

Notice under section 122(1) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 (“the MAP Act)

Grant of a licence under Part 5 of the MAP Act

Name and address of the holder of the licence

National Oceanography Centre, Waterfront Campus, European Way, Southampton, Hampshire, SO14 3EZ, United Kingdom

Date of the licence

07/07/2026

Period of the licence

2 years

Maritime usage the subject of the licence

Offshore activities as part of a scientific research project funded by the United Kingdom’s Natural Environment Research Council (NERC) to conduct systematic scientific surveys in the deep-sea Whittard Canyon and Gollum Channel, to perform a first of its kind characterisation of the transport of natural particles, nutrients, organic carbon and pollutants from the continental shelf to the deep-sea.

Licence conditions

The licence conditions are contained in the licence which has been granted to the holder.

Map of the part of the maritime area the subject of the licence

A map of the part of the maritime area the subject of the licence can be located at appendix 1 of the licence which has been granted to the holder.

Judicial review

The validity of the licence determination may be questioned by judicial review under order 84 of the Superior Courts Rules (S.I. No 15 of 1986) in accordance with chapter 8, part 5 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021. Any application for leave to apply for judicial review shall be made within eight weeks of the date of this notice. Practical information on judicial review can be obtained from

the Citizens Information Board, Ground Floor, George's Quay House, 43 Townsend Street, Dublin 2 ([Citizens Information Board](#) website) or from the [Courts website](#).

Dated this 7th day of July 2026

The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority