

Apply to discharge condition(s) and/or monitoring approvals required by your marine licence

Who is completing this form?

Indicate who is completing this form

Licence holder

Your project

What is the name of your project?

Rhymney Great Wharf Habitat Restoration Polders Enhancement Project

Give us your marine licence reference number (this can be found on the front of your marine licence):

CML2401

Licence holder details

Please complete the licence holder details

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Last name: Jenkins
Position in company: Project Manager
Company or trading name: Natural Resources Wales
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Agent details:

Does the licence holder wish to be included in all correspondence?

Yes

List the condition(s) of your marine licence

List the condition(s) of your marine licence that you are looking to discharge, including any monitoring reports. Please include the condition number and condition text.

3.18 Implementation of Schemes/Plans

The Licence Holder must implement any actions outlined in the following Schemes/Plans and detailed in section 2.3 as approved by the Licensing Authority:

- Environmental Action Plan (EAP): CML2401 Appendix G 290063-ARP-00-RP-RP-NX-0010 - EAP P04 submitted the 02 February 2024.
- Outline Construction Method Statement: CML2401 - Appendix C- Outline Construction Method Statement submitted the 03 January 2024.
- Biosecurity Plan: CML2401 - Appendix I- Biosecurity Plan submitted the 03 January 2024
- Project Environmental Report: CML2401 290063-ARP-00-RP-RP-NX-0009 - P03 - Project Environmental Reportv2 submitted the 21 March 2024
- Preliminary Ecological Appraisal: CML2401 290063-ARP-00-RP-RP-NX-0006 - PEA_Ver1 submitted the 21 March 2024

Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the approved Schemes/Plans must be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

Please provide a description of your request e.g. Construction Environment Management Plan submitted for approval prior to commencement of works/ submission of annual monitoring report for approval

Request 1:

The Environmental Action Plan (EAP) submitted (in section B4 & B6) states that 'Access corridors should not exceed a 5m zone either side of the proposed polder fence locations. Where possible access will only be made on one side of the proposed polder fence to minimise impact'.

It is becoming increasingly difficult to maintain the 5m width on site as softer areas of ground are causing machinery to create deeper tracks and get stuck. We are proposing this width is increased to a 10m zone with the intention to limit wherever possible. If we're unable to alter this access width it may not be possible to complete the works.

Can you confirm if a change to 10m width is acceptable?

Please note a response to request 1 is our current priority.

Request 2:

Please can you confirm that site works can continue into October?

The Marine License states that the PER, EAP and HRA should be complied with. The PER EAP and HRA state that works are planned to avoid the overwintering bird season, stating the season to be October to March inclusive. A conflicting statement in the HRA states that actually installation is likely in October, however as it is not 100% clear. Please see below extracts.

Project environmental report (PER):

'Polder installation is programmed during the summer months (June to August inclusive) to avoid the overwintering bird season (October to March inclusive).

Influencing the construction period to ensure that construction does not coincide with overwintering bird season.'

EAP

'Construction is planned to take place over the summer of 2024, to avoid the wintering bird season.

A Habitat Regulations Assessment (stage 1 and 2) has been produced.

Compliance with the HRA Screening Assessment and Appropriate Assessment should be implemented.'

HRA:

'Polder installation is programmed during the summer months (June to August inclusive) to avoid the overwintering bird season (October to March inclusive).

As such, sensitive programming of the works avoids effects on the overwintering bird populations.

Consequently, there are no effects on the overwintering bird populations.'

'However, installation is likely to occur during the breeding bird season (March to June inclusive) and the autumn passage period (August to October inclusive).'

It's worth noting that there are currently weekly birds checks taking place on site (Item B7 of the EAP). In addition to this, works do not commence within the marine environment 1 hour either side of high tide. Works are currently programmed to complete in September but delays may push completion into October.

List all supporting information submitted for this request

No supporting information submitted. We are seeking written approval for the above requests and have not updated all associated documents which are currently on the public register. These changes are expected to have minimal effect on the environmental impacts as currently assessed.

Upload your supporting information

- File: NA.docx - [Download](#)

Public Register

We will normally put all the information in your submission on a public register unless NRW approve of the reasons for withholding all or part.

Do you consider any of the information provided should not be placed on the public register for reasons of being commercially sensitive or in the interest of National Security?

No

Application fee

Does your submission contain monitoring related work? This could include looking to get approval for monitoring specification prior to commencement of monitoring work, or submission of monitoring reports for approval. All requests including monitoring work packages will be charged at an hourly rate and invoiced in arrears.

No

Application fee part 2

Is your application related to a band 3 licence?

If you are unsure please review you application form or contact the Marine Licensing Team at marinelicensing@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk – for all band 3 licences you will be charged at an hourly rate and invoiced in arrears.

No

Payment for band 2 discharges of band 2 marine licences

There is a one-off fixed fee of £480 to discharge all conditions on the marine licence. This is Payable upfront on the submission of the first condition to be discharged.

Have you previously submitted payment?

Yes

If 'Yes', please provide date of payment or confirmation what condition this related to

N/A NRW permission and fee exempt

Declaration by licence holder

Applications cannot be processed unless signed by the licence holder (not agent), the applicant must have appropriate level of authority within the company. Applications will not be processed unless signed.

Complete declaration name and date

First name: David
Last name: Jenkins
Position in company: Natural Resources Wales
Date (DD/MM/YYYY): 28/08/2024

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, to fail to disclose information or to provide false or misleading information.

Yes

Submit your application

Enter the email address you'd like a copy of your application sent to:

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