

Marine Licensing Variation Decision

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

**Applicant: Pembrokeshire Coast National Park
Authority**

Application reference no: CML2169v1

Carew Mill

Carew Mill and Causeway Repairs

21 June 2023

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OUR DECISION

Based on all the information available, and having regard to all relevant considerations NRW has decided to grant the transfer of the marine licence and variation to the Existing Marine Licence (see Annex 2) sought by the Variation Application.

This decision document:

- explains how the Variation Application has been determined, having regard to the relevant legal framework outlined in section 4;
- explains how relevant considerations have been taken into account and how each of the legal requirements have been considered in determining the Variation Application;
- provides a record of the decision-making process; and
- sets out the reasons for any conditions imposed in connection with any marine licence granted pursuant to the Variation Application.

1 APPLICATION DETAILS

1.1 The Variation Application

Applicant name and address	The Applicant for the Variation to Transfer is the organisation set out below: Organisation name: Natural Resources Wales Address: Cambria House, 29 Newport Road, Cardiff CF24 0TP The Applicant for the Variation to Extend is the organisation set out below: Organisation name: Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority Address: Llanion Park, Pembroke Dock, Pembrokeshire, SA72 6DY
Variation Application reference number	CML2169v1
Existing Marine Licence reference number	CML2169
Date Variation to Transfer Application was duly made	19 June 2023
Date Variation to Extend Application was duly made	20 June 2023
Description of Variation to Transfer	Marine Licence has been transferred from Natural Resources Wales to Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.
Description of Variation to Extend	Marine Licence has been varied to extend the end date from 26 June 2023 to 26 June 2024.
Proposal[s] covered by the Variation Applications	Carew Mill and Causeway Repairs (the Project)
Licensable marine activities	• The walls (3-4m height) will be cleaned by hand so that the joints in the masonry can be inspected and any voids identified for infilling

	• Voids identified during inspection will be hand repaired with like for like lime-mortar material. If required, larger voids will be infilled by low pressure grouting • Existing holes to the cope of the walls (above MHWS) will have small cast iron (150mm size) flap valves affixed the walls • Holes of 35mm will be drilled into the existing masonry to reach the voids in the wall. Tubes will be placed into the drilled holes and grout pumped under moderate pressure to infill the voids in the wall • Grouting of the mill sluices channels • Repairs internal to the Mill House – grouting of walls/sluice channels, repairs to timber stoplogs • Concrete repairs to auxiliary channel (the Proposed Activities)
Marine Plan area	Welsh inshore region and Welsh offshore region
Application documents:	CML2169-V01 - Application to vary marine licence CML2169v1 Transfer of Licence – Application Form Signed CAREW

2 VARIATION APPLICATION PROCEDURE

2.1 The Variation Application

The Transfer of a Licence was accepted by Natural Resources Wales (NRW) considered duly made on 19 June 2023. The Variation Application was accepted by Natural Resources Wales (**NRW**) considered duly made on 20 June 2023. This means we considered it was in the correct form and contained sufficient information for us to begin our determination, but not that it necessarily contained all the information we needed to complete that determination, and the documents considered may therefore include documents provided after the Variation and Transfer Application was first made.

2.2 Documents considered

In reaching its decision, NRW has considered the documents listed in section 1 of this decision document along with such other information provided by the Applicant or received during any consultation, that NRW considered relevant.

2.3 Commercial Confidentiality

The Applicant made no claim that any information forming part of the Variation Application was subject to commercial confidentiality and we have not received any information in relation to the Variation Application that appears to be commercially confidential.

2.4 Publicity and advertising

Due to the minor change to the licence which extends the ongoing activity for a relatively short period of time, no notice was given to Local Authorities and no Public Notice was advertised for this Marine Licence variation.

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2.5 Environmental Impact Assessment

Council Directive 2011/92/EU (as amended) on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment aims to protect the environment and the quality of life by ensuring that projects which are likely to have significant environmental effects by virtue of their nature, size or location are subject to an environmental impact assessment (EIA) before permission is granted.

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 ("the Regulations") transpose the EIA Directive in Wales and England for marine licence applications.

Having considered the Variation Applications NRW has determined that it does not constitute a development requiring EIA under the Regulations.

3 CONSULTATION

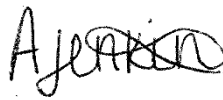
3.1 Consultees

Due to the minor nature of the change to the licence and that no additional impacts are expected above that which were considering during the determination of CML2169v1, NRW did not consider it appropriate to reconsult on this occasion.

4 Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on all the information available, NRW's decision is to grant the Transfer application from NRW to Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority sought by the transfer application. NRW's decision is to grant the variation to the Existing Marine Licence sought by the Variation Application. The variation is an administrative change to the licence end date and as such we refer to section 4 of the decision document for CML2169 regarding the relevant legal framework and how each of the legal requirements have been considered. NRW has determined that a Marine Licence for the Proposed Activities should be granted.

AUTHORISATION

Report by: Abbie Jenkins Position: Permitting Officer	Date: 20 June 2023	Signed: 
Authorised by: Emmer Litt Position: Marine Licensing Team Leader	Date: 20 June 2023	Signed: 

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ANNEX 1 – Changes to Marine Licence

- Transfer of Marine Licence applicant from Natural Resources Wales to Pembrokeshire Coast National Park Authority.
- Licence end date has been changed in Section 1.3 of the Marine Licence from 26 June 2023 detailed in CML2169 to 26 June 2024 in CML2169v1.