

Application for a Band 1 Marine Licence

Project description

Project name

FLOW Port Talbot Grab samples.

Please provide a brief description of the proposed project, including location.

The aim of this proposed project is to provide high level characterisation of the habitats and benthic species present within and adjacent to Port Talbot. The results of these surveys will be used to inform the baseline.

Applicant details

To whom the licence will be issued. This must be a legal entity such as an individual, registered company/ charity or public body.

Title	Mr
Full name	Paul Clement
Company or trading name	ABP Marine and Environmental Research
Company Registration Number (if applicable)	01956748
Name of contact or individual (if different)	Paul Clement
Position in company	Survey Manager
Address (provide registered company address if applicable)	Quayside Suite Medina Chambers Southampton
Postcode	SO14 2AQ
Telephone number	02380711886
Email address	paul.clement@abpmer.co.uk

Details of agent, contractor, vehicles and/or vessels used to carry out works

Agent details

This is who we will correspond with unless otherwise informed. If no agent is identified we will contact the applicant.

Title	Mrs
Full name	Emma Mungo
Company or trading name	ABP Marine and Environmental Services
Company Registration Number (if applicable)	01956748
Name of contact or individual (if different)	Emma Mungo
Position in company	Principal Marine Consultant
Address (provide registered company address if applicable)	Quayside Suite Medina Chambers Southampton
Postcode	SO14 2AQ
Telephone number	023 8144 9804
Email address	emma.mungo@abpmer.co.uk

Does the applicant wish to be included in all correspondence?

Yes

Will the works require the use of vessels?

Yes

Will the works require the use of any vehicles?

No

Proposed project details

Licensable period

Determination of applications will be based on the works taking place during these dates. Please ensure you have included an adequate contingency period. If works are not completed by the requested licence expiry date you may be required to submit a new application. Including a contingency period within your original application does not impact on the licence fee.

Start date (DD/MM/YYYY) 12/06/2023

Requested licence expiry date (DD/MM/YYYY) 12/12/2023

Please detail the location of the proposed project.

This should be either Ordnance Survey National Grid Reference (i.e. SN 12345 67890) or Latitude and Longitude in decimal degrees to 4 decimal places (i.e. Lat 52.1234 Long -4.1234), defining the extent of the project. Please specify which coordinate system has been used and if using GIS co-ordinates, specify which projection has been used.

51.5807 -3.8184
51.5779 -3.8220
51.5727 -3.8200
51.5769 -3.8178
51.5780 -3.8128
51.5743 -3.8117
51.5765 -3.8084
51.5796 -3.8075
51.5726 -3.8064
51.5771 -3.8030
51.5751 -3.8020
51.5730 -3.8024

WGS84 coordinates (decimal degrees)

Method statement

Are the works within a sensitive area or one of the following activities: boreholes, replacement piles or beach management?

No

Method statement

You can upload your method statement here or fill in the questions below.

- File: Method statement Port Talbot grab sampling_100523.pdf - [Download](#)

Please give a brief method statement outlining the proposed project

A subtidal benthic grab survey will be undertaken to characterise the benthic fauna within the footprint of the proposed development. The survey work is being undertaken on behalf of Associated British Ports, who are the Statutory Harbour Authority. The survey is planned to be undertaken over a two day period using a vessel and is currently scheduled for the week of 12th June 2023.

It is currently proposed that up to twelve stations are sampled within the proposed area. Benthic samples will be collected using a 0.1 m² Day Grab

Please see attached for further details.

Please state the measures to be taken to minimise risk to the marine environment

The sampling area is within the Port and will be undertaken with full permission and necessary notifications to undertake the survey. The survey vessel will also adhere to all navigational guidelines and regulations set by ABP as the Statutory Harbour Authority to maintain navigational safety. A risk assessment will be put in place for these works.

Please state the measures to be taken to prevent undue interference to others

The survey vessel will also adhere to all navigational guidelines and regulations set by ABP as the Statutory Harbour Authority to maintain navigational safety. A risk assessment will be placed for these works.

Please state the measures to be taken to maintain navigational safety, including marking and lighting of works

The survey vessel will also adhere to all navigational guidelines and regulations set by ABP as the Statutory Harbour Authority to maintain navigational safety. A risk assessment will be placed for these works.

Materials of the project

Description of materials to be deposited seaward of Mean High Water Springs (MHWS)
(Please tick all that apply)

Other (please provide a description of materials):
No materials will be deposited.

Delivery method of materials to site

If sea delivery, details of vessels to be used with a chart of proposed route and transshipment area is required. If delivery is by vehicle, the details about the proposed access route are required. Please indicate if you are providing details in a separate file.

No materials will be deposited.

Will the works involve removals seaward of MHWS?

Yes

Description of materials to be removed seaward of MHWS (Please tick all that apply)

Silt

Gravel

Sand

Description of objects/materials to be removed seaward of MHWS, including quantities to be removed.

Twelve grab samples will remove sea bed material, expected to be silt, gravel and sand. Expected quantity will be 0.1 m² per grab (total volume = 1.2m²).

Additional information

Please provide the following:

You must include a suitably scaled extract of an Ordnance Survey Map or Admiralty Chart with location of project complete with north arrow and scale

You must include details of correspondence with MCA, Trinity House and The Crown Estate

You must include any pre application advice/correspondence with NRW

Correspondence with RCAHMMW (B1 removals only)

Please upload these below

- File: Method statement Port Talbot grab sampling_100523.pdf - [Download](#)
- File: Correspondence emails TrinityHouse, MCA, RCAHMMW.docx - [Download](#)
- File: Correspondence with NRW.docx - [Download](#)

Please list below all supporting documents that have been submitted with this application.

Please see attached method statement which sets out the locations of grab samples.

Please also see a Word document which provides the emails from MCA, Trinity House and RCAHMMW. We have searched and confirmed that Crown Estate consent is not required for this survey.

We have also attached the correspondence from Maria in relation to the previous application. We have now addressed these errors.

Statutory powers

Does the applicant have statutory powers to consent any aspect of the project? e.g. coast protection authority, dredging powers, statutory undertakers

No

Public register

Is there any information contained within or provided in support of this application that you consider should NOT be included on the Public Register on the grounds that its disclosure:

	Yes	No
Would be contrary to the interest of National Security?		X
Would prejudice to an unreasonable degree you, or some other person's commercial interest or those of a third party?		X

Application fee

Please provide the method of payment

World pay (please contact the Permit Receipt Centre)

Declaration

I declare that to the best of my knowledge and belief that the information given in this application form and supporting documentation is true.

WARNING: It is an offence under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, under which this application is made, to fail to disclose information or to provide false or misleading information. This could invalidate any licence granted.

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Date	10/05/23
Position in company	Principal Marine Consultant

If you would like a copy of your completed form, please add your preferred email address below:

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