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Request for Additional Information: Section 117(3) of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021

Maritime Usage Licence Application Reference: MUL240047

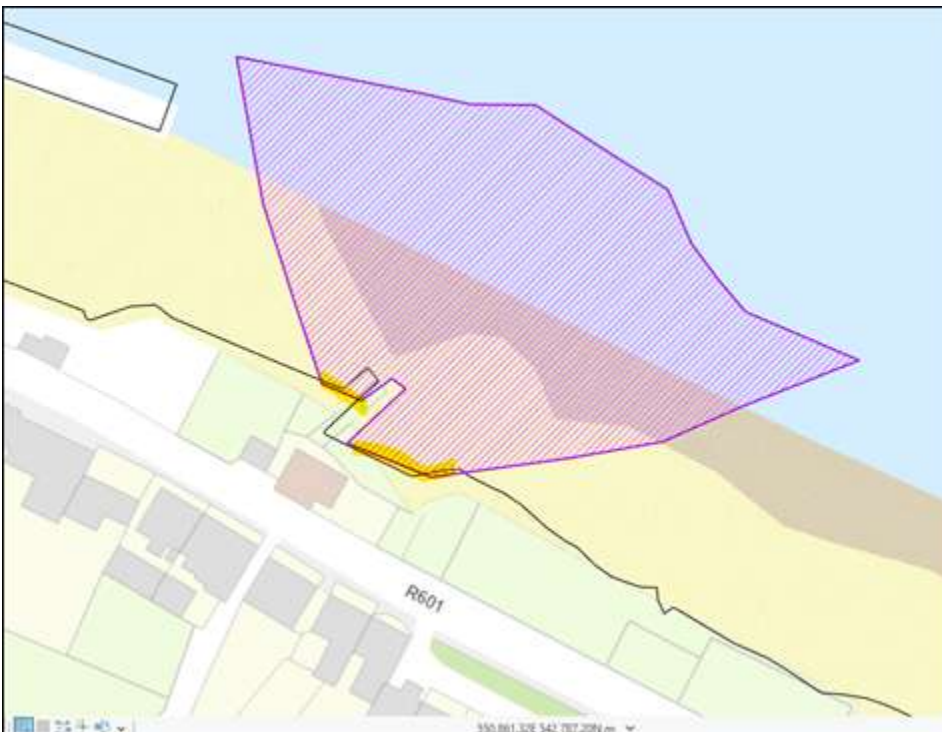
Dear Applicant,

I refer to the above referenced maritime usage licence application received by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA).

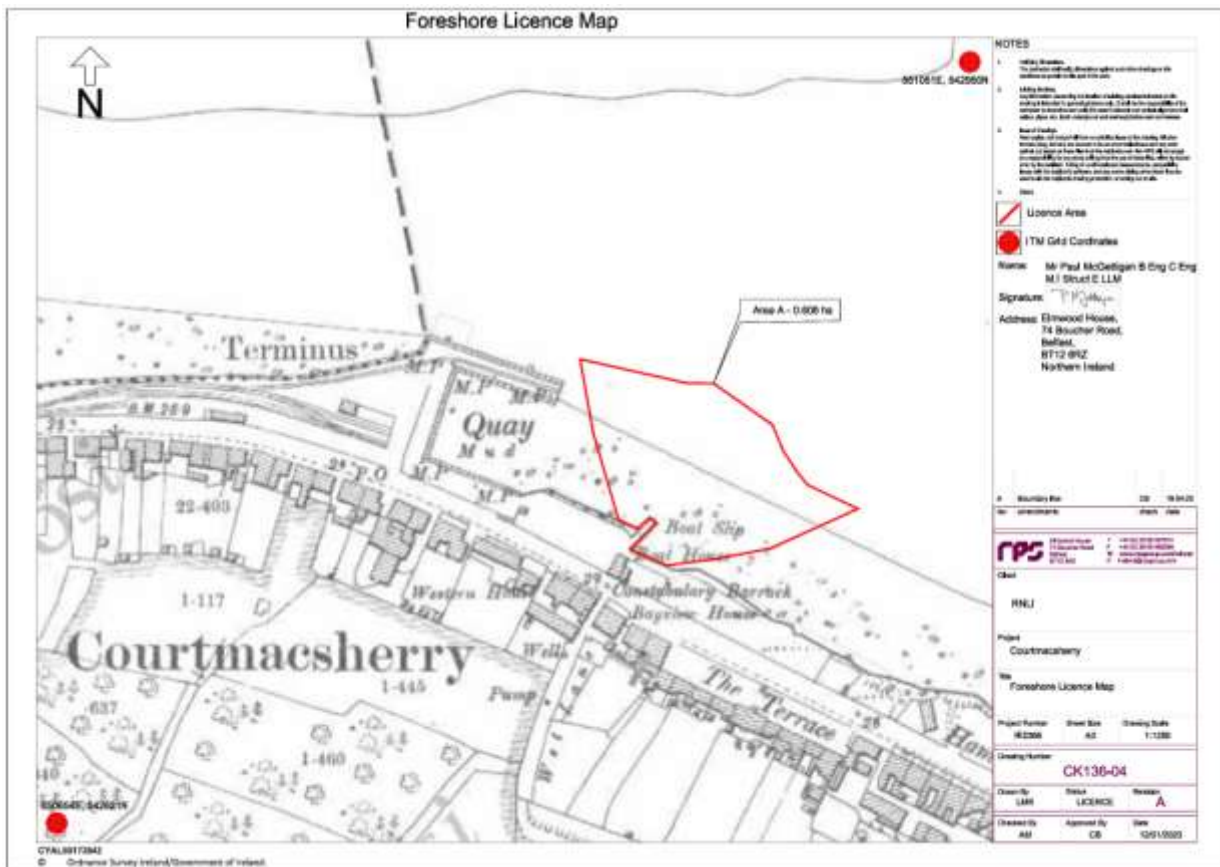
MARA considers that it requires additional information as set out below in order to determine the licence application.

- Please submit a fully completed and signed current MARA MUL1 application form. The submitted foreshore Licence application form does not satisfy the current MUL application requirements. Within this please provide requested MUL duration, proposed commencement window, whether the works will be confined to a specified season, total working days, number of mobilisations and whether repeat or contingency works may occur. [Maritime Usage Licence \(MUL\) General Application \(MUL1\)](#)
- The submitted NMPF statement is inadequate. Please provide the following in accordance with [MARA's Guidance Note for Applicants applying for a Maritime Usage Licence \(MUL\)](#):
 - An adequate assessment demonstrating consistency with the objectives of the National Marine Planning Framework (Attachment 4.1).
 - An assessment addressing consistency with the objectives of the Water Framework Directive (Attachment 4.5).

- An assessment addressing consistency with the Marine Strategy Framework Directive and Ireland's Marine Strategy (Attachment 4.6).
- The Annex IV assessment considers noise from vibrocoring only, whereas the proposed borehole investigations may include rotary coring, SPT/hammer sampling and breakthrough of existing concrete, which have different acoustic characteristics. Please confirm which techniques will be used and demonstrate that potential noise effects on Annex IV species have been separately assessed for various survey methods.
- Based on the Annex IV species risk assessment, please state whether the need for a Regulation 54 derogation licence has been considered and whether a derogation is required. This conclusion can be added to a revised Annex IV risk assessment or addendum.
- Would you please request the applicant under Section 117(3) to “confirm that the proposed MUL Area that you seek is intended to align exactly with the High Water Mark by the Chief Boundary Surveyor available for download as High Water Mark - National Water Marks - Ungeneralised – 2026 from <https://arcg.is/1zSran1>. See image below for your current proposed MUL area.”



Source: Tailte Eireann Map Genie Premium ITM mapping with Applicant's proposed MUL area in hatch.



Source: Drawing No: CK-136-04, Revision: A, Title: Foreshore Licence Map.pfd received

The requested information should be submitted to MARA (by email to licence@mara.gov.ie) within 6 weeks of the date of this notice, (by **24/09/2026**) in order for MARA to assess the licence application. Should you require an extension to this date (for good and sufficient reason), please contact us at your earliest possible opportunity.

Please refer to MARA's [Guidance Note for Applicants applying for a Maritime Usage Licence \(MUL\)](#) when providing the information requested.

If you have any queries in relation to this matter, please do not hesitate to contact the Maritime Usage Licensing Team at licence@mara.gov.ie.

Yours faithfully,
Leeanne Doyle
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