

NRW Guidance on pre-application discussions

Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

From: Thomas, Anne <Anne.Thomas@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>

Sent: 12 July 2022 08:00

To: Rob Thallon <rob.thallon@robertnicholas.com>

Subject: RE: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Good morning Robert,

Thank you for your email. I can confirm that a Flood Risk Activity Permit will be required for the works on the 'riverside' of the main river. The flood risk activities you describe would fall into the following categories;

- a) Erecting any structure (whether temporary or permanent) in, over or under a main river.
- b) Erecting or altering any structure (whether temporary or permanent) designed to contain or divert the floodwaters of any part of a main river.
- & d) Any dredging, raising or taking of any sand, silt, ballast, clay, gravel or other materials from or off the bed or banks of a main river (or causing such materials to be dredged, raised or taken), including hydrodynamic dredging and desilting.

All applications for Flood Risk Activity Permits need to be completed online, link here - [Natural Resources Wales / Apply for a new bespoke permit for flood risk activities](#)

Please include the following information with your application:

- Location plan showing the general area of works;
- Site specific plan showing the location of the works;
- Method statement; please detail exactly how you propose to carry out the works, machinery and materials you will use, and any consideration that will be given to prevent damage or pollution entering the river;
- Please could all documents/plans have a unique ref. number as they may be directly referenced on the permit document;
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It can take up to two months to determine a permit once we receive a completed application and all the required documents, however we endeavour to determine sooner. Once all the required documents are received plus payment (my colleague will confirm payment details), the application is then sent out for 'formal' internal consultation within NRW. Once this two week consultation period is complete, we may require further information in order to determine the permit, or we may be able to proceed straight to determination. I will keep you updated at each stage of the process.

It is quite likely that a Habitats Regulation Assessment will be required for these works, and possibly a Water Framework Directive assessment. I will contact the relevant internal teams and seek guidance on this.

Additional advice and guidance on FRAPs can be found on our website here - [Natural Resources Wales / Environmental permits for flood risk activities](#)

If you have any further queries or would like to discuss any of the above please feel free to get in touch.

Kind regards

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From: Rob Thallon <rob.thallon@robertnicholas.com>

Sent: 08 July 2022 14:48

To: Thomas, Anne <Anne.Thomas@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>

Cc: Liliana Udrea <Liliana.Udrea@robertnicholas.com>; Robert Smallshaw <robert.smallshaw@robertnicholas.com>

Subject: RE: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Good afternoon, Anne,

I am just picking up on an email thread from my colleague Liliana Udrea regarding works at RAF Pembrey outlined in the email chain below.

As suggested, we have consulted with the MMO and they have advised that a Band 1 Marine Licence is required for the survey (see attached emails).

Can you confirm if a FRAP is required too? For sake of clarity, we will be isolating the riverside of the flap valve and maintaining the outfall of flow to the tidal estuary using pumping equipment while the survey and subsequent works are undertaken.

Please let me know if you have any questions.

Best,

Robert Thallon

Managing Director

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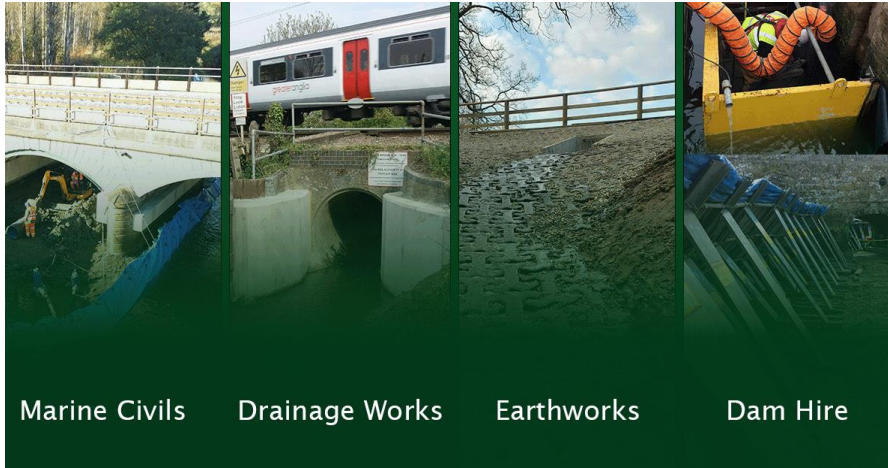
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From: Liliana Udrea <Liliana.Udrea@robertnicholas.com>

Sent: 22 June 2022 16:50

To: Rob Thallon <rob.thallon@robertnicholas.com>; Robert Smallshaw <robert.smallshaw@robertnicholas.com>

Subject: FW: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Hello,

Please see below.

Kind Regards,

Liliana Udrea MEng (Hons)
Estimator

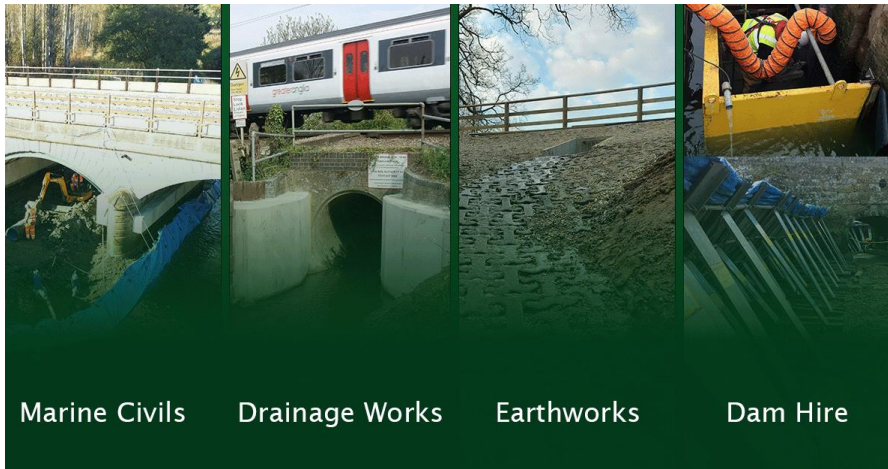
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From: Thomas, Anne <Anne.Thomas@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>

Sent: 22 June 2022 16:49

To: Liliana Udrea <Liliana.Udrea@robertnicholas.com>

Subject: RE: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Good afternoon Liliana,

I have contacted our Marine Licencing Team to try and arrange a joint meeting but they have stipulated that they charge for their time, £120 per hour. The DFR team offer 1hour pre-app consultation for free. If necessary I suggest we hold a Teams meeting independently and you liaise directly with them.

With proposed works that are in or close to tidal areas we usually suggest that the customer contacts the marine licencing team initially to establish if a marine licence is required. Quite often if a Marine Licence is required then a Flood Risk Activity Permit (FRAP) is not, however, as works are required on both sides of the outfall I think both may be required. But I still think it is worth establishing marine licence requirements first, and then we can confirm if a FRAP is needed.

Please contact the Marine Licencing Team directly at marinelicensing@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk

Kind regards

Anne

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From: Liliana Udrea <Liliana.Udrea@robertnicholas.com>

Sent: 13 June 2022 10:41

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Subject: RE: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Good morning Anne,


Thank you for your help with our application.

A Teams call would be great, kindly advise a suitable date and time.

Kind Regards,

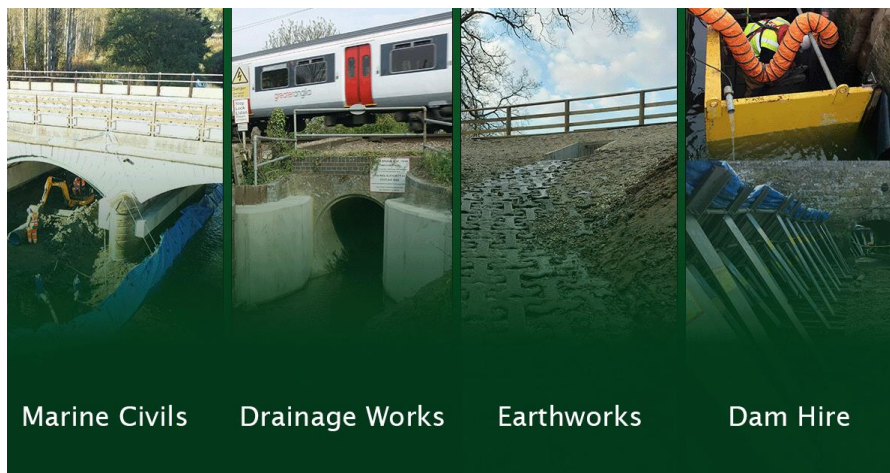
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From: Thomas, Anne <Anne.Thomas@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>
Sent: 09 June 2022 12:00
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Cc: Marine Licensing <marinelicensing@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>
Subject: Facility RAF Pembrey, ref WPCC11946 NRW:00893519

Good morning Liliana,

Thank you for your recent request for information about works to a tidal flap at RAF Pembrey. I am the DFR Advisor for Carmarthenshire and I will assist you with any required flood risk activity permits. As you may be aware, a marine licence may also be required. I haven't time to look into your enquiry at the moment but I will early next week. I shall get back in touch once I have, and perhaps we can arrange a phone call or Teams at your earliest convenience, possibly with a Marine Team colleague too.

Kind regards

Anne Thomas MCIWEM & BSc

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