



Marine Licensing Variation Decision

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

Applicant: **Cyngor Gwynedd**
Application reference no: **CML2332v1**

Barmouth

Barmouth Viaduct Flood Alleviation Scheme

18 March 2026

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OUR DECISION

Based on all the information available and having regard to all relevant considerations NRW has decided to grant the variation to the Existing Marine Licence (see Annex 2) sought by the Variation Application subject to the additional conditions set out in Annex 1.

This decision document:

- explains how the Variation Application has been determined, having regard to the relevant legal framework outlined in section 4;
- explains how relevant considerations have been taken into account and how each of the legal requirements have been considered in determining the Variation Application;
- provides a record of the decision-making process; and
- sets out the reasons for any conditions imposed in connection with any marine licence granted pursuant to the Variation Application.

1 APPLICATION DETAILS

1.1 The Variation Application

Applicant name and address	The Applicant is the organisation set out below: Organisation name: Cyngor Gwynedd Address: Swyddfa'r Cyngor, Ffordd y Cob, Pwllheli, Gwynedd LL53 5AA
Variation Application reference number	CML2332v1
Existing Marine Licence reference number	CML2332
Date Variation Application was duly made	06 March 2026
Description of variation	This Licence has been varied to extend the Licence end date from 01 April 2026 to 01 April 2027
Proposal[s] covered by the Variation Application	Barmouth Viaduct Flood Alleviation Scheme (the Project)
Licensable marine activities	Activity 1 Removal and rebuild 60m of sea wall Activity 2 Construction of a new surface water pipe outfall which will protrude from the new sea wall. (the Proposed Activities)
Marine Plan area	Welsh inshore region and Welsh offshore region
Variation Application documents:	CML2332v1 - Application Form 17.02.26.pdf - 17 February 2026 CML2332v1 Application Amendments Form.docx - 06 March 2026

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2 VARIATION APPLICATION PROCEDURE

2.1 The Variation Application

The Variation Application was accepted by Natural Resources Wales (**NRW**) considered duly made on **06 March 2026**. This means we considered it was in the correct form and contained sufficient information for us to begin our determination, but not that it necessarily contained all the information we needed to complete that determination, and the documents considered may therefore include documents provided after the Variation Application was first made.

2.2 Documents considered

In reaching its decision, NRW has considered the documents listed in section 1 of this decision document along with such other information provided by the Applicant or received during any consultation, that NRW considered relevant.

2.3 Commercial Confidentiality

The Applicant made no claim that any information forming part of the Variation Application was subject to commercial confidentiality and we have not received any information in relation to the Variation Application that appears to be commercially confidential.

2.4 Publicity and advertising

Due to the minor change to the licence which includes a 12-month extension, no notice was given to Local Authorities and no Public Notice was advertised for this Marine Licence variation.

2.5 Environmental impact Assessment

Council Directive 2011/92/EU (as amended) on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment aims to protect the environment and the quality of life by ensuring that projects which are likely to have significant environmental effects by virtue of their nature, size or location are subject to an environmental impact assessment (EIA) before permission is granted.

The Marine Works (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2007 ("the Regulations") transpose the EIA Directive in Wales and England for marine licence applications.

Having considered the Variation Application NRW has determined that it does not constitute a development requiring EIA under the Regulations.

3 CONSULTATION

3.1 Consultees

Due to the minor nature of the change to the licence and that no additional impacts are expected above that which were considering during the determination of **CML2332** NRW did not consider it appropriate to reconsult on this occasion.



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4 Conclusions and Recommendations

Based on all the information available, NRW's decision is to grant the variation to the Existing Marine Licence sought by the Variation Application. **CML2332v1** is a routine change to extend the licence expiry date by 12 months and as such we refer to section 4 of the decision document for **CML2332** regarding the relevant legal framework and how each of the legal requirements have been considered. The decision document can be found here [Public register - Customer Portal \(naturalresources.wales\)](#) by searching for **CML2332**.

NRW has determined that a Marine Licence for the Proposed Activities should be granted.

AUTHORISATION

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License end date has been changed in Section 1.3 of the Marine License from **01 April 2026** detailed in **CML2332** to **01 April 2027** detailed in **CML2332v1**.