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## **ADDITIONAL INFORMATION SUBMISSION FORM**

This form is to be used to provide any additional information requested for marine licence application. Ensure that the relevant section to be amended is indicated below and that you provide as much information as possible.

All information submitted may be referred to within a licence, therefore all works must be in accordance with this information, unless otherwise agreed with the Licensing Authority during the determination process.

### **Application Form Structure**

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4. Declaration

## 1. Application Information

Licence Reference Number	RML2571
Applicant	Mr James Malone
Applicant e-mail address	James.Malone@nationalgrid.com

## 1. Application Amendments/Additional Information

Please insert additional rows if more than one section is to be amended.

Section of the Application Form Amended (Number & Name)	Amendments Made
3(d). Will the Works require the use of vessels	Yes as indicated within the application form.
6. Project Description	<p>Minor change of activities proposed between Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) and the original 10 m water depth (WD) contour. Sediment grab sampling activities have been updated to operate between the MHWS and 8 m WD contour (inshore), then from the 6 m WD contour beyond (offshore). Cone penetration tests (CPT, offshore) and vibrocores (offshore) have now been noted to take place from the 4 m WD contour. CPT (nearshore) and borehole (nearshore) sampling will take place from MHWS and the 8 m WD contour.</p> <p>Minor change to the nearshore works to account for potential issues in borehole sampling (intention to undertake 6 boreholes from 6 jack up barge locations – should there be issues, it is proposed that there would be up to 3 repeats of boreholes, and so 3 additional jack up barge locations required). Additional cone penetration tests (CPTs) may be undertaken from these additional jack up barge locations, if needed. No sample would be retained.</p>
7. Methods Statements	<p>Update made to project description is directly related to the Project Description change:</p> <p>Minor change of activities proposed between Mean High Water Springs (MHWS) and the original 10 m water depth (WD) contour. Sediment grab sampling activities have been updated to operate between the MHWS and 8 m WD contour (inshore), then from the 6 m WD contour beyond</p>

	<p>(offshore). Cone penetration tests (CPT, offshore) and vibrocores (offshore) have now been noted to take place from the 4 m WD contour. CPT (nearshore) and borehole (nearshore) sampling will take place from MHWS and the 8 m WD contour.</p> <p>Minor change to the nearshore works to account for potential issues in borehole sampling (intention to undertake 6 boreholes from 6 jack up barge locations – should there be issues, it is proposed that there would be up to 3 repeats of boreholes, and so 3 additional jack up barge locations required). Additional cone penetration tests (CPTs) may be undertaken from these additional jack up barge locations, if needed. No sample would be retained.</p>
<p>8(c) (ii). <b>Description of objects/materials to be removed seaward of MHWS</b> Including quantities to be removed</p>	<p>Minor update to the proposed number of borehole samples, alongside an update to sediment grab sample number and vibrocore sample numbers in accordance with the project description to account for the WD contour amends.</p> <p>Due to these potential additional samples, there is an increase in the volume of material anticipated to be removed.</p>

If the submission above will result to any changes to the working methodology, these must be reflected in the method statement and any other relevant supporting documents.

If this is the case, please tick to confirm that you have submitted the amended Method Statement/supporting document/drawings. Please ensure that any submitted documents are dated, contain appropriate version numbers and that any changes made to the Method Statement have been clearly highlighted using an alternative colour within the document.

<p>Please indicate below the Sections of the Method Statement that have been amended:</p>
<p>Updated area of the method statement are tracked in red below: The geotechnical survey activity will comprise the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• sediment grab sampling (0.01 m<sup>2</sup> primary dual Van Veen grab, or secondary Hamon/Day grab): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ two drops per sample location, increasing to three drops in sensitive areas</li> <li>○ inshore (&lt;840 m water depth) sampling frequency of every 2 and 5 km, offshore (&gt;640 m water depth) sampling frequency of every 5 and 10 km</li> <li>○ in sensitive areas sampling will be spaced at 2 km</li> <li>○ first drop: two replicates for macrobenthic faunal analysis, second drop: two replicates for physio-chemical analysis, additional samples will be stored for sensitive areas</li> </ul> </li> <li>• Cone Penetration Testing (CPT, offshore, &gt;440 m water depth) or T-bar: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ one sample location per 1 km performed from seabed frame</li> <li>○ no sample retained</li> </ul> </li> <li>• vibrocore samples (offshore, &gt;440 m water depth): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ one sample location per 1 km performed from seabed frame</li> <li>○ full penetration of 6 m, diameter 100 mm</li> </ul> </li> <li>• CPT (nearshore, Mean High Water Springs to 8 m water depth): <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ target depth of up to 40 m below the seabed, no sample retained</li> <li>○ <del>four nearshore landfall areas (four samples each) to be sampled from a jack-up barge</del></li> </ul> </li> </ul>

- borehole samples (nearshore, <del>840</del> m water depth):
  - full recovery to ~~4030~~ m, diameter 100 mm
  - nearshore landfall areas (~~nine~~ boreholes each, one landfall at Wales, ~~and two in Scotland~~) to be sampled from a jack-up barge.

Drop down video transects (Remotely Operated Vehicle (ROV)) will also take place in 10 km intervals with a minimum length of 200 m, increasing to 500 m in sensitive areas.

## 2. Public Register

Under The Marine Licensing (Register of Licensing Information)(Wales) Regulations 2011 and the Environmental Impact Assessment Directive (Directive 85/337/EEC – as amended) , all information contained within or provided in support of this application will be placed on the Public Register unless NRW approve of the applicant’s reasons for withholding all or part.

2. Is there any information contained within or provided in support of this application that you consider should NOT be included on the Public Register on the grounds that its disclosure:

2(a). Would be contrary to the interest of National Security? Yes  No

2(b). Would prejudice to an unreasonable degree you, or some other person’s commercial interest of those of a third party? Yes  No

If **Yes** to either (a) or (b), please provide full justification as to why all or part of the information you have provided should be withheld



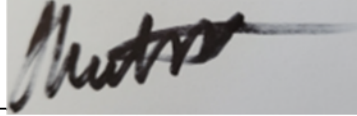
Please continue on a separate sheet if necessary. Please tick if you have done this

### 3. Declaration

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, under which this application is made, to fail to disclose information or to provide false or misleading information and can invalidate any licence granted.**

Signature \_\_\_\_\_



Date 13/05/2026

Name (in capitals) JAMES MALONE

Position in Company Marine Consents Officer

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

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