

Record of meeting

Project title	Central Rhyl Coastal Defences
Subject	Update to NRW marine licence team
Location	Remote Teams Meeting
Date/time of meeting	29/07/21 11.30 to 12:00
Project number	100420823
Attendees	Jodie Pullen (Natural Resources Wales) Wayne Hope (Denbighshire County Council) Ian Beckett (Balfour Beatty Civil Engineering Ltd) Nicholas Price (Mott MacDonald) Matt Cowle (Mott MacDonald) Christopher Clarke (Mott MacDonald) Victoria Deakin (Mott MacDonald)

Apologies

Recorded by	Victoria Deakin
Distribution	Attendees plus apologies

Item	Text	Action
1	Introduction and Objectives Victoria Deakin introduced the meeting and outlined the key objective as follows; • Provide an update on the Scheme and the programme	
2	Scheme Update and Discussion Victoria Deakin provided an update on the scheme programme and indicated that the Marine Licence and associated documents would be submitted to NRW in early September. However, there is still a drive within the project team to get it issued earlier in late August as previously discussed. Jodie Pullen advised that the sooner the document can be submitted the better however the quality of the document should not be impacted as a result of this. Jodie Pullen confirmed there was no longer a need to send in 16 hard copies of the Marine Licence and associated documents. The online submission will suffice. A discussion was had on the timelines for NRW review and the WG CRMP funding deadlines. Jodie Pullen advised that NRW are not able to provide an indication of timescales for issue of the Marine Licence. However, by having early engagement with consultees and addressing	MML to action

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	their comments before submission this should make the process smoother. Jodie Pullen acknowledged that NRW appreciate this is a high profile flood and coastal erosion scheme. Jodie Pullen advised that she was not aware of any resourcing concerns for consultees at present which could hold up the licence application. Jodie Pullen asked if there were any concerns with coastal squeeze for this Scheme. Wayne Hope confirmed that this has been addressed with NRW and should not be a blocker. Wayne Hope questioned what would happen if a consultee does not respond within the required time period. Jodie Pullen advised that if there is no request for an extension and they do not provide any responses this is seen as acceptance. Wayne Hope asked Jodie Pullen if there was any feedback on programmes that was able to be provided back to WG. Jodie Pullen advised that NRW have monthly meetings with WG which cover the CRMP funding. Any issues would be flagged by Wendy Dodds (NRW) in these meetings. Jodie Pullen indicated that currently NRW have 21 days to review and validate the Marine Licence application and request any additional supporting information. A public notice is required to be placed in newspapers once the Marine Licence application has been submitted to NRW. However, there is now no longer a requirement for a hard copy to be placed in a public place owing to Covid-19 restrictions. Instead, it will be placed on NRW's website. Once MML have a date for the newspaper notice they are to advise NRW so the notice on the website can go on at the same time to allow the consultations to run in parallel. Jodie Pullen advised that she is on leave till 10 August. Victoria Deakin to set up a meeting to discuss any updates if required during this week.	Jodie Pullen to feedback any concerns to WD Victoria Deakin to issue public notice when licence has been submitted and liaise with NRW Victoria Deakin to set up meeting