date: 27/11/2025	Title: Maritime Area Consent Map MAC250061 Drawing No: MAC2050061-001 Date: 27/11/2025	Title: Maritime Area Consent Map MAC2050062 Drawing No: MAC250062-001 Date: 27/11/2025
Permitted Maritime Usage:	The installation, use, operation and maintenance of a Floating Water Park, including all associated	The installation, use, operation and maintenance of a Pontoon, including all associated decommissioning, demolition, rehabilitation and any other works	The installation, use, operation and maintenance of a Floating Sauna, including all associated decommissioning, demolition, rehabilitation.

	decommissioning, demolition, rehabilitation.	required on foot of any development permission relating to the infrastructure.	
Nature of Usage:	Non-Exclusive	Non-Exclusive	Non-Exclusive
Date by which application for Development Permission must be submitted:	Not applicable	24 months from date of grant of MAC.	Not applicable
The minimum number of days in which the MAC Holder shall provide the Grantor advance notice in writing of the Holder's intention to commence the Permitted Maritime Usage.	14 Days	14 Days	14 Days

b. Conditions and Reasons for Conditions

Section 82 of the Act specifies that MARA may attach to a MAC one or more conditions which fall within the types of conditions specified in Part 1 of Schedule 6 of the Act. All conditions contained in Schedule 6; Part 2 are deemed to be attached to each MAC.

The standard suite of MARA conditions reflecting the contractual and statutory relationship that will exist with a grant of consent are also recommended. Reasons for these conditions are set out in the enclosed Section 81(7)(b) Minded to Notice.

9. Proposed MAC Map (for Illustration purposes only)

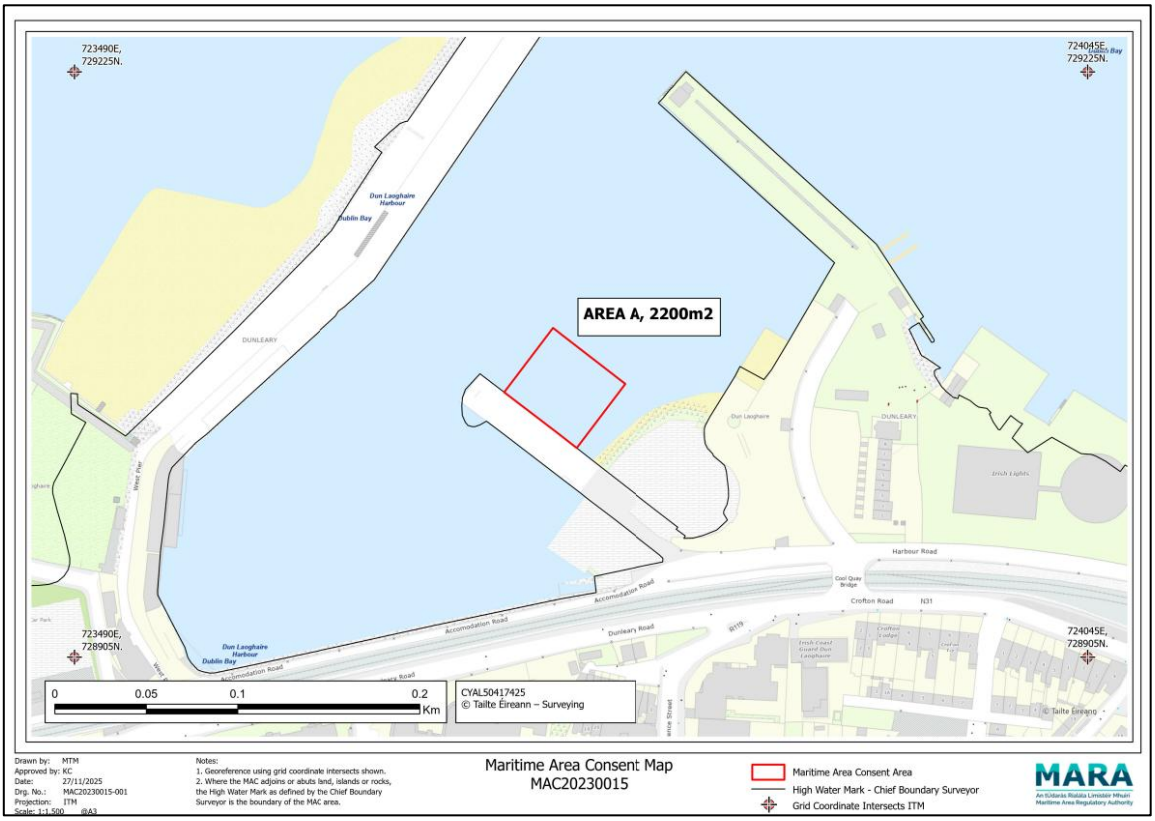

Figure 2 – *Proposed MAC Map – Floating Water Park MAC20230015*

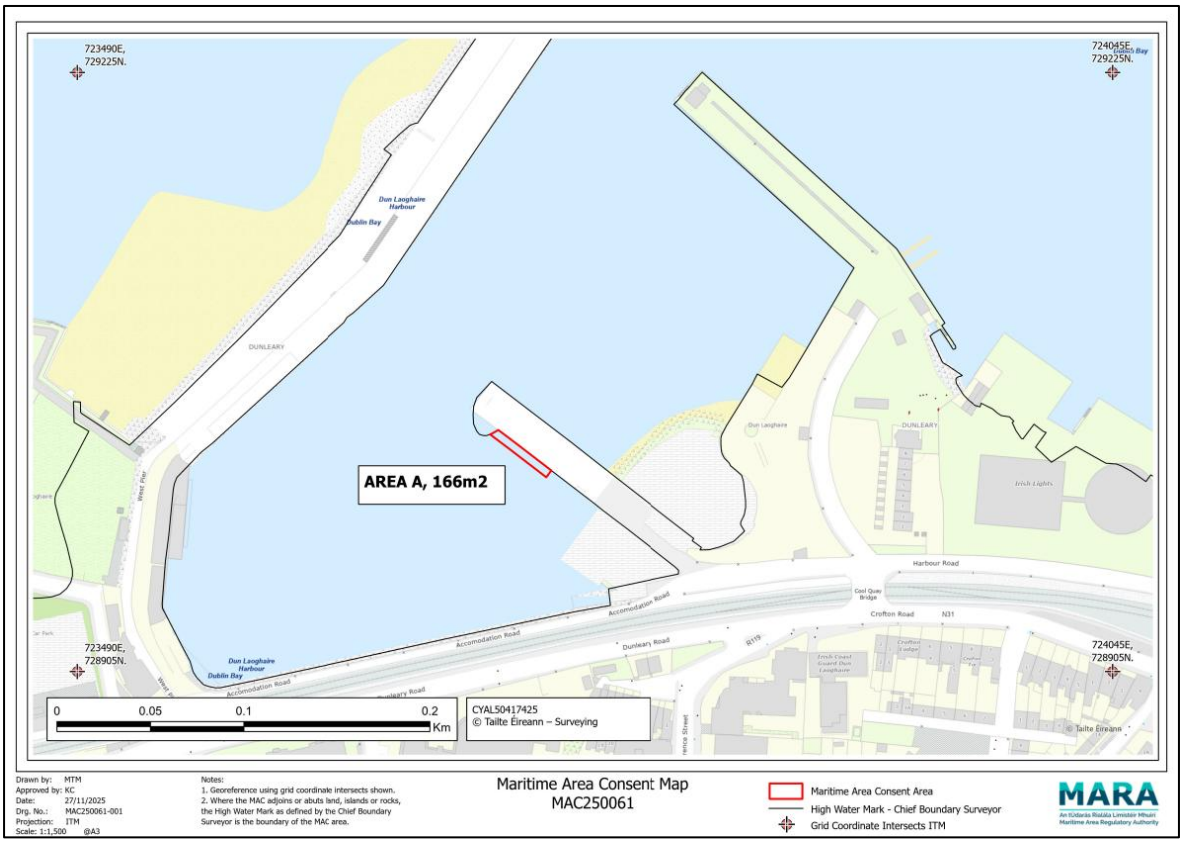

Figure 3 – *Proposed MAC Map – Pontoon MAC250061*

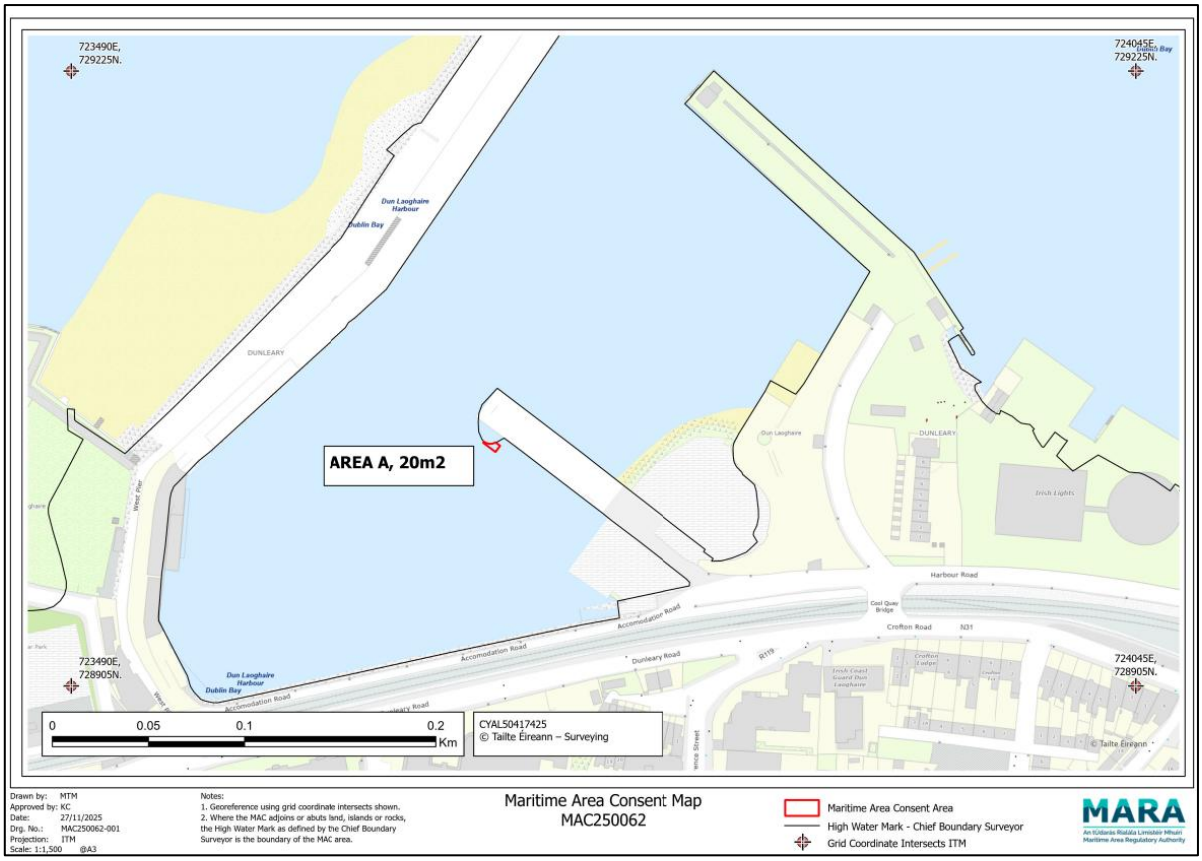

Figure 4 – *Proposed MAC Map – Floating Sauna MAC250062*

10. Conclusion & Recommendation

Following a detailed assessment of all information on file, it is considered that the proposal complies with all the necessary requirements, subject to reduced MAC terms being granted. Accordingly, it is recommended to issue a Section 81(7)(b) Minded to Notice, as enclosed, informing the Applicant that MARA is minded to part grant the MAC sought, and to grant three separate MACs subject to the proposed conditions attached to each MAC. It is recommended to allow the Applicant 21 days from the date of issue of the Minded to Notice to submit supplementary material in relation to the reasons for the part grant and the reasons for the conditions as per Section 81(7)(b)(ii) of the Act.

Once a final determination is made by MARA, the Applicant will be notified and MARA will publish a notice on its website as soon as practicable thereafter.

Signed: *Kate Clark* Position: Head of MAC Unit