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GLOSSARY

CGC
Cyngor Gwynedd Council

HRA
Habitat Regulations Assessment

LBAP
Local Biodiversity Action Plan

MCA
Maritime and Coastguard Agency

ML
Marine Licence

NRW
Natural Resources Wales

RCAHMW
Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales

RNLI
Royal National Lifeboat Institution

SAC
Special Area of Conservation

SPA
Special Protected Area

SSSI
Site of Special Scientific Interest

1. INTRODUCTION

This document provides a summary of consultation activities undertaken to date in support of the proposed Marine Licence (**ML**) application for disposal of the maintenance dredging operations at Pwllheli Marina. Intertek Metoc (Intertek) has been appointed by Cyngor Gwynedd Council (**CGC**) to prepare the ML application and to support early engagement with statutory consultees and other interested parties.

Early engagement has been carried out with consultees and stakeholders to inform the development of the project and the scope of supporting environmental assessments. This consultation has sought to identify key sensitivities, potential issues, and relevant local knowledge at an early stage.

This summary outlines the stakeholders consulted, the feedback received, and how this feedback has been, or will be, considered in the ongoing design, assessment, and application process. It demonstrates a commitment to proportionate, transparent, and meaningful engagement in line with Natural Resources Wales (**NRW**) expectations.

1.1 Stakeholder Identification and Engagement

Relevant stakeholders were identified based on their regulatory responsibilities, potential interests in the proposed works, or likelihood of being affected by the project. This included statutory consultees, local authorities, and other interested parties.

Stakeholders were contacted as part of an early engagement exercise to inform them of the proposed ML application and to invite initial feedback. This approach aimed to ensure that key issues and sensitivities were identified at an early stage and could be considered within the developing design and assessment process.

A summary of the stakeholders contacted and responses received, is provided in Table 1-1.

1.2 Consultation Method

Engagement with stakeholders was undertaken through an initial email consultation exercise issued on 28th April 2026. The purpose of this communication was to:

- Inform stakeholder of the proposed maintenance dredging and disposal works at Pwllheli Marina;
- Provide an overview of the ML application process; and
- Invite early feedback on potential environmental sensitivities, constraints, and relevant local knowledge.

All communications were issued bilingually (English and Welsh) to ensure accessibility to all consultees. A copy of the consultation letter is provided in Appendix A.1.

Stakeholders were provided with:

- A brief description of the proposed works (location, nature of dredging, and disposal approach);
- Details of the proposed disposal location and its proximity to designated sites; and
- A request for information on environmental sensitivities, marine uses, navigation considerations, and any relevant local data or activities.

Consultees were given a four-week period (28th April – 28th May 2026) to respond. A follow-up email was issued on 26th May to prompt responses where required. All consultation responses received have been reviewed and used to inform the development of the project and supporting environmental assessments.

Table 1-1 List of Consultees

Consultee	Description	Contacted?	Response?
Plas Heli	Welsh National Sailing Academy and Events Centre in Pwllheli	Yes	Yes
Clwb Hwylio Pwllheli Sailing Club	Pwllheli Sailing Club	Yes	Yes
Cymdeithas Cychod Angorfeydd Marina Pwllheli	Pwllheli Marina Berth Holders' Association representative	Yes	Yes
Cymdeithas Masnachwyr Môrrol Pwllheli	Pwllheli Maritime Traders Association	Yes	No
Bad Achub Pwllheli – Coxwain / Mechanic	Royal National Lifeboat Institution (**RNLI**) Pwllheli - Coxwain/Mechanic	Yes	No
Bad Achub Pwllheli – LOM	RNLI Pwllheli - Lifeboat Operations Manager	Yes	No
Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru – Marine Licence	NRW - Marine Licence, Marine Area Advice and General Enquiries	Yes	Yes
Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru – Marine Area Advice		Yes	Yes
Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru – Cyffredinol		Yes	Yes
Trinity House	General Lighthouse Authority for England, Wales, the Channel Islands, and Gibraltar, dedicated to maritime safety and the welfare of seafarers.	Yes	Yes
Crown Estate (via Jones Peckover)	Firm of Chartered Surveyors, Valuers, Auctioneers, and Estate Agents, with strong representation across Wales.	Yes	Yes
Maritime and Coastguard Agency (**MCA**)	Executive agency of the UK government, responsible for implementing maritime safety and environmental policies.	Yes	Yes
Gwynedd Archaeology Service	Gwynedd Archaeological Trust - Archaeological organisation established in 1974 (dissolution in 2024) which was merged with three other Welsh Archaeological Trusts to create Heneb.	Yes	Yes
Comisiwn Brenhinol Henebion Cymru	The Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales (**RCAHMW**) - Government sponsored body.	Yes	Yes
Bioamrywiaeth Cyngor Gwynedd	Nature Gwynedd Biodiversity Action Plan - Local Biodiversity Action Plan (**LBAP**) for Gwynedd outside the Snowdonia National Park.	Yes	Yes

Consultee	Description	Contacted?	Response?
Welsh Fishermen Association	Organization that represents Welsh fishermen and collaborates with the Welsh Government and other stakeholders to ensure sustainable and profitable fisheries.	Yes	No
Project Seagrass	Global marine conservation organization dedicated to the conservation of seagrass ecosystems.	Yes	Yes
Cadw	Historic environment service of the Welsh Government.	Yes	Yes

2. CONSULTATION OUTCOMES

2.1 Consultation Response Overview

Responses were received from 14 of the 17 consultees (78%), including key regulatory bodies, technical organisations and local stakeholders.

Feedback received in response to the early engagement exercise was constructive, with no objections raised. Key issues identified related to environmental considerations, navigation and operational requirements. The main themes arising from the consultation are summarised below, with full responses provided in Appendix A.2.

2.1.1 Designated Sites and Environmental Assessment

Several consultees, including NRW and CGC, highlighted the importance of assessing potential impacts on designated sites. Particular emphasis was placed on the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation (**SAC**), as well as nearby sites including the Northern Cardigan Bay Special Protection Area (**SPA**) and local Sites of Special Scientific Interest (**SSSIs**). NRW noted that, as the works will be subject to a ML application, any potential effects on these designated sites, including the SSSIs, will be considered through the ML determination process and consultation with the relevant bodies. Therefore, separate consent or assent for the SSSIs is not anticipated to be required.

Consultees advised that all potential effects on designated features and habitats should be assessed through the Habitat Regulations Assessment (**HRA**) process, including consideration of sediment deposition and transport.

2.1.2 Marine Ecology and Sensitive Receptors

Concerns were raised regarding potential impacts on sensitive habitats and species, including reefs, shallow bays, and mobile species such as marine mammals. Specific reference was also made to ongoing seagrass restoration activities in the surrounding area.

2.1.3 Navigation and Marine Use

Feedback from the MCA and local stakeholders highlighted the importance of maintaining safe navigation during the works. Consultees noted that recognised good practice guidance should be followed and that potential temporary disruption should be appropriately managed.

Local users indicated that, while some disruption may occur, the works are necessary to maintain safe and viable access to the marina. It was also noted that activity levels during the proposed works period are likely to be lower than during peak summer months.

2.1.4 Archaeology and Historic Environment

Historic environment consultees, including RCAHMW, Heneb, and Cadw, raised no significant objections to the proposed works. However, it was recommended that potential impacts on previously unidentified archaeological material should be considered, and that the outcomes of sediment dispersion modelling be reviewed.

It was also noted that increased sedimentation may provide a beneficial effect by enhancing the burial and protection of archaeological material.

2.1.5 Stakeholder Support and Operational Need

Local stakeholders, including marina users and representatives, expressed strong support for the proposed dredging works, highlighting the importance of maintaining adequate water depths for the operation and long-term viability of Pwllheli Marina.

2.2 Non-responses

Three stakeholders did not provide a response within the consultation period (28th April – 28th May 2026). These included Pwllheli Maritime Traders Association, RNLI, and the Welsh Fishermen's Association.

Consultees were given a one-month period to respond and were provided with relevant project information to support their review. Welsh language correspondence or engagement adjustments were offered where required. A follow-up email was issued on 26th May 2026 to provide further opportunity for input.

3. PROJECT RESPONSE TO CONSULTATION

Feedback received during the consultation process has been carefully reviewed and used to inform the development of the project and the scope of the supporting assessments. Table 3-1 provides a summary of the key issues raised by consultees, alongside the project response and the resulting outcome, with full responses provided in Appendix A.2.

Table 3-1 Summary of Issues Raised and Project Responses

Issue Raised	Consultee	Project Response	Outcome
Potential impact on designated sites (e.g. SAC, SPA, SSSIs)	NRW; CGC	All identified designated sites will be included in the ML application and assessed through the HRA process.	Designated features will be fully assessed, ensuring compliance with legislation.
Potential impacts on harbour porpoises and marine mammals	NRW; Project Seagrass	Marine mammals will be included in environmental assessments, including consideration of nearby SACs.	Potential impacts will be identified and mitigated, ensuring protection of marine mammals and compliance with relevant regulations.
Sediment transport and deposition on sensitive habitats	NRW; CGC; Project Seagrass	Dredge plume modelling is underway and will be used to assess dispersion and deposition patterns.	Dredge plume modelling will enable targeted mitigation to protect sensitive habitats.
Potential impacts on seagrass restoration areas	Project Seagrass	Seagrass restoration areas will be included in the environmental assessment, with indirect impacts considered.	Potential risks will be identified early and minimised, supporting the success of ongoing restoration efforts.
Need for robust ecological baseline and cumulative effects assessment	Project Seagrass	Baseline ecological data and cumulative effects will be incorporated into the assessment.	A robust evidence base will support decision-making and the impact evaluation.
Navigation safety during works	MCA; Plas Heli	Relevant guidance and good practice will be adopted, with navigational planning incorporated into the design.	Navigational risks will be minimised, ensuring safe vessel movement and operations.
Temporary disruption to marine users	Plas Heli	Timing and operational constraints will be considered to minimise disruption to marina users.	Disruption will be reduced through planning, maintaining use of the marina during works.
Need for continued marina access and dredging to maintain viability	Pwllheli Marina Beth Holders' Association	Stakeholder concerns will be recognised and incorporated into project justification.	N/A
Potential impacts on archaeological material	RCAHMW	Modelling outputs will be reviewed in relation to archaeological receptors and procedures for unexpected discoveries will be followed.	Archaeological assets will be protected, with appropriate procedures in place to manage any unexpected finds.
Potential disturbance to unknown archaeological remains	RCAHMW	Dredging activities will be confirmed as consistent with historic practices. PAD not required, but guidance will be adhered to.	Low archaeological risk will be managed, ensuring protection if previously unknown remains are encountered.

Issue Raised	Consultee	Project Response	Outcome
General archaeological and heritage concerns	Heneb; Cadw	No Significant impacts are anticipated based on historic dredging activity.	N/A
Requirements for adherence to marine navigation guidance	MCA	Relevant guidance documents (e.g. BMAPA good practice) will be followed.	Alignment with industry best practice will ensure safe project delivery.
Requirement for agreement relating to disposal (commercial considerations)	The Crown Estate	Consultation will continue and any required arrangements will be made.	N/A

4. CONCLUSION

The consultation process has provided valuable input from statutory consultees, technical stakeholders, and local representatives, with no fundamental objections raised to the proposed works. Feedback has highlighted key environmental sensitivities, particularly in relation to designated sites, marine ecology, and sediment dispersion, as well as important navigation and operational considerations.

This information has been used to inform the development of the project and the scope of the supporting environmental assessments, ensuring that potential impacts are appropriately identified and addressed. Where relevant, mitigation measures and further assessment have been incorporated into the ML application process. Ongoing engagement will continue as required as the project progresses.

APPENDIX A

A.1 CONSULTATION LETTER

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Gwaith Carthu a Gwaredu Cyngor Gwynedd, Marina Pwllheli – Ymgysylltiad Cynnar

Annwyl Ymgynghorai,

Gobeithio eich bod yn iawn. Rydym yn ysgrifennu ar ran Cyngor Gwynedd i'ch hysbysu am gais Trwydded Forol sydd ar ddod yn ymwneud â gwaredu deunydd o waith carthu gofalaeth ym Marina Pwllheli. Fel rhanddeiliad lleol, rydym yn gwerthfawrogi eich ymwybyddiaeth o'r prosiect ac yn croesawu mewnbwn cynnar.

Yn hanesyddol, mae Marina Pwllheli wedi cael gwaith carthu gofalaeth o dan Ddeddf Harbwr Pwllheli 1983, gyda deunydd a garthwyd yn cael ei ddyddodi mewn basn llonyddu. Yn dilyn y gwaith diweddaraf yn 2024, mae'r basn llonyddu wedi cyrraedd ei chynhwysedd ac mae llenwi diweddar wedi arwain at gyfaint mwy sydd angen symud.

O ganlyniad, mae Cyngor Gwynedd yn bwriadu cynnal gwaith carthu gofalaeth yng Ngwanwyn 2027 i adfer y dyfnderoedd dŵr gofynnol o fewn y basn a'r sianeli mynediad. Wedi hynny, cynigir gwaith carthu gofalaeth flynyddol reolaidd i ddarparu rheolaeth marina cynaliadwy hirdymor. Mae'r gwaith hwn yn angenrheidiol er mwyn sicrhau mynediad diogel a dibynadwy i gychod ac i gefnogi gweithrediadau parhaus. Cynigir gwaredu'r deunydd a garthwyd ym Mae Abererch allanol ar drai, gan ganiatáu gwasgariad naturiol. Ni fydd yr ardal waredu arfaethedig yn ymestyn mwy na 200 metr y tu hwnt i enau'r harbwr a bydd wedi'i lleoli o fewn Ardal Cadwraeth Arbennig (ACA) Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau. Mae Intertek Metoc yn cynnal astudiaeth modelu ffrwd carthu i ddeall effeithiau posibl ar Fae Abererch a'r amgylchedd ehangach.

Er mwyn cynnal y gwaith gwaredu deunydd a garthwyd arfaethedig, bydd angen Trwydded Forol ar Gyngor Gwynedd gan Gyfoeth Naturiol Cymru o dan Ddeddf y Môr a Mynediad i'r Arfordir 2009. Mae Intertek Metoc wedi'i benodi i baratoi'r Drwydded Forol a chefnogi ymgysylltiad cynnar ag ymgyngoreion statudol a phartïon eraill â diddordeb. Bwriad hyn yw llywio'r dull arfaethedig ar gyfer yr asesiadau a fydd yn cefnogi'r cais am Drwydded Forol, a'u cwmpas. Mae ymgysylltiad cynnar yn sicrhau bod y broses asesu amgylcheddol yn gadarn, yn gymesur, ac yn cael ei llywio gan wybodaeth leol. Rydym felly'n awyddus i rannu gwybodaeth am y gweithgaredd arfaethedig a chasglu unrhyw ystyriaethau perthnasol.

Byddem yn croesawu unrhyw sylwadau neu fewnwelediadau cychwynnol a allai fod gennych ynghylch:

- Sensitifrwydd amgylcheddol lleol neu nodweddion dynodedig;
- Buddiannau cymunedol neu bryderon lleol;
- Ystyriaethau llywio, mynediad, neu weithredol;
- Unrhyw weithgareddau neu ddigwyddiadau lleol sydd ar y gweill a allai fod yn berthnasol; ac
- Dulliau cyfathrebu parhaus a ffafrir wrth i'r prosiect fynd rhagddo.

Gellir cyflwyno sylwadau drwy e-bost i: **metoc.consents@intertek.com**.
Gofynnwn yn garedig am ymatebion erbyn **28 Mai 2026**.
Diolch am eich amser ac am ymgysylltu â ni yn y cyfnod cynnar hwn. Edrychwn ymlaen at glywed gennych.

Yn gywir,

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Cyngor Gwynedd Council Dredge & Disposal Operation Pwllheli Marina – Early Engagement

Dear Consultee,

I hope you are well. We are writing on behalf of Cyngor Gwynedd Council (CGC) to inform you of an upcoming Marine Licence (ML) application relating to the proposed disposal of material from maintenance dredging at Pwllheli Marina. As a local stakeholder, we value your awareness of the project and welcome early input.

Historically, Pwllheli Marina has undergone maintenance dredging under the Pwllheli Harbour Act 1983, with dredged material deposited in a stilling basin. Following the most recent dredging works in 2024, the stilling basin has reached capacity and recent infilling has resulted in a larger volume of material now requiring removal.

As a result, CGC is proposing to undertake a maintenance dredge in Spring 2027 to restore the required water depths within the basin and access channels. Thereafter, regular annual maintenance dredging is proposed to provide long-term, sustainable marina management. These works are necessary for safe and reliable access for vessels and to support ongoing operations. The dredged material is proposed to be deposited in the outer Abererch Bay on an ebb tide, allowing for natural dispersion. The proposed disposal area will not extend more than 200 metres beyond the harbour mouth and will be located within the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation (SAC). Intertek Metoc is undertaking a dredge plume modelling study to understand potential effects on Abererch Bay and the wider environment.

To undertake the proposed deposit of dredged material, CGC will require a ML from Natural Resources Wales (NRW) under the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009. Intertek Metoc has been appointed to prepare the ML and support early engagement with statutory consultees and other interested parties. This is intended to inform the proposed approach to, and scope of, the assessments that will support the ML application. Early engagement ensures that the environmental assessment process is robust, proportionate, and informed by local knowledge. We are therefore keen to share information on the proposed activity and gather any relevant considerations.

We would welcome any initial comments or insights you may have regarding:

- Local environmental sensitivities or designated features;
- Community interests or local concerns;
- Navigation, access, or operational considerations;
- Any upcoming local activities or events that may be relevant; and
- Preferred methods of ongoing communication as the project progresses.

Comments may be submitted via email to: **metoc.consents@intertek.com**

We kindly request that responses are provided by **28 May 2026**.

Thank you for your time and for engaging with us at this early stage. We look forward to hearing from you.

Yours sincerely,

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A.2 CONSULTATION RESPONSES

Table A-1 Consultation Responses and Intertek Metoc Actions

Consultee	Comment	Intertek Metoc Actions
RCAHMW	RCAHMW generally has no objection to the scheme. However, this is dependent on the results of modelling of dispersed material distribution and the potential impacts on archaeological sites in the surrounding area. In general, increased sedimentation is considered beneficial for archaeological material, as it can enhance site protection through burial.	Ensure the Marine Licence application notes that increased sedimentation is generally considered a positive outcome for the protection of archaeological material.
	RCAHMW acknowledges that the dredging activity does not form part of the licence application. However, the activity has the potential to impact previously unknown archaeological material. RCAHMW would be grateful if Cyngor Gwynedd would consider adopting a Protocol for Archaeological Discoveries (PAD) to cover the work and to offer guidance in the event of any unexpected archaeological material.	Further discussion with RCAHMW confirmed that Intertek Metoc is not required to contact Coracle Archaeology to commission a Protocol for Archaeological Discoveries (PAD), as the proposed dredging levels do not exceed historic dredging activity. RCAHMW welcomed the continued communication and advised that the attached PAD may be used for general information and guidance purposes only but does not require formal adoption.
NRW – Marine Advice	NRW notes that the proposed disposal location is within the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau SAC, as previously identified, and further highlights that it is located within a few kilometres of the Northern Cardigan Bay SPA. NRW advises that potential impacts on the qualifying features of both designated sites should be considered.	Include the Northern Cardigan Bay SPA within the Marine Licence application, alongside the previously identified Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau SAC, and assess potential impacts on the qualifying features of both designated sites.
	NRW recommends that potential effects on nearby harbour porpoise SACs are assessed.	Ensure potential impacts on harbour porpoise are considered, including any implications for nearby harbour porpoise SACs.
	NRW recognises there are two SSSIs in the proximity of Pwllheli Bay (1) Mynydd Tir y Cwmwd a'r Glannau at Garreg yr Imbill SSSI and (2) Glanllynnau a Glannau Penychain I Gricieth SSSI. Any possible impacts from the sediment settlement should be considered.	Ensure potential impacts on both SSSIs are considered.

Consultee	Comment	Intertek Metoc Actions
Plas Heli	Plas Heli raises no concerns in relation to local environmental sensitivities. They are aware of the interests of berth holders and local water-based clubs and anticipate that these stakeholders will be broadly supportive of the proposed works.	N/A
	Plas Heli assumes that navigational considerations will be incorporated into the planning of the works, with navigation maintained at all times, while acknowledging that some temporary disruption may be necessary for operational purposes. They also note that vessel movements (activities) involving entry to and exit from the harbour and beach will occur during the spring period, but at a lower level than typically experienced during the summer months.	Ensure navigational considerations are fully incorporated into the planning of the works, with recognition that limited and temporary disruption may be required for operational purposes. When assessing potential impacts on local clubs and users, note that activity levels during the works will be lower than those typically experienced during the summer season.
CGC	Cyngor Gwynedd Council notes that the operation area forms part of the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau Special Area of Conservation (SAC). Therefore, all potential effects on the SAC must be assessed through the Habitats Regulations Assessment (HRA) process.	Ensure HRA assesses all potential effects of the proposed operations on the Pen Llŷn a'r Sarnau SAC, and ensure the findings are clearly documented within the Marine Licence application.
	Cyngor Gwynedd Council highlights the presence of two Site of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) designations: Mynydd Tir y Cwmwd and Shores at Garreg yr Imbill, and Morfa Abererch. The primary concern relates to the potential for dredged material suspended in seawater to be deposited on, or transported into, sensitive habitats.	Ensure the presence of the Mynydd Tir y Cwmwd and Shores at Garreg yr Imbill SSSI, and the Morfa Abererch SSSI, is acknowledged within the Marine Licence application. Assess the potential for dredged material suspended in seawater to be deposited on, or transported into, sensitive habitats, informed by the dredge plume modelling results, and include appropriate mitigation where required.
MCA	The MCA provides a series of conditions and advisories to ensure the safety of navigation can be maintained during the construction and decommissioning of the works, and during the site operational phase.	Ensure that all relevant Maritime and Coastguard Agency (MCA) general guidance documents, including the agreed Guide to Good Practice for Ensuring Navigation Safety during Aggregate Dredging Operations, are reviewed and referenced as appropriate within the Marine Licence application and project planning.
	The MCA would like to ensure that the applicant is aware of the Guide to good practice for ensuring navigation safety during aggregate dredging operations that has been formalised between the British Marine Aggregate Producers Association (BMAPA), MCA and Trinity House.	

Consultee	Comment	Intertek Metoc Actions
	The MCA would like to point the applicant to the Good Practice Guidance, Extraction by Dredging of Aggregates from England's Seabed Operations, a BMAPA guidance document.	
Heneb	Heneb have no significant archaeological concerns, either for the initial work or future routine dredging and disposal.	N/A
Cadw	Cadw have no objection to the proposed development in regard to the scheduled monuments or registered historic parks and gardens listed in the assessment. The harbour area has been regularly dredged, and it is therefore unlikely that any maritime archaeological features will be impacted by the proposals. Likewise, dredging operations are part of the history of the area and therefore will not have any impact on the settings of the above designated historic assets.	N/A
Crown Estate	The Crown Estate have held a meeting with Gwynedd Council regarding the dredging proposals following the initial statutory consultation. In summary, The Crown Estate have no objections to the proposals albeit there will need to be an agreement reached with The Crown Estate dependent on if there is any commercial gain from the disposal of dredged material.	N/A
Trinity House	Trinity House has no concerns regarding these works.	N/A
Pwllheli Marina Berth Holders' Association representative	From a berth holder's perspective, dredging the marina is essential to its long-term viability. It is vital that all stakeholders are aligned on the urgency of this issue. Marina depths are continuing to decline, so dredging must be undertaken as soon as possible.	N/A
Project Seagrass	The proposed activity lies within the Llŷn and Sarnau SAC, which includes sensitive habitats (e.g. shallow inlets, reefs) and protected mobile species such as dolphins, seals and otters. The consultee highlighted nearby seagrass restoration areas (Carreg y Defaid and Penychain) and the need to consider potential impacts on these habitats. Key requirements include appropriate dredge plume modelling, robust ecological baseline data, assessment of cumulative effects, and development of suitable mitigation and monitoring measures.	Undertake a robust assessment of impacts within the Llŷn and Sarnau SAC, focusing on sensitive habitats (inlets, bays, reefs) and species (dolphins, seals, otters), and explicitly account for nearby seagrass restoration at Carreg y Defaid and Penychain. Apply appropriate dredge dispersion modelling, establish up-to-date ecological baselines, assess cumulative effects, and implement targeted mitigation and monitoring to avoid or minimise impacts.

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