

Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA)

2025 FOI Disclosure Logs of non-personal Freedom of Information Requests

FOI Number	Requester	Date of Request	Details of Request	Decision	Date Decision Issued
FOI_001_2025	Other	05/02/2025	If MARA requires owner of an existing offshore installation or project in development to provide adequate medical cover on the site of such facility. If so, what is the established minimum clinical level of the medic and what regulatory body does this medic need to be registered with?	Withdrawn	13/02/2025
FOI_002_2025	Other	12/02/2025	Details of the levies applied to the installation of subsea cables in Irish foreshore waters.	Withdrawn	18/02/2025
FOI_003_2025	Environmental Group	11/03/2025	All communications in relation to potential Enforcement actions pursuant of Regulation 63 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 (S. I. No. 477 of 2011) or potential Enforcement actions pursuant of breaches with respect to the Statutory 'Guidance to Manage the Risk to Marine Mammals from Man-made Sound Sources in Irish Waters' (2014), carried out in waters of the Irish EEZ between the establishment of the MARA and 11th March 2025.	Refused	03/04/2025
FOI_004_2025	Other	12/05/2025	Communications between the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority and the Sceirde Rocks Wind Farm developers, Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta and Corio Generation, between the 7th April 2025 and today's date (12th May 2025), on any matter regarding the proposed scheme but	Refused	14/05/2025

			especially in regard to the developer's decision to no longer proceed with the development.		
FOI_005_2025	Other	12/05/2025	<p>Records covering the period 1 January 2018 to 31 December 2023, limited to records created by, received by, or shared with the Maritime Directorate, particularly within its responsibilities for maritime safety, marine communications, and coordination with the Naval Service or other State authorities:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Maritime incident reports or anomaly logs referring to underwater objects that were detected by sonar or reported by vessels operating under Irish registry, where those objects were: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Not identified as commercial or military vessels; ○ Not resolved by follow-up investigation; ○ Not attributable to natural phenomena or marine wildlife. 2. Internal correspondence, emails, or memos between the Department and: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Irish Naval Service, ○ The Irish Coast Guard, ○ The Marine Institute, ○ The European Maritime Safety Agency (EMSA), ○ Or other relevant domestic or international authorities, 	Withdrawn	14/05/2025

			<p>discussing underwater detections, unclassified submerged objects, or “unresolved sonar contacts.”</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 3. Data-sharing requests or notifications made to or from the Department regarding underwater contacts reported in: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ The Celtic Sea, ○ The Irish Sea, ○ Waters around offshore infrastructure such as gas pipelines, wind farms, or submarine cables. 4. Safety assessments or minutes of internal meetings where USOs or unexplained sub-surface detections were discussed in the context of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Navigational safety; ○ Security of maritime infrastructure; ○ Subsea activity reporting by commercial shipping or fishing vessels. 		
FOI_006_2025	Other	17/07/2025	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any records you hold relating to foreshore lease or licence FS005160 (Boatyard at Rogerstown) including (but not limited to) any agreements, deeds, leases, licences and maps 2. Any records you hold relating to foreshore lease or licence FS004605 	Withdrawn	18/07/2025

			(Amenity area at Rogerstown) including (but not limited to) any agreements, deeds, leases, licences and maps.		
FOI_007_2025	Other	19/08/2025	<p>The following records under the Freedom of Information Act 2014 relating to the property known as “Martha’s Vineyard,” 29 Coliemore Road, Dalkey, Co. Dublin, specifically in regard to the foreshore lease executed in 2006: I make this under an environmental impact position of European rules.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Any records, maps, drafts, correspondence, internal memos or legal opinions referring to Drawing number 9912/AL/40 Rev1 and 9912/AL/43 , particularly where it is referenced in the foreshore lease but not attached. 2. Records explaining or discussing the exclusion of the platform from the map attached to the 2006 lease, despite its identification in Drawing 9912/AL/40 Rev1 as “existing platform and 9912/AL/43.” 3. Copies of any correspondence or internal file notes from the Chief State Solicitor’s Office (CSSO), Marine engineers, or legal advisors discussing or querying the platform area, its ownership, or its inclusion in the 2002 vesting certificate. 4. A copy of the original application for foreshore lease made by or on behalf of Mr. 	Part-Grant	11/09/2025

			<p>Adrian Buckley (architect) from De Blacham Meagher, including all drawings, attachments, correspondence, and internal assessments. A later planning application was provided with a supplement from the Buckley application but the Adrian Buckley was omitted in contravention of FOI rules.</p> <p>5. Any documentation or maps submitted or altered by Adrian Hill, or discussions involving Edwin Mooney (Marine), regarding remapping or title clarification connected to this foreshore area.</p> <p>6. Any correspondence from the Minister as relation as to requirements that developments on privately owned foreshore also requires the prior permission of the Minister under the Foreshore Act and was this ever included in the existing platform under drawing number 9912/AL/40 Rev1 and 9912/AL/43.</p> <p>7. A solicitors undertaking was required to stamp & register the foreshore license/lease, was this complied with by James Hickey, Matheson Ormsby Prentice who was listed as the applicants legal advisors in Section E of Foreshore License application from May 2003.</p>		
FOI_008_2025	Other	09/10/2025	If the 1933 Foreshore act applies to Lough Foyle ,what part can be Leased or Licensed by way of a detailed Map so that there is no confusion over	Refused	28/10/2025

			the area that MARA can carry out its functions as to which applies to Irish State owned Foreshore and Seabed on lough Foyle.		
FOI_009_2025	Journalist	20/10/2025	A copy of the most up-to-date tracker for the implementation of recommendations from audits; A list of all audits carried out in the last two years to include the month and year of the audit and the overall assurance rating;	Grant	17/11/2025
FOI_010_2025	Other	23/10/2025	Records of Emails between Mara and Údarás na Gaeltachta on the subject of seaweed between 1/8/23 and the 20/10/2025.	Refused	05/11/2025
FOI_011_2025	Other	11/11/2025	Records of Emails between Mara and Nua na Mara on the subject of Seaweed between 1/8/23 and the 31/10/'25	Refused	21/11/2025
FOI_012_2025	Other	27/11/2025	information on the Monitoring Reports, provided to the Minister under the above Lease. Section 15.1 (1) Seabed Foundation Level. Initial 6 monthly reports for first two years and annual reports thereafter, as required by the lease. (2) Scour Reports for the foundations of each turbine – 6 monthly for the first two years and annually thereafter. (3) Information on the bird life monitoring on a quarterly basis since inception of the lease. (6) Monitoring of BENTHIC Communities on or adjacent to the turbine foundations, what reports are available for first five years of operation?	Administratively Closed	20/01/2026

			<p>Section 15.2 Has the monitoring referred to in Clause 15.1 caused any concern to the Minister and has the Minister required any additional monitoring?</p> <p>Section 15.3 (2) Has the Lessee complied with the requirement to furnish annual audited accounts?</p> <p>Section 15.4 Please provide copies of documents (a)(b) (c) (d) (e) (f)</p>		
FOI_013_2025	Other	28/11/2025	All internal emails, memos, minutes and meeting details regarding the License Application MUL250018 Mr. Noel Mannion - Seaweed Harvesting Application, between January 1, 2025, and November 28, 2025.	Withdrawn	16/12/2025
FOI_014_2025	Business/Interest Groups	24/12/2025	We are specifically seeking documents or records on ICT Projects and ICT planned procurements for the year 2026.	Refused	19/01/2026