

## MARINE AND COASTAL ACCESS ACT 2009: PART 4 – MARINE LICENSING

### Marine Licence: RML1922v1

The Natural Resources Body for Wales (“NRW”) acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority hereby authorise:

Natural Resources Wales  
Maes Y Ffynnon  
Penrhosgarnedd  
Bangor  
LL57 2DW

(Hereinafter referred to as “the Licence Holder”) to carry out construction works and deposit in the sea the substances or articles the particulars of which are set out at paragraph 1.1 of the attached Schedule. The Licence is subject to the conditions of use set out, or referred to, in the said Schedule.

This Licence shall be valid from the beginning of the day of **17 March 2020**, (hereinafter referred to as the start date of this Licence) to the end of the day of, **31 October 2024** (hereinafter referred to as the end or expiry date of this Licence).

This Licence RML1922v1 supersedes Licence RML1922 in its entirety.

For the purposes of this Licence and attached schedule and unless indicated otherwise:-

- (i) all times shall be taken to be Greenwich Mean Time (GMT), and,
- (ii) all co-ordinates shall be taken to be Ordnance Survey National Grid Reference OS (NGR)

Signed:



For and on behalf of the Licensing Authority

Date of issue: 17 March 2020

## SCHEDULE of CONDITIONS

### 1. Particulars of the works

- 1.1 The type of works for which the deposit of the substances or articles as specified in paragraph 1.4 of this Schedule are:

**Removal and redeposit of beach shingle material to realign the opening of the Afon Dysynni channel.**

- 1.2 Details of the works requiring the deposit of the substances or articles as specified at paragraph 1.1 of this Schedule are:-

**Removal and redeposit of beach shingle material to realign the opening of the Afon Dysynni channel, and subsequent maintenance of realigned channel to prevent blockages and manage flood risk.**

- 1.3. Such works are as detailed in the drawing(s) and sectional plan(s) detailed below which were submitted in support of the Licence Holder's application to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority dated **12 June 2019**.

**Drawing reference:**  
**AfonDysynni\_WorksSite**  
**AfonDysynni\_WorksSite\_OS**  
**AfonDysynni\_FutueMaintenance**  
**New Channel Profile**

- 1.4 The substances or articles authorised for deposit and removal at sea are:

**Removal and redeposit of Beach Shingle Material**

- 1.5. The Licence Holder and any Operator and Contractor acting on their behalf is permitted to deposit the substances or articles specified at paragraph 1.4 of this Schedule, at the following location(s):

**Afon Dysynni, Gwynedd, within the area bounded by joining the following points;**

| NGR            |
|----------------|
| SH 56113 03229 |
| SH 56104 03264 |
| SH 56111 03297 |
| SH 56143 03316 |
| SH 56194 03312 |
| SH 56242 03310 |
| SH 56213 03293 |
| SH 56175 03283 |

- 1.6. The works shall be carried out in accordance with the works schedule and method statement as detailed in the application form dated 12 June 2019, and as detailed in the following:

**Method Statement of works - (submitted on 10 June 2019)**  
**Description of Works (002) - (submitted on 10 June 2019)**

**2. Additional Persons Responsible for the Deposit of the Substances or Articles**

- 2.1 The Licence Holder must ensure that details of the Operator(s) and Contractor(s) utilised to undertake the works are submitted to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority prior to the commencement of works.
- 2.2 The Licence Holder must ensure that the details of the vehicles utilised to undertake the works are submitted to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority and Welsh Government Enforcement Officers prior to the commencement of the works.
- 2.3 Only those Operator(s) or Contractor(s) and vehicles whose details have been notified to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority may operate under the terms of this Licence. Any changes must be notified to and be approved by NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority in writing prior to operating under this Licence.

**3. Distribution of copies of this Licence**

- 3.1 The Licence Holder is required to ensure that a copy of this Licence and attached Schedule, any special conditions and any subsequent revisions or amendments thereto is given to:
  - 3.1.1. All Operator(s) and Contractor(s) whose names have been provided to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority and
- 3.2 Copies of this Licence shall also be available at the following locations:
  - 3.2.1 at the address of the Licence Holder;
  - 3.2.2 at any site office, located at or adjacent to the site of the works, used by the Licence Holder, operator(s) or contractors(s) responsible for the loading transportation or deposit of those substances or articles detailed at paragraph 1.4 of this Schedule; and,

**4. Inspection of the Operation**

- 4.1 The documents referred to in paragraph 3 shall be available at all reasonable times for inspection by officers appropriately authorised by NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers at the locations stated in that paragraph.
- 4.2 The Licence Holder must notify NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers at least **10 days** before the licensed operation, or an individual phase of the operation is expected to commence.

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- 4.3 The Licence Holder must notify NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers within **10 days** of completion of the works.
- 4.4 The Licence Holder must allow officers of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Officer or any other person authorised by NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority to inspect the works at any reasonable time.

## **5. Contacts**

- 5.1 Except where otherwise indicated, the primary point of contact with the Licensing Authority and the address for returns and correspondence shall be:-

**Marine Licensing Team  
Natural Resources Wales  
Permitting Service  
29 Newport Road  
Cambria House  
Cardiff  
CF24 0TP**

**Email: [marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk](mailto:marinelicensing@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk)**

- 5.2 For the purposes of this Licence any references to Marine Enforcement Officers shall mean the relevant officers located at:-

**Welsh Government  
Suite 3  
Cedar Court  
Haven's Head Business Park  
Milford Haven Pembrokeshire  
SA73 3LS**

**Tel: 03000253500**

**Email: [MilfordHavenFisheriesOffice@gov.wales](mailto:MilfordHavenFisheriesOffice@gov.wales)**

## **6. Force Majeure**

- 6.1 If, by reason of "force majeure" the substances or articles specified at sub-paragraph 1.4 of this Schedule, are deposited otherwise than in the area authorised by this Licence at paragraph 1.5, full details of the circumstances shall be notified to NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority within **48 hours** of the incident occurring.

"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.

## **7. Changes to this Licence**

- 7.1 In the event of the Licence Holder becoming aware that any of the information on which the granting of this Licence was based has changed or is likely to change, he/she shall notify NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority at the earliest opportunity of the details.
- 7.2 Similarly in the event that the Licence Holder wishes any of the particulars set down in the Schedule to be altered he/she shall inform NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority at the earliest opportunity before taking any further action.

## **8. Project Specific Conditions**

- 8.1 The Licence Holder must ensure that the works are maintained in a safe condition that does not represent a danger to the environment, or other marine users, at all times.
- 8.2 The Licence Holder must ensure that local mariners and fishermen's organisations are made fully aware of the activity through local notices to mariners 5 days prior to the commencement of the works.
- 8.3 The Licence Holder must ensure bunding and storage facilities are installed to contain and prevent the release of fuel, oils and chemicals associated with the plant, refuelling and construction equipment into the marine environment
- 8.4 The Licence Holder must ensure that HM Coastguard is made aware of the works prior to commencement by contacting The National Maritime Operations Centre: nmoccontroller@hmcg.gov.uk.
- 8.5 The Licence Holder must ensure that pollution prevention best practice is adhered to at all times. Any incidents must be reported to Natural Resources Wales using their hotline number **0300 065 3000**; NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority must also be notified at the earliest possible date.
- 8.6 The Licence Holder must ensure that plant, vehicles and machinery are not refuelled on the foreshore.
- 8.7 The Licence Holder must ensure all equipment, materials, machinery and PPE used are in a clean condition prior to their arrival on site, and upon removal from site, to minimise risk of introducing non-native species into the marine environment.
- 8.8 The Licence Holder must ensure that any artefacts accidentally disturbed or recovered during operations are retained. The location from which the artefact was recovered must be recorded and reported immediately to: Royal Commission on the Ancient and Historical Monuments of Wales and Dyfed Archaeological Trust.
- 8.9 The Licence Holder must ensure the best method of practice is used to minimise re-suspension of sediment during the works.
- 8.10 The Licence Holder must ensure that no works take place between 1 April and 30 June inclusive, to reduce impacts on salmon and sea trout smolts and

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adult migratory fish, without prior written approval from NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority.

- 8.11 The Licence Holder must ensure that all equipment, temporary structures, access tracks, waste and/or debris associated with the works are removed on completion of the works.

## EXPLANATORY NOTES

*This page does not form part of this Licence **RML1922v1** or its associated schedule but the licence holder is recommended to read the following guidance notes.*

1. The granting of this licence does not absolve the Licence Holder from obtaining such other authorisations, consents and approvals which may be required under any other legislation, controls or regulations.
2. Under Section 72 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority may vary or revoke this Licence if it appears to the NRW that the Licence Holder is in breach of any conditions in it or for any other reason that appears to NRW to be relevant.
3. A person who contravenes Section 65 (1) of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, or fails to comply with any condition of a Marine Licence, commits an offence under Part 4, Chapter 3, Section 85 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009.
4. It is a defence, Under Part 4, Chapter 3, Section 86 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, for a person charged with an offence under Section 85 (1) to prove that:
  - a) the activity was carried out for the purpose of securing the safety of a vessel, aircraft or marine structure or for the purpose of securing life, and,
  - b) that he/she took steps within reasonable time following the incident to inform NRW acting on behalf of the Licensing Authority of:
    - (i) the fact that the activity was carried out,
    - (ii) the locality and circumstances in which it was carried out, and
    - (iii) any substance or objects concerned.
5. If the works authorised by this Licence are unlikely to be completed by the expiry date of this licence, the Licence Holder should apply for a replacement licence **at least 4 months** prior to the expiry date of this Licence.