

Marine Licence with introductory note

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

Licence Holder:
Carmarthenshire County Council

County Hall,
Carmarthen,
Dyfed
SA31 1JP

Disposal of dredged material from Burry Port
Harbour at Burry Port Foreshore (LU146)
Disposal Site

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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.

Disposal of dredged material from Burry Port Harbour at Burry Port Foreshore (LU146) disposal site.

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

Status log of this marine licence		
Description	Date	Comments
Application	07 November 2025	Application received and considered to be duly made
Date licence determined	30 June 2026	Determination date

Related marine licences or applications under determination

Not applicable

End of introductory note.

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1 LICENCE DETAILS

1.1 Marine Licence

This is a licence granted by the Licensing Authority in respect of an application numbered **DML2562** and duly made on **07 November 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:

Organisation: Carmarthenshire County Council
Address: County Hall, Carmarthen, Dyfed SA31 1JP

1.3 Licence Validity

Licence Start Date	30 June 2026
Licence End Date	30 June 2036
Licence Issue Date	30 June 2026

1.4 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

Disposal of dredged material from Burry Port Harbour at Burry Port Foreshore (LU146) disposal site

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

Activity 1 Disposal of dredged material			
Marine Licensable Activity Type	Deposit		
Description	Disposal of maintenance dredging material from the Approach Channel and Outer Harbour areas of Burry Port Harbour at Burry Port Foreshore (LU146) disposal site. Dredged material will be deposited using dumper / tipper trucks.		
Maximum Dredge Depth of Approach Channel	A maximum of 2m below Ordnance Datum Newlyn		
Maximum Dredge Depth of Outer Harbour	A maximum of 1.5m below Ordnance Datum Newlyn		
Maximum Deposit	Sampled Specific Gravity	m ³ per year	Tonnage per year
	2t/m ³	70,000	140,000
Deposit Location	Site Code: LU146		Site Name: Burry Port Foreshore
Material Type	Dredge arising, material as described in “DML2562 NRW Results Template MAR02686 Burry Port 2025 v3”		

2.2 Licensed Area

The Licence Holder is only authorised to deposit material dredged from the area bounded by the coordinates specified in Table 2.

Table 2 Coordinates for dredging

Dredge Zone – Approach Channel	
Latitude	Longitude

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51.678613	-4.250217
51.678578	-4.249860
51.678407	-4.250147
51.678274	-4.250369
51.678216	-4.250388
51.678162	-4.250377
51.678050	-4.250198
51.673225	-4.248574
51.673348	-4.249655
51.676729	-4.250769
51.677287	-4.250902
51.677426	-4.250819
51.677654	-4.250968
51.678168	-4.251149
51.678598	-4.251266
51.678613	-4.250217

Dredge Zone – Outer Harbour	
Latitude	Longitude
51.678613	-4.250217
51.678578	-4.249860
51.678407	-4.250147
51.678274	-4.250369
51.678216	-4.250388
51.678162	-4.250377
51.678050	-4.250198
51.673225	-4.248574
51.673348	-4.249655
51.676729	-4.250769
51.677287	-4.250902
51.677426	-4.250819
51.677654	-4.250968
51.678168	-4.251149
51.678598	-4.251266
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51.678578	-4.249860
51.678407	-4.250147
51.678274	-4.250369
51.678216	-4.250388

The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the deposit activities described in Table 1 bounded by the coordinates specified in Table 3.

Table 3 Permitted Deposit Locations

Deposit Location : Burry Port Foreshore (LU146)	
Latitude	Longitude
51.679323	-4.239995
51.679831	-4.236013
51.679769	-4.231236
51.678520	-4.231175

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51.677995	-4.232755
51.677383	-4.243660
51.678968	-4.243536

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

Title/Description of Document	Date Submitted
DML2562 NRW Results Template MAR02686 Burry Port 2025 v3	07 November 2025
DML2562 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Biosecurity Risk Assessment_FINAL	07 November 2025
DML2562 Burry Port Maintenance Dredge WNMP_2025_11_05	07 November 2025
DML2562 - Burry Port Harbour eng-marine-dredge-and-disposal-licence-application 2025_09_29	21 October 2025
DML2562 - 2025-09-11 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_WFD Assessment_FINAL	21 October 2025
DML2562 - 2025-08-29 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Coastal Processes Assessment_FINAL	21 October 2025
DML2562 Area.png	06 November 2025
DML2562 - Burry Port harbour Phase 1 sediment deposition	30 January 2026
DML2562 - 2026-03-18 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Habs Regs Assessment_UPDATED FINAL	19 March 2026
DML2562 - 2026-03-18 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Habs Regs Assessment_APPENDIX 8	19 March 2026
DML2562 - 2026-03-18 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Habs Regs Assessment_APPENDIX 9	19 March 2026

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DML2562 Burry Port Disposal Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan R2 2026_06_10	10 June 2026
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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 Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement) 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.
- 3.1.4** The Licence Holder must ensure that notification is sent to The Source Data Receipt team, UK Hydrographic Office (email: **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.

3.2 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 Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement) 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 and Welsh Government Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement) 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 **zone28@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 Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement) within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.
- 3.6.3** 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.

3.7 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.

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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.

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 Biosecurity Risk Assessment

3.18.1 The Licence Holder must implement any actions outlined in the “*DML2562 Burry Port Dredge and Disposal_Biosecurity Risk Assessment_FINAL*”, submitted 05 November 2025 and detailed in section 2.3 as approved by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the document must be submitted to, and approved in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

3.18.2 The Licence Holder must submit an updated Biosecurity Risk Assessment to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority for written approval by the 31 January each year, starting January 2027.

3.19 Sediment Sampling

3.19.1 The Licence Holder must request a sediment sampling plan from the Licensing Authority on or before **28 November 2027**.

3.19.2 The Licence Holder must ensure that the sampling is undertaken in accordance with the sampling plan described in condition 3.19.1 and is analysed at an NRW approved laboratory.

3.19.3 The Licence Holder must submit the written results of the sediment sampling undertaken pursuant to condition 3.19.1 for written approval by the Licensing Authority within **two months** of sampling taking place. This must include an outline of an assessment of alternative uses for the sediment that is to be disposed.

3.19.4 The Licence Holder must not carry out any dredging activity after **28 May 2028** without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority. Such written approval should be requested no later than **28 March 2028**.

3.19.5 The Licence Holder must request a sediment sampling plan from the Licensing Authority on or before **28 November 2030**.

3.19.6 The Licence Holder must ensure that the sampling is undertaken in accordance with the sampling plan described in condition 3.19.5 and is analysed at an NRW approved laboratory.

3.19.7 The Licence Holder must submit the written results of the sediment sampling undertaken pursuant to condition 3.19.5 for written approval

by the Licensing Authority within **two months** of sampling taking place. This must include an outline of an assessment of alternative uses for the sediment that is to be disposed.

- 3.19.8** The Licence Holder must not carry out any dredging activity after **28 May 2031** without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority. Such written approval should be requested no later than **28 March 2031**.
- 3.19.9** The Licence Holder must request a sediment sampling plan from the Licensing Authority on or before **28 November 2033**.
- 3.19.10** The Licence Holder must ensure that the sampling is undertaken in accordance with the sampling plan described in condition 3.19.9 and is analysed at an NRW approved laboratory.
- 3.19.11** The Licence Holder must submit the written results of the sediment sampling undertaken pursuant to condition 3.19.9 for written approval by the Licensing Authority within **two months** of sampling taking place. This must include an outline of an assessment of alternative uses for the sediment that is to be disposed.
- 3.19.12** The Licence Holder must not carry out any dredging activity after **28 May 2034** without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority. Such written approval should be requested no later than **28 March 2034**.

3.20 Monitoring and Analysis

- 3.20.1** The Licence Holder must implement a program of monitoring and analysis in line with the '*DML2562 Burry Port Disposal Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan R2 2026_06_10*', dated 10 June 2026. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by, the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.
- 3.20.2** The Licence Holder must submit the monitoring report to the Licensing Authority for written approval as per the timelines agreed in the Monitoring and Adaptive Management Plan detailed in condition 3.20.1.
- 3.20.3** If the monitoring detailed in condition 3.20.1 identifies discernible changes to physical processes and/or benthic habitat conditions that would undermine the Conservation Objectives of the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries SAC, the Licence Holder must provide recommendations within the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.20.2 to prevent adverse effect to the Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries SAC.
- 3.20.4** The Licence Holder must ensure that any proposed mitigation to prevent adverse effect to Carmarthen Bay and Estuaries SAC outlined in the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.20.2 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the approved monitoring report must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.
- 3.20.5** The Licence Holder must not carry out any further disposal activity following completion of the first dredge and disposal campaign without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority. Such written

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approval should be requested no later than **3 months** of completion of the survey detailed in condition 3.20.1.

3.21 Reporting of Artefacts

The Licence Holder must ensure that any artefacts found during the works are reported through the Marine Portable Antiquities Scheme.

3.22 Evenly Deposit Material

The Licence Holder must ensure that during the course of disposal, material is distributed evenly over Burry Port Foreshore (LU146) disposal ground.

3.23 Disposal Returns

3.23.1 Certified returns of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence are required to be submitted on the attached disposal return form by **31 January** for the months July to December inclusive and **31 July** each year for the months January to June inclusive.. The returns must specify the full Licence number and amount deposited each calendar month at each authorised Deposit Area. Where no deposit is made in a given period a NIL return is required.

3.23.2 If this Licence expires during the course of the calendar year and is not renewed or superseded by a further Licence relating to the works specified in paragraph 2.1, a certified return of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence, shall be submitted not later than **28 working days** after the expiry date of this Licence.

3.24 Record of Quantity of Deposited Material

The Licence Holder must keep a log detailing the time, date, location and quantity of material deposited. Location of deposit within the Deposit Area should be provided. This log must be available for inspection by appropriately authorised officers of the Licensing Authority and Marine Enforcement Officers.

3.25 Timing Restriction – Overwintering Birds

The Licence Holder must ensure that no more than a single disposal campaign consisting of up to **5 consecutive days** takes place between **01 December and 28 February inclusive**, without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority.

3.26 Timing Restriction – High Tide

The Licence Holder must ensure that no Licensed Activities are conducted **within 2 hours** of high tide, without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority.

4 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;

- (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.

5 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

Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Officers may be contacted at:

Welsh Government Fisheries Division (Control & Enforcement)
Welsh Government
Suite 3
Cedar Court
Haven's Head Business Park
Milford Haven Pembrokeshire
SA73 3LS

Tel: 03000253500
Email: MarineLicencingEnforcement@gov.wales

Appendix 1

