

## **Marine Licence with introductory note**

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

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Licence Holder:

**M Group Transport (Rail & Aviation)  
Limited**

Company Number:

01450372

Abel Smith House, Gunnels Wood Road,  
Stevenage, Hertfordshire, England, SG1  
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**Afon Wen Reactive Remedial Works**

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### **Introductory note**

#### **This introductory note does not form a part of the marine licence**

The main features of the marine licence are as follows.

*Damage has been sustained to the lower sheet pile revetment at Afon Wen. The failure currently affects roughly a 40m of the sea defence, but the working area may extend up to 60m to ensure a secure repair. Works are planned to fill the void spaces with pumped concrete post to reinstating the piles using a piling hammer positioned on the beach. The proposal is to then install rock armour in front of the piles to protect them from wave attack and limit movement in future.*

The status log of the marine licence sets out the marine licence history, including any subsequent marine licence variation(s)

<b>Status log of this marine licence</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Application	02 October 2025	Application received and considered to be duly made
Date licence determined	24 December 2025	Determination date

#### **Related marine licences or applications under determination**

*Not applicable*

End of introductory note.

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## MARINE LICENCE, NUMBER CML2555

### 1 LICENCE DETAILS

#### 1.1 Marine Licence

This is a licence granted by the Licensing Authority in respect of an application numbered **CML2555** and duly made on **02 October 2025** and authorises the Licence Holder to carry out activities for which a licence is required under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, (2009 Act). This licence should be interpreted in accordance with **Section 4**.

#### 1.2 Licence Holder

The Licence Holder is the company set out below:

Company: **M Group Transport (Rail & Aviation) Limited**  
Company Number: **01450372**  
Address: **Abel Smith House, Gunnels Wood Road,  
Stevenage, Hertfordshire, England, SG1 2ST**

#### 1.1 Licence Validity

<b>Licence Start Date</b>	<b>24 December 2025</b>
<b>Licence End Date</b>	<b>23 December 2026</b>
<b>Licence Issue Date</b>	<b>24 December 2025</b>

#### 1.2 Conditions

This licence is subject to the conditions set out in **Section 3**.

Signed:



**Dr. Emmer Litt – Marine Licensing Team Leader**

For and on behalf of the Licensing Authority

## 2 LICENSED ACTIVITIES

### 2.1 Project

#### Afon Wen Reactive Remedial Works

The following Licensed Activities can be conducted within the Licence Period, within the Licensed Area and in accordance with the Approved Application and the Approved Supporting Documents:

**Table 1 Licensed Activities**

<b>Activity 1 Repair of Sea Defence Wall at Afon Wen</b>	
Type of Licensed Activity	Alteration or Improvement
Description	Works will consist of: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Removal of existing sheet piles,</li> <li>• Installation of new sheet piles,</li> <li>• Concrete backfill were required,</li> <li>• Grout injection into known voids through existing apron,</li> <li>• Placement of rock armour scour protection.</li> </ul>
Material types to be removed or deposited	Steel, Concrete, Rock
Dimensions	The length of sea defence to be repaired will be no longer than 60m

### 2.2 Licensed Area

The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the activities described in Table 1 in the vicinity of Afon Wen bounded by the coordinates specified in Table 2 and as indicated in the plan attached at Appendix 1:

**Table 2 Coordinates**

<b>Latitude</b>	<b>Longitude</b>
52.908831	-4.3162912
52.908517	-4.3160981
52.908553	-4.3150574
52.908941	-4.3109858
52.909361	-4.3083036
52.909782	-4.3083090
52.909510	-4.3108088
52.909041	-4.3142796

In the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates set out above and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

**2.3 Approved Supporting Documents**

<b>Title/Description of Document</b>	<b>Date Submitted</b>
CML2555 - marine-works-application-form-updated - DJP Afon Wen (0664B)	18 September 2025
CML2555 - DJP - Afon Wen (0664B) - WFD-001 - 2025	18 September 2025
CML2555 - DJP - Afon Wen (0664B) - OS Map Copy	18 September 2025
CML2555 - Appendix A - DJP Afon Wen (0664B) - Biosecurity Management Plan & Risk Assessment - 2025	18 September 2025
CML2555 - Afon Wen (0664B) - WNMP Signposting Document_Completed	18 September 2025
CML2555 - Afon Wen - AA - HRA - Afon Wen (0664B) - 2025	18 September 2025
CML2555 MGR - Afon Wen methodology	01 October 2025
CML2555 25912C-CWA-WLS-057-DRG-C-0002-A01 Drawing	01 October 2025
CML2555 25912C-CWA-WLS-057-DRG-C-0001-A01Works Drawing	01 October 2025
CML2555 DJP - Afon Wen (0664B) - Works Location and Access	01 October 2025
CML2555 DJP - Afon Wen (0664B) - OS Map v2	01 October 2025
CML2555 Afon Wen - AA - HRA - Afon Wen (0664B) - 2025 v2	01 October 2025
CML2555 25912C-CWA-WLS-057-DRG-C-0001-A03 v1	18 December 2025
CML2555 25912C-CWA-WLS-057-DRG-C-0002-A03 v1	18 December 2025

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### **3 CONDITIONS**

#### **Notification and Inspection**

##### **3.1 Notification of Commencement**

- 3.1.1** The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.2** The Licence Holder must notify Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.3** The Licence Holder must ensure that local mariners and fishermen's organisations are made fully aware of the Licensed Activities through local notices to mariners **10 days** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### **3.2 Notification of Vessels and/or Vehicles**

The Licence Holder must ensure that the details of the vessels and/or vehicles utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority and Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) at least **24 hours** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### **3.3 Notification of Agents/Contractors/Sub-contractors**

The Licence Holder must ensure that details of any agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority at least **24 hours** prior to the commencement of Licensed Activities.

##### **3.4 Notification of HM Coastguard**

The Licence Holder must ensure that HM Coastguard is made aware of the Licensed Activities at least **24 hours** prior to commencement by contacting The National Maritime Operations Centre at **zone30@hmcg.gov.uk**.

##### **3.5 Inspection of Licensed Activities**

The Licence Holder must allow Marine Enforcement Officers or any other person authorised by the Licensing Authority to inspect the Works at any reasonable time.

##### **3.6 Notification of Completion**

- 3.6.1** The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.
- 3.6.2** The Licence Holder must notify Welsh Government Marine & Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement Branch) within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.

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### **3.7 Accident or Emergency**

**3.7.1** If, by reason of force majeure any substances or articles are deposited otherwise than as permitted as part of the Licensed Activities or in the Licensed Area full details of the circumstances shall be notified to the Licensing Authority within **48 hours** of the incident occurring.

**3.7.2** If it is necessary for the Licence Holder to recover or remove any equipment, plant or machinery used to undertake the Licensed Activities that have been dropped as a result of an accident or emergency, the Licence Holder is permitted to do so provided that the methodology for such recovery or removal has been approved by the Licensing Authority.

### **3.8 Distribution of Copies of this Licence**

The Licence Holder is required to ensure that a copy of this Licence is given to:

- All agent(s), contractor(s) and sub-contractor(s) whose names have been provided to the Licensing Authority under condition 3.3 and
- The Masters of any vessels and transport managers responsible for the vehicles employed in accordance with this Licence whose details have been submitted to the Licensing Authority under condition 3.2.

### **3.9 Inspection of Documents**

Copies of this Licence shall be made available at the following locations:

- at the address of the Licence Holder specified in section 1.2;
- at any site office, located at or adjacent to the Licensed Area, used by the Licence Holder or its agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) responsible for the loading transportation or deposit of any substances or articles permitted as part of the Licensed Activities;
- on board each vessel or vehicle carrying out Licensed Activities.

The documents referred to in this Condition shall be available at all reasonable times for inspection by officers appropriately authorised by the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers at the locations stated in that paragraph.

### **Vessels, Plant and Equipment**

#### **3.10 Notified Contractors, Vessels and/or Vehicles only to Carry out Licensed Activities**

Only those agent(s), contractor(s), sub-contractor(s), vessels and/or vehicles whose details have been notified to the Licensing Authority may operate under the terms of this Licence. Any changes must be notified to and be approved by the Licensing Authority in writing prior to any such agent, contractor, subcontractors or vehicles carrying out any Licensed Activities pursuant to or otherwise operating under this Licence.

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### **3.11 Refuelling of Plant and Equipment**

The Licence Holder must ensure that plant, vehicles and machinery are not refuelled on the foreshore or in the sea.

### **3.12 Equipment, Structures and Access**

The Licence Holder must ensure that all equipment, temporary structures, access tracks, waste and/or debris associated with the Licensed Activities are removed on completion of the Licensed activities.

## **Safety**

### **3.13 Removal of Deposited Material**

If the Licensing Authority considers it necessary or advisable for the safety of navigation, the Licence Holder must remove any deposit specified by the Licensing Authority or Marine Enforcement Officers within one month of notice being given by the Licensing Authority, and shall not replace such material until the Licensing Authority has given its written approval.

## **Pollution control**

### **3.14 Pollution Prevention**

The Licence Holder must ensure that pollution prevention best practice is adhered to at all times. Any incidents must be reported to the Licensing Authority as soon as possible using the hotline number **0300 065 3000**.

### **3.15 Spillage of Pollutants**

The Licence Holder must employ bunding, storage facilities and spill kits to contain and prevent the release of fuel, oils and chemicals associated with the plant, refuelling and construction equipment into the marine environment. Secondary containment must be used with a capacity of **no less than 110%** of the container's storage capacity

### **3.16 Prevention of Disposal of Man-made Debris**

The Licence Holder must ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent the disposal of man-made debris to the marine environment. Such material must be removed immediately and be disposed of appropriately. If it is not possible to prevent manmade debris from entering the marine environment during the Licensed Activities, the Licensed Activities must cease immediately.

### **3.17 Cleanliness of Equipment**

The Licence Holder must ensure that equipment, machinery and PPE are washed with freshwater and/or thoroughly airdried before deployment and before moving between locations.

## **Activity-specific Conditions**

### **3.18 Notification of UKHO - Commencement**

The Licence Holder must ensure that notification is sent to The Source Data Receipt team, UK Hydrographic Office (email: [sdr@ukho.gov.uk](mailto:sdr@ukho.gov.uk)) at least **10 days** prior to 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.

### **3.19 Notification of UKHO - Completion**

The Licence Holder must notify the UK Hydrographic Office of the Licensed Area and the Licensed Activities within **10 days** of the completion of the Licensed Activities.

### **3.20 Use of Render and Concrete**

The Licence Holder must ensure that no waste concrete slurry or wash water from the use of concrete or cement are discharged into the marine environment. Concrete and cement mixing and washing areas should be contained and sited at least **10 metres** from any watercourse or surface water drain to minimise the risk of runoff entering a watercourse.

### **3.21 Concrete Cure Time**

The Licence Holder must ensure materials used are suitable for use in the marine environment and works should be timed to ensure maximum concrete cure time.

### **3.22 UK Marine Noise Registry**

- 3.22.1** The Licence Holder must complete an entry into the UK Marine Noise Registry detailing the proposed dates and locations and nature of the impact pile driving at least **10 days** prior to its commencement.
- 3.22.2** The Licence Holder must amend the marine noise registry proposed activity form should the timing of the impact pile driving alter or no longer remain part of the project.
- 3.22.3** The Licence Holder must complete an entry into the Marine Noise Registry detailing the actual dates, location(s) and nature of the impact pile driving every **6 months** following the commencement of impact pile driving until the completion of impact pile driving with the final entry to be completed within **8 weeks** of completion of the noisy activity.

## **5 INTERPRETATION**

In this Licence terms are as defined in section 115 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act unless otherwise stated.

- (a) **"2009 Act"** means the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- (b) **"Approved Application"** means the Marine Licence Application Form together with the Approved Supporting Documents;
- (c) **"Approved Supporting Documents"** means the documents supporting, or supplementary to, the Approved Application, submitted prior to the Licence Issue Date, listed in the Table at paragraph 2.3 above;
- (d) **"Commencement"** means the first undertaking of any Licensed Activities;
- (e) **"Force majeure"** may be deemed to apply when, due to stress of weather or any other cause, the master of a vessel determines that it is necessary to deposit the substances or articles because the safety of human life and/or of the vessel is threatened;
- (f) **"Licensed Activities"** means the activities authorised by this licence as specified in 2.1;
- (g) **"Licensed Area"** means the area within which Licensed Activities are authorised by this licence as specified in section 2.2;
- (h) **"Licence Holder"** means the person(s) or organisation(s) named in section 1.2 to whom this licence is granted;
- (i) **"Licence Period"** means the period beginning with the Licence Start Date and ending on the Licence End Date;
- (j) **"Licensing Authority"** means Natural Resources Wales acting on behalf of the Welsh Ministers;
- (k) **"Marine Enforcement Officers"** means the relevant officers appointed by Welsh Ministers under section 235 of the 2009 Act, contact details for whom are provided in section 5;
- (l) **"Marine Licence Application Form"** means the application form forming part of the application referred to in paragraph 1.1;
- (m) **"Method Statement"** means the Method Statement(s) forming part of the Approved Application or Approved Supporting Documents;

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- (n) **“Works”** means any construction activities comprised in the Licensed Activities and, where the context permits, includes any plant, equipment or materials used to carry out those activities or operations but excludes monitoring, minor routine maintenance or other ongoing operational activities following completion of any construction activities;
- (o) all times shall be taken to be the time in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on any given day;
- (p) all co-ordinates shall be taken to be latitude and longitude decimal degree (WGS 84)
- (q) in the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates listed in paragraph 2.2 and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

## **6 CONTACTS**

**Except where otherwise indicated, the primary point of contact with the Licensing Authority and the address for returns, correspondence and requests for variations of the licence is:**

Marine Licensing Team  
Natural Resources Wales  
Welsh Government Offices  
Cathays Park  
King Edward VII Avenue  
Cardiff  
CF10 3NQ  
Tel: 0300 065 3000  
Email: [marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk](mailto:marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk)

**Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Officers may be contacted at:**

Welsh Government  
Suite 3  
Cedar Court  
Haven’s Head Business Park  
Milford Haven Pembrokeshire  
SA73 3LS  
  
Tel: 03000253500  
Email: [MarineLicencingEnforcement@gov.wales](mailto:MarineLicencingEnforcement@gov.wales)

