

## **NRW communications Chronology**

### **Initial comms with NRW on 18<sup>th</sup> October**

*Good afternoon*

*Pwllheli harbour works at Gimlet Point*

*I am working with a client in Pwllheli, just at the mouth of the Afon Erch, as shown in the yellow ellipse on plan attached*

*My client is looking to improve / extend some slipways that are existing and also a floating pontoon. The area already has pontoons and boat mooring.*

*In the first instance I was wondering if a marine licence is required, or a FRAP in this instance. I note that the SAC, Pen Llyn a'r Sarnau, seems to end at the mouth of the estuary, but assume as the works will be very close some form of impact assessment may be required ?*

*Would it be possible to have a call, or some advice please. I am attending site on the 11<sup>th</sup> November, and I am not sure if you have local case officers that would be able to meet and provide advice on the ground , or at a later date once we have furnished you with a few more details.*

*Looking forward to your response, im available anytime on 07979720885*

*Diolch*

*Kind Regards*

*Mark*

### **NRW response on 18<sup>th</sup> October**

*Good afternoon,*

*A Marine Licence will be required if you intend to carry out any construction, deposit or removal activities taking place below Mean High Water Springs.*

*Whether your activity takes place seaward of MHWS is for you to determine, however we do have some guidance on our website [Natural Resources Wales / Activities that need a marine licence](#)*

*From what you have described it sounds as though you may require a Marine Licence for the works should they be seaward of MHWS, however what band of licence you will need depends on the scale, methods and location of the works. You can look into this further online here:*

*<https://naturalresources.wales/permits-and-permissions/marine-licensing/applying-for-a-marine-licence/?lang=en> Although most likely you will require a Band 2.*

*We do not conduct site visits. If you wish to have bespoke pre-application advice regarding your project, we can arrange this for you. Pre-application advice is charged at £120/hour.*

*I advise that you take a look at the links provided and come back to us with some more detail on your methods, scale, timing of the works, cost of the works etc. for us to advise you further.*

*Regards*

*Swyddog Trwyddedu Morol / Marine Licensing Officer*

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Confirmation from NRW that FRAP not needed if we have MMO licence

Good morning

For completeness and with respect to [Flood Risk Activity Permit](#) requirements. The Regulations state that if an application for a marine licence has been made in respect of that activity, then it is excluded from requiring a permit or registering for an exemption.

Regards

**Iwan Huws**

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21<sup>st</sup> October – confirmation of a unique reference number

Your query has been given the number Q24141, please refer to this number when communicating with us on this matter.

Regards,

Maria

10<sup>th</sup> December – a final response from NRW, after a phone call to explain the works

Good afternoon

Having reviewed the information you've provided, this project is likely to require a Band 2 marine licence, not a Band 1 marine licence. In order to be classified as a Band 1 marine licence, the activity must be included in the eligible activity list which can be found here: [Natural Resources Wales / Marine licensing low risk activities \(band 1\)](#)

The proposed project would consist of the deposit of a floating pontoon as well as the construction of a new concrete slipway, neither of which fall within this list. Band 1 deposits are generally in relation to demarcation and Band 1 construction activities are very minor in nature such as the replacement of a tidal valve or decking, or maintenance related. They don't extend to the construction of a new structure.

Band 2 licences are charged at £1920 and have a service level agreement of 4 months from the date of receiving a completed application. Further information can be found here: [Natural Resources Wales / Applying for a marine licence](#)

If there's still anything you're unsure of, and would like a call to discuss, this can be arranged, but please note that this would be considered pre-application advice and would be charged at £120/hour.

Kind regards,

Jack

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Also on 10<sup>th</sup> December, confirmation that FRAP licence is not required

Good afternoon

*Further to the response below from my Marine Licensing colleagues. Please be advised that according to the Flood Risk Activity Permit requirements, if an application has been made for a ML, then it is deemed to be an excluded activity under FRAPS. Further details available at [Natural Resources Wales / Flood risk activity exclusions](#).*

*Therefore, please continue with an application for a ML.*

Regards

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