

Pre - engagement with other organisations (Maritime + Coastguard Agency)

Cheryl Reynolds

Subject: FW: Llandudno Town Council - Advice re application for a Band 1 Marine License for a Fireworks Display

From: Cheryl Reynolds
Sent: Friday, February 9, 2024 9:49 AM
To: navigation safety <navigationsafety@mcga.gov.uk>
Cc: Llandudno TC <towncouncil@llandudno.gov.uk>; Judith Sharp <judith.sharp@conwy.gov.uk>
Subject: Llandudno Town Council - Advice re application for a Band 1 Marine License for a Fireworks Display

Dear Jo,

Regarding Llandudno Town Council's application for a Band 1 Marine License for a Fireworks Display, thank you for informing us that the MCA would have no significant concerns to raise with regards to the safety of navigation and would be satisfied that the risk is relatively low on this occasion.

Llandudno Town Council can confirm that we accept the risk mitigations stated in the e-mail below.

Kind regards, Cheryl

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From: navigation safety <navigationsafety@mcga.gov.uk>
Sent: Monday, February 5, 2024 10:24 AM
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Cc: Llandudno TC <towncouncil@llandudno.gov.uk>
Subject: RE: Llandudno Town Council - Advice re application for a Band 1 Marine License for a Fireworks Display

Dear Cheryl,

Thank you for the information regarding the proposed Band 1 license for a public firework display in Llandudno.

We note that the works comprise a designated and cordoned area of the beach, where the display will be fired from a 40ft flat-bed trailer pulled by tractor during low tide and on an evening in late October/early November 2024, for a couple of hours to allow set up and for the 20 minute display to take place.

On the understanding that the following takes place, the MCA would have no significant concerns to raise with regards to the safety of navigation and would be satisfied that the risk is relatively low on this occasion:

1. All maritime safety legislation is complied with;

2. Local notification is issued to marine users, including fishermen's organisations, relevant authorities and other local stakeholders, to ensure that they are made fully aware of the activity at least five days before commencement of the works;
3. Zone31@hmcg.gov.uk must be notified prior to commencement of activities.
4. A notification must be sent to The Source Data Receipt team, UK Hydrographic Office (email: sdr@ukho.gov.uk) of commencement of the licensed activities, at least 10 days before commencement of the works. The information supplied must include the start date and end date, a description of the works, positions of the work area (WGS84), and details of any marking arrangements.
5. If using machinery land side in the intertidal area at low tide, ensure suitable bunding and/or storage facilities are installed to contain and prevent the release of fuel, oils, and chemicals associated with plant, refuelling and equipment, into the marine environment.

Please can you confirm that you accept the above risk mitigations?

Kind regards,

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From: Cheryl Reynolds <assistant@llandudno.gov.uk>

Sent: Monday, January 29, 2024 2:08 PM

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Subject: Llandudno Town Council - Advice re application for a Band 1 Marine License for a Fireworks Display

Dear Maritime and Coastguard Agency,

I am writing on behalf of Llandudno Town Council to request assistance regarding an application for a Band 1 marine licence to hold the town's annual Fireworks Display located on Llandudno's North Shore beach. The date of the display is yet to be confirmed, but will be an approx 20 minute display on an evening in late October/early November 2024.

The current licence we have, Licence No: EXML1910, is expiring on 21/07/24 which was a five year licence for the same location, however going forward we will be applying for just a one year licence.

Prior to application, it is necessary for the Town Council to receive confirmation from yourselves on whether the Fireworks display is likely to have an impact on the safety of others at sea.

The set up of the public fireworks display will be at Lat 53.3262 / Long -3.8273 , Easting 178394 / Northing 382593, and will consist of using tractors to position three 40 foot flat bed lorry trailers on the beach (as illustrated on the attached map) between 90m - 120m away from the promenade, as near as possible to low tide and at least one hour prior to the

display to complete set up. The display is timed for approximately 20 minutes. Assessments of tides and safe operating times are undertaken for each display. Fireworks will be set on the trailers by a professional fireworks contractor, using metal appropriate infrastructure and racks. The contractor is vetted and risk assessed by Llandudno Town Council and its partners, and necessary insurance, Risk Assessments and Method Statements are provided by the contractor. After the display, the beach will be litter picked for any parts of fireworks that may have fallen. Conwy County Borough Council provides personnel and a suitable waste disposal truck to assist the display and beach operation/manoeuvres and the trailers will be removed by the tractor. There is no activity directly on the beach/sea bed or the sea other than the tractor and trailers and the setting out of cones by Conwy CBC to mark safety zones. The firing area is covered by Conwy CBC and professional security personnel for the duration of the display.

Contact will also be made with Holyhead Coastguard notifying them that the display is about to start and also when it has ended.

The event has been held under a marine licence for the last seven years with no incident or environmental impact. The event has due regard to sites and maps of beach maritime heritage and archaeology.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm whether the Fireworks display is likely to have an impact on the safety of others at sea.

I look forward to your response and please come back to me if you require any further details.

Many thanks and kind regards, Cheryl

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