

WNMP Policy No.	WNMP Policy		Does the project have the potential to impact the Policy?	How Does the Proposed Project Comply with the Policy?
GEN_01	Planning policy	There is a presumption in favour of the sustainable development of the plan area in order to contribute to Wales' well-being goals.	No, because the project proposes to maintain an existing development (Aberystwyth Marina) rather than proposes a new development.	Not applicable.
GEN_02	Planning policy	Relevant public authorities should take a proportionate, risk-based approach to application of relevant marine planning policies in decision making.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it is considered in relation to marine planning policies by relevant public authorities; particularly, Natural Resources Wales.
ECON_01	Sustainable economic growth	Proposals for economically sustainable activities are encouraged, particularly where they contribute to: • the sustainable management of natural resources thereby supporting ecosystem resilience; • a more resilient economy; • employment opportunities particularly for coastal communities; • protecting and creating employment at all skill levels; • maintaining communities with a high-density of Welsh speakers; and/or • tackling poverty by supporting deprived coastal communities.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to sustainable economic growth.
ECON_02	Coexistence	Proposals should demonstrate how they have considered opportunities for coexistence with other compatible sectors in order to optimise the value and use of the marine area and marine natural resources.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina and, therefore, maintains opportunities for coexistence with other compatible sectors including recreation and tourism sectors. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to access to coexistence with other users of the marine area and marine natural resources.
SOC_01	Access to the marine environment	Proposals that maintain or enhance access to the marine environment are encouraged.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina and, therefore, maintains access to the marine environment for activities that require the use of vessels to access the marine environment. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to access to the marine environment.
SOC_02	Well-being of coastal communities	Proposals that contribute to the well-being of coastal communities are encouraged.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to the well-being of coastal communities.
SOC_03	Marine pollution incidents	Proposals should demonstrate how they minimise their risk of causing or contributing to marine pollution incidents.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because the specification for the dredging contractor is expected to include provisions for maintaining and operating the plant to minimise the risk of leaks and spills, and to have a suitable spill kit readily available to contain and clean-up leaks and spills should an accident or incident occur. On this basis, the project is considered to not pose a significant marine pollution risk.
SOC_04	Welsh language and culture	Proposals that contribute to the promotion and facilitation of the use of the Welsh language and culture are encouraged.	No, because the project does not include for the promotion and facilitation of the Welsh language.	Not applicable.
SOC_05	Historic assets	Proposals should demonstrate how potential impacts on historic assets and their settings have been taken into consideration and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts on historic assets and their settings; and/or b) minimise impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Opportunities to enhance historic assets are encouraged.	No, although reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project take places within the vicinity of maritime heritage assets and their setting (including the harbour and wreck sites), the project takes place within the confines of a previously and regularly dredged marina (and wider harbour area) and, therefore, will not affect any maritime heritage assets.	Not applicable.
SOC_06	Designated landscapes	Proposals should demonstrate how potential impacts on the purposes and special qualities for which National Parks or Areas of Outstanding Natural Beauty have been designated have been taken into consideration and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts on designated landscapes; and/or b) minimise impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Opportunities to enhance designated landscapes are encouraged.	No, reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project will not take place within a National Park or Area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and, therefore, will not affect any designated landscapes.	Not applicable.

SOC_07	Seascapes	Proposals should demonstrate how potential impacts on seascapes have been taken into consideration and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts on seascapes; and/or b) minimise impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Opportunities to enhance seascapes are encouraged.	No, although reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project take places within the Cardigan Bay (South) National Marine Character Area, the project takes place within the confines of a previously and regularly dredged marina (and wider harbour area) and, therefore, will not affect any seascapes.	Not applicable.
SOC_08	Resilience to coastal change and flooding	Proposals should demonstrate how they are resilient to coastal change and flooding over their lifetime.	No, because the project proposes to maintain an existing development (Aberystwyth Marina) rather than proposes a new development.	Not applicable.
SOC_09	Effects on coastal change and flooding	Proposals should demonstrate how they: avoid significant adverse impacts upon coastal processes; and minimise the risk of coastal change and flooding; Proposals that align with the relevant Shoreline Management Plan(s) and its policies are encouraged.	No, because the project proposes to maintain an existing development (Aberystwyth Marina) rather than proposes a new development.	Not applicable.
SOC_10	Minimising climate change	Proposals should demonstrate how they, in order of preference: a) avoid the emission of greenhouse gases; and/or b) minimise them where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate them where they cannot be minimised. Where significant emission of greenhouse gases cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals for regulated activities must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. The project proposes to use water injection dredging to dredge the marina by relocating dredged material to Cardigan Bay using natural processes (e.g., gravity and tidal currents). By taking this approach, the project the greenhouse gas emissions associated with transporting the dredged material a significant distance offshore to a disposal site. On this basis, the project is considered to not emit significant amounts of greenhouse gases.
SOC_11	Resilience to climate change	Proposals should demonstrate that they have considered the impacts of climate change and have incorporated appropriate adaptation measures, taking into account Climate Change Risk Assessments for Wales. Proposals that contribute to climate change adaptation and/or mitigation are encouraged.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. The project proposes to use water injection dredging to dredge the marina by relocating dredged material to Cardigan Bay using natural processes (e.g., gravity and tidal currents). By taking this approach, the dredged material will be retained within the same sediment cell from where it originated, which is the generally preferred dredged material management option set out in the Welsh National Marine Plan. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to climate change resilience.
ENV_01	Resilient marine ecosystems	Proposals should demonstrate how potential impacts on marine ecosystems have been taken into consideration and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts; and/or b) minimise impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Proposals that contribute to the protection, restoration and/or enhancement of marine ecosystems are encouraged.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. Potential impacts on marine ecosystems have been considered through a Habitats Regulations Assessment, Water Framework Directive Compliance Assessment, and a Biosecurity Risk Assessment. None of these assessments found the project to have significant adverse impacts on marine ecosystems and/or to pose significant adverse risks to marine ecosystems, or to require mitigation measures to address adverse impacts and/or risks to marine ecosystems. On this basis, the project is considered to not have a significant adverse impact on marine ecosystems.
ENV_02	Marine Protected Areas	Proposals should demonstrate how they: avoid adverse impacts on individual Marine Protected Areas (MPAs) and the coherence of the network as a whole; have regard to the measures to manage MPAs; and avoid adverse impacts on designated sites that are not part of the MPA network.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. A Habitats Regulations Assessment has been undertaken to consider the potential for likely significant effects on the favourable conservation status of a European site (and its features), including the West Wales Marine SAC (harbour porpoise), Llyn Peninsula and the Sarnau SAC (reefs and sea caves), and Northern Cardigan Bay SPA (red-throated diver). A screening assessment found that the project would not have a significant effect on the European site features either alone or in-combination with other plans or projects. On this basis, the project is considered to not have a significant adverse impact on MPAs.
ENV_03	Invasive non-native species	Proposals should demonstrate how they avoid or minimise the risk of introducing and spreading invasive non-native species. Where appropriate, proposals should include biosecurity measures to reduce the risk of introducing and spreading of invasive non-native species.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. A WFD Assessment and Biosecurity Risk Assessment has been undertaken to consider the potential risks posed through the introduction and/or spread of INNS. The assessments identified INNS may be present at and around Aberystwyth Marina; notably modest barnacle (<i>Austrominius modestus</i>) Japanese wireweed (<i>Sargassum muticum</i>), Bonnemaisonia's hook weed (<i>Bonnemaisonia hamifera</i>) and leathery sea squirt (<i>Styela clava</i>), albeit distributed at locations outside the dredging area due to preferred habitat requirements. On this basis, the project is considered to pose a low risk and, therefore, an acceptable risk in relation to the introduction and/or spread of INNS.

ENV_04	Marine litter	Proposals should demonstrate how they: avoid the deliberate introduction of litter into the marine plan area; and minimise the risk of accidental release of litter.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because the specification for the dredging contractor is expected to include provisions for avoiding the deliberate introduction of litter and minimising the risk of accidentally releasing litter in the marine environment. On this basis, the project is considered to not pose a significant marine litter risk.
ENV_05	Underwater noise	Proposals should demonstrate that they have considered man-made noise impacts on the marine environment and, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts; and/or b) minimise impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. A Habitats Regulations Assessment has been undertaken to consider the potential for likely significant effects on the favourable conservation status of a European site (and its features), including the potential for an underwater noise effect on the harbour porpoise feature of the West Wales Marine SAC. A screening assessment found that the project would provide a limited source and pathway for underwater noise, and would not have a significant effect on harbour porpoise either alone or in-combination with other plans or projects. On this basis, the project is considered to not have a significant adverse impact on the marine environment due to underwater noise.
ENV_06	Air and water quality	Proposals should demonstrate that they have considered their potential air and water quality impacts and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts; and/or b) minimise adverse impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate adverse impacts where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. A WFD Assessment has been undertaken to consider the potential for an impact on the water quality of the Ystwyth & Rheidol Estuaries water body and/or the Cardigan Bay North water body, taking into account the potential for the dredged material to be contaminated by priority substances and certain other polluting chemicals listed under the Water Framework Directive (WFD) and Environmental Quality Standards Directive (EQSD). The assessment found that the project would provide a limited source for chemical contaminants to affect water quality, and would not pose a significant risk to water quality in the Ystwyth & Rheidol Estuaries water body and/or the Cardigan Bay North water body either alone or in-combination with other plans or projects. On this basis, the project is considered to not have a significant adverse impact on the marine environment due to water quality.
ENV_07	Fish species and habitats	Proposals potentially affecting important feeding, breeding (including spawning & nursery) and migration areas or habitats for key fish and shellfish species of commercial or ecological importance should demonstrate how they, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse impacts on those areas; and/or b) minimise adverse impacts where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate adverse impacts where they cannot be minimised; If significant adverse impacts cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. A WFD Assessment has been undertaken to consider the potential for an impact on fish migration in the Ystwyth & Rheidol Estuaries water body and/or the Cardigan Bay North water body, taking into account the potential for the dredging to generate underwater noise that presents a barrier to fish migration. The assessment found that the project would provide a limited source for underwater noise, and would not pose a significant risk to fish migration in the Ystwyth & Rheidol Estuaries water body and/or the Cardigan Bay North water body either alone or in-combination with other plans or projects. On this basis, the project is considered to not have a significant adverse impact on fish.
GOV_01	Cumulative effects	Proposals should demonstrate that they have assessed potential cumulative effects and should, in order of preference: a) avoid adverse effects; and/or b) minimise effects where they cannot be avoided; and/or c) mitigate effects where they cannot be minimised. If significant adverse effects cannot be avoided, minimised or mitigated, proposals must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Proposals that contribute to positive cumulative effects are encouraged.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy. Potential cumulative effects have been considered through a Habitats Regulations Assessment and WFD Assessment. Neither of these assessments found the project to have significant adverse cumulative effects, or to require mitigation measures to address adverse cumulative effects. On this basis, the project is considered to not have significant adverse cumulative effects.
GOV_02	Cross-border and plan compatibility	Relevant public authorities, in making their decisions, should have regard to: any applicable policy in a relevant marine plan; any applicable policy in relevant terrestrial development plans or related documents; the Natural Resources Policy; any relevant local well-being plan(s) (including the local well-being assessment); and evidence in any relevant Area Statement(s) produced by Natural Resources Wales (NRW).	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it is expected to comply with the strategic and specific policies under the Ceredigion Local Development Plan and supporting plans and documents including the Cardigan Bay Action Plan's proposal for marina and harbour improvements at Aberystwyth Harbour. On this basis, the project is considered to be compatible with other plans and policies.
SCI_01	Using sound science responsibly	Relevant public authorities should make decisions using sound evidence and a risk-based, proportionate approach. Where appropriate they should apply the precautionary principle and consider opportunities to apply adaptive management.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to undertake the dredging and relocation of dredged material using methods previously used at this location for the same purpose (i.e., water injection dredging) and, therefore, using methods that are known to offer a proportionate approach to achieving the project's objectives. On this basis, the project is considered to use sound science responsibly.

AGG_01a	Aggregates (supporting)	Proposals for new aggregate extraction will be supported, within any tonnage limits, where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for new aggregate extraction, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect an aggregate resource area.	Not applicable.
AGG_01b	Aggregates (supporting)	Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for the sustainable use of wider marine aggregate natural resources; to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for aggregates in order to support the sustainable development of the aggregate sector through marine planning.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of aggregate resources.	Not applicable.
AQU_01a	Aquaculture (supporting)	Proposals for new aquaculture developments will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for new aquaculture development.	Not applicable.
AQU_01b	Aquaculture (supporting)	Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for the sustainable use of aquaculture resources including the identification of: natural resources that provide aquaculture potential opportunities to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for aquaculture in order to support the sustainable development of the aquaculture sector through marine planning.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of aquaculture resources.	Not applicable.
D&D_01	Dredging and disposal (supporting)	Proposals that maintain navigable channels and long term access to open at-sea disposal sites for appropriate material will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to dredging and disposal.
ELC_01a	Low carbon energy (supporting) wind	Proposals for offshore wind energy generation will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations. Proposals for wind >350MW will be considered by UK Government in accordance with relevant national policy. In determining an NSIP for a wind proposal, the decision maker will have regard to this plan. Any determination in relation to energy developments of any scale will be taken in accordance with this plan alongside any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for offshore wind energy generation, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect an offshore wind energy generation area.	Not applicable.
ELC_01b	Low carbon energy (supporting) wind	In order to understand future opportunities for offshore wind development, including floating technologies, this plan supports strategic planning for the sector. Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for the sustainable use of wind energy resources including identification of: • natural resources that provide potential opportunity for future use; • evidence to de-risk consenting for the sector; and • opportunities to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for offshore wind energy resource safeguarding; in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning. Relevant public authorities should make appropriate evidence available to support planning and decision making in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning, where it is appropriate to do so.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of offshore wind energy resources.	Not applicable.
ELC_02a	Low carbon energy (supporting) wave	Proposals for wave energy generation will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for wave energy generation, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect a wave energy generation area.	Not applicable.

ELC_02b	Low carbon energy (supporting) wave	In order to understand future opportunities for wave energy development, relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for the sustainable use of wave energy resources including identification of: • natural resources that provide potential opportunity for future use; • evidence to de-risk consenting for the sector; and • opportunities to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for wave energy resource safeguarding; in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning. Relevant public authorities should make appropriate evidence available to support planning and decision making in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning, where it is appropriate to do so.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of wave energy resources.	Not applicable.
ELC_03a	Low carbon energy (supporting) tidal stream	Proposals for tidal stream energy generation will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for tidal stream energy generation, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect a tidal stream energy generation area.	Not applicable.
ELC_03b	Low carbon energy (supporting) tidal stream	In order to understand future opportunities for tidal stream energy development, relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for the sustainable use of tidal stream energy resources including identification of: • natural resources that provide potential opportunity for future use; • evidence to de-risk consenting for the sector; and • opportunities to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for tidal stream energy resource safeguarding; in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning. Relevant public authorities should make appropriate evidence available to support planning and decision making in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning, where it is appropriate to do so.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of tidal stream energy resources.	Not applicable.
ELC_04	Low carbon energy (supporting) tidal range	In order to understand future opportunities for tidal range development, strategic planning for the sector is encouraged. Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to: • collect evidence to support understanding of environmental constraints and opportunities for the sustainable use of the tidal range resource; • support understanding of the optimal siting of tidal lagoon developments across Wales as part of a wider, UK perspective; and • identify opportunities to define and, once in place, further develop and refine Strategic Resource Areas for tidal lagoon safeguarding purposes. Relevant public authorities should make appropriate evidence available to support planning and decision making in order to support the sustainable development of the sector through marine planning, where it is appropriate to do so.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of tidal range energy resources.	Not applicable.
O&G_01a	Oil and gas (supporting)	Proposals that maximise the economic recovery of oil and gas sustainably will be supported where they comply with the objectives of this plan, and fully meet the environmental safeguards contained within the statutory processes of awarding production licences and subsequent activity-specific approvals. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for oil and gas recovery, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect oil and gas infrastructure or a licensing area.	Not applicable.
O&G_01b	Oil and gas (supporting)	Welsh Government policy is to avoid the continued extraction of fossil fuels in intertidal areas and estuaries and coastal inlet waters that fall within the Welsh onshore licence area. Applications for new petroleum licenses in these areas should not be supported, unless required for mine safety or scientific purposes. Proposals for the development and extraction of oil and gas in these areas with land based elements must provide robust and credible evidence to demonstrate how they conform to the Planning Policy Wales Energy Hierarchy for Planning, including how they make a necessary contribution towards decarbonising the energy system.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for fossil fuel extraction.	Not applicable.

O&G_02	Oil and gas (supporting)	Proposals that support the long-term development of carbon capture and storage technology will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for carbon capture and storage, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect carbon capture and storage infrastructure.	Not applicable.
FIS_01a	Fisheries (supporting)	Proposals that support and enhance sustainable fishing activities will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect a commercial fishing area but it may support existing fish landing activity by maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina, which is within Aberystwyth Harbour. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to fishing activities.
FIS_01b	Fisheries (supporting)	Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities to develop a strategic evidence base to improve understanding of opportunities for the sustainable development of fisheries in order to support the sustainable development of the fisheries sector through marine planning.	No, because the project does not seek to understand opportunities for the sustainable use and/or development of fisheries.	Not applicable.
P&S_01a	Ports and shipping (supporting)	Proposals for ports, harbours and shipping activities will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina, which is within Aberystwyth Harbour and, therefore, supports ongoing harbour activities; also, it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to ports and shipping.
P&S_01b	Ports and shipping (supporting)	Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities to support the sustainable development of the ports and shipping sector through marine planning.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina, which is within Aberystwyth Harbour and, therefore, supports ongoing harbour activities; also, it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to ports and shipping.
P&S_02	Ports and shipping (supporting)	Proposals that provide for the maintenance, repair, development and diversification of port and harbour facilities will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina, which is within Aberystwyth Harbour and, therefore, supports ongoing harbour activities; also, it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to ports and shipping.
CAB_01	Subsea cabling (supporting)	Proposals that facilitate the growth of digital communications networks and/or the optimal distribution of electricity will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	No, because the project does not entail a proposal for communication or power networks, and because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect subsea cable infrastructure.	Not applicable.
T&R_01a	Tourism and recreation (supporting)	Proposals that demonstrate a positive contribution to tourism and recreation opportunities and policy objectives (for the sector) around the Welsh coast will be supported where they contribute to the objectives of this plan. Proposals should comply with the relevant general policies and sector safeguarding policies of this plan and any other relevant considerations.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina and, therefore, supports ongoing tourism and recreation activities including sailing, power boating and angling; also, it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to tourism and recreation.

T&R_01b	Tourism and recreation (supporting)	Relevant public authorities and the sector are encouraged, in liaison with other interested parties, to collaborate to understand opportunities for sustainable tourism and recreation around the Welsh coast, including: a) developing a strategic evidence base to improve understanding of current and potential tourism and recreation activities, including eco-tourism and other low impact activities; and b) opportunities to define areas of future opportunity for tourism and recreation; in order to support the sustainable development of the tourism and recreation sector through marine planning.	Yes.	The project complies with the policy because it proposes to maintain navigation and berthing within Aberystwyth Marina and, therefore, supports ongoing tourism and recreation activities including sailing, power boating and angling; also, it compliments Ceredigion County Council's levelling-up investment to improve Aberystwyth Harbour, South Prom and Old College area to further enhance Aberystwyth as an attractor destination. On this basis, the project is considered to contribute positively to tourism and recreation.
SAF_01	Safeguarding existing activity	a: Proposals likely to have significant adverse impacts upon an established activity covered by a formal application or authorisation must demonstrate how they will address compatibility issues with that activity. Proposals unable to demonstrate adequate compatibility must present a clear and convincing case for the proposal to progress under exceptional circumstances. b: Proposals likely to have significant adverse impacts upon an established activity not subject to a formal authorisation must demonstrate how they will address compatibility issues with that activity. Proposals unable to demonstrate adequate compatibility must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Under SAF 01 a and b, compatibility should be demonstrated through, in order of preference: a. Avoiding significant adverse impacts on those activities, and/or b. Minimising significant adverse impacts where these cannot be avoided; and/or c. Mitigating significant adverse impacts where they cannot be minimised.	No, because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect a SAF 01a area or a SAF 01b area.	Not applicable.
SAF_02	Safeguarding strategic resources Strategic Resource Area for Tidal Stream Energy in force January 2025	Proposals which may have significant adverse impacts upon the prospects of any sector covered by this plan to engage in sustainable future strategic resource use (of resources identified by an SRA) must demonstrate how they will address compatibility issues with that potential resource use. Proposals unable to demonstrate adequate compatibility must present a clear and convincing case for proceeding. Compatibility should be demonstrated through, in order of preference: a. Avoiding significant adverse impacts on this potential strategic resource use, and/or b. Minimising significant adverse impacts where these cannot be avoided; and/or c. Mitigating significant adverse impacts where they cannot be minimised.	No, because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect any SRA.	Not applicable.
DEF_01	Defence (safeguarding)	Proposals that: • potentially affect Ministry of Defence (MOD) Danger Areas, Exercise Areas or strategic defence interests; and/or • potentially interfere with communication, surveillance and navigation facilities necessary for defence and national security; should only be authorised with the agreement of MOD.	No, because reference to the Wales Marine Planning Portal shows that the project does not take place in and, therefore, will not affect any MOD-related areas or interests.	Not applicable.