

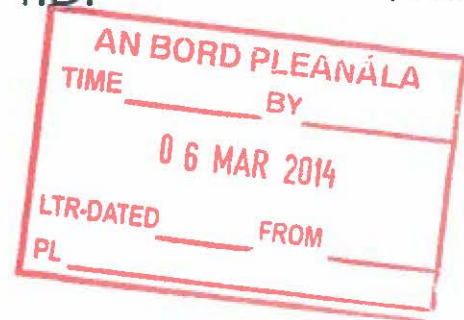


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Re: Planning Application for Planning by Galway Harbour Company

A Chara,

I refer to the above planning application. I would like to express my observation on the application by Galway Harbour Company for planning permission for the development of an extension to Galway Harbour at Renmore and Townparks townlands and on lands to be reclaimed from the foreshore and the sea in Galway Bay, to the south of the existing of Galway Harbour Enterprise Park.

I would like to observe this application as follows;

1. Because of the importance of ports to Ireland as an island nation and the lack of suitable developed ports in the west of Ireland. The fact is that Galway harbour at present is unsuitable for modern ships, due to its tidal nature and its lack of space and deep water berths.
2. I believe that if the planning that has been applied for were given, it would facilitate the orderly development of the harbour area and it would also facilitate the harbour reaching its potential, both as a commercial port, an attractive stopover in the heart of an old city for cruise liners and the development of the inner harbour for leisure craft, etc.

Having examined the application I believe that the basic trust of the application is in the interest of Galway.

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