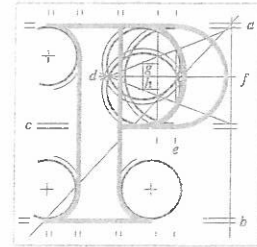


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Brendan Rudden
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8th March 2022

Re:
Galway Harbour Extension
Renmore and Townparks Townlands, Galway

Dear Sir,

Further to your email request on 7th March 2022, please find enclosed a copy of letter which issued to the NPWS on the 1st March 2022 for information purposes only.

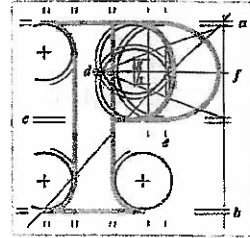
Yours faithfully,

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National Parks and Wildlife Service
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T12 D6CH

1st March 2022

Re:
Galway Harbour Extension
Renmore and Townparks Townlands, Galway

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to your email dated 22nd February, 2022.

The Board acknowledges the comments made by the Department in its letter dated 3rd August 2021 in relation to the reference in its Board Decision to the impacts of the previously developed Galway Harbour Enterprise Park on the integrity of the Galway Bay Complex SAC.

Having reflected on the matter and the points raised, the Board can confirm that the focus of its assessment will be solely on the scope and adequacy of the compensatory measures proposed in respect of the adverse effects that will arise from the proposed development of the harbour extension, and will not be basing its assessment on any compensatory measures to address earlier habitats impacts or losses arising from previous developments in the general area, but not associated with the proposed development before the Board for consideration. We have communicated this approach to the applicant who we understand will be reviewing and revising its documentation on foot of the further engagement with the National Parks and Wildlife Service and will take account of this approach in this regard.

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

Yours faithfully,

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Sarah Caulfield

From: Brendan Rudden <Brendan.Rudden@tobin.ie>
Sent: Monday 7 March 2022 09:45
To: Niamh Thornton
Subject: FW: Letter from NPWS to ABP in relation to Galway Port Compensatory measures
Attachments: Letter to ABP on scope of compensation 22Feb2022.pdf; Letter on Galway Port updated 03082021 Signed.pdf

Dear Niamh,

Hope you are well.

Thank you very much for confirmation of the extension of time for the PA0033 Galway Harbour response.

We are in receipt of a copy of the attached letter from NPWS to ABP as part of our ongoing interactions with NPWS.

It is our understanding that we will be required to reference the response / outcome of the clarification(s), in our response, for completeness and as it may affect our response.

On that basis, we are just wondering if a response has issued from ABP to NPWS?

If so, would we be able to see a copy of same, please, for reasons above?

If you wish to discuss, I am available on mobile 087-6989364.

Thank you,

Brendan

From: Cliona OBrien (Housing) <Cliona.OBrien@housing.gov.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 22 February 2022 15:26
To: Brendan Rudden <Brendan.Rudden@tobin.ie>
Subject: FYI: Letter from NPWS to ABP in relation to Galway Port Compensatory measures

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Brendan,

I have just issued the letter to the Board in relation to the compensatory measures scope clarification. The letter and email were copied to Conor O'Dowd as well, but I had promised to forward on to you as well when it was discussed.

Talk later

Cliona

From: Cliona OBrien (Housing)
Sent: Tuesday 22 February 2022 15:25
To: 'Niamh Thornton' <n.thornton@pleanala.ie>
Cc: Andy Bleasdale (Housing) <Andy.Bleasdale@housing.gov.ie>; Aoife Delaney <Aoife.Delaney@housing.gov.ie>; David Lyons (Housing) <David.Lyons@housing.gov.ie>; 'Conor O'Dowd' <codowd@theportofgalway.com>
Subject: Letter from NPWS to ABP in relation to Galway Port Compensatory measures

Dear Niamh

Please find attached a copy of the letter referenced above, as well as the correspondence referred to within it.

We'd appreciate the clarification requested at the Board's earliest convenience, as we have not yet received it in relation to the August correspondence which was forwarded on to you by colleagues in the Planning Section in this Department.

Thanks in advance,

Cliona

Please note that my email address has changed to Cliona.OBrien@housing.gov.ie

Cliona O'Brien
Wildlife Inspector, Grade 1

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