

Our Case Number: ACP-324230-26



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Pleanála**

Planning and Environmental Decisions Wales
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Date: 05 May 2026

Re: The proposed installation of the Beaufort sub-sea fibre optic cable system from the terminus of works under the granted Foreshore Licence [FS007361] at the 12 nautical mile (nM) limit to the extent of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ) off the coast of Kilmore Quay, Co. Wexford.
(www.beaufortcableprojectmarineplanningapplication.com)

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún Pleanála has received an application for permission under section 291 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended for the above-mentioned development.

The Commission is of the opinion that the proposed development to which the application for permission relates would be likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary State.

The Commission notified the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage in the Republic of Ireland regarding the above-mentioned application for permission. (copy of correspondence enclosed).

The Commission is now initiating contact with you to enter into consultations in accordance with Article 126 of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001, as amended.

In this regard, please note the following details:

- (a) Description of the proposed development: The proposed installation of the Beaufort sub-sea fibre optic cable system from the terminus of works under the granted Foreshore Licence [FS007361] at the 12 nautical mile (nM) limit to the extent of the Exclusive Economic Zone (EEZ).
- (b) An environmental impact assessment report has been submitted with the application.
- (c) An Coimisiún Pleanála is the competent authority responsible for making the decision.
- (d) The Commission may in respect of an application for permission decide to:

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- i. Grant permission for the proposed development,
- ii. make modifications to the proposed development,
- iii. Grant permission in part only the proposed development (with or without modifications),
- iv. refuse to grant permission for the proposed development.

(e) A decision will not be taken by the Commission until the views, if any, of the transboundary state has been received or the consultations are otherwise complete.

(f) Please indicate to the Commission if you wish to take part in the decision-making procedures in relation to the proposed development.

(g) If it is your intention to take part in the decision-making procedures, the Commission will furnish you with a copy of the environmental impact assessment report and any other relevant information.

Your response to this notice should be received within five weeks from the date of this letter i.e. **on or before the 9th June 2026**. I would be grateful if you would acknowledge receipt of this letter.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter, please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,



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