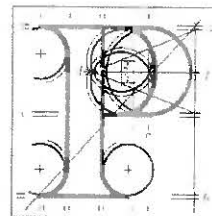


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EIA Planning
Water, Energy & Business Support Programme
Environmental Protection Agency
PO Box 3000
Johnstown Castle Estate
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Date: 11 February 2025

Re: Galway Harbour Extension
Renmore and Townparks Townlands, Galway

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

The Board will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Lauren Griffin
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Direct Line: 01-8737244

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Lauren Griffin

From: Lauren Griffin
Sent: Thursday 6 February 2025 13:04
To: eiaplanning@epa.ie
Subject: RE: PA0033 Galway Harbour Extension - EPA - Notice of Further Information on SID Case with ABP

A Chara,

The Board acknowledges receipt of your email, official correspondence will issue in due course.

Kind regards,

Lauren

From: EIAPanning <eiaplanning@epa.ie>
Sent: Wednesday, February 5, 2025 12:10 PM
To: Bord <bord@pleanala.ie>; SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Subject: PA0033 Galway Harbour Extension - EPA - Notice of Further Information on SID Case with ABP

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An Bord Pleanala Ref: 61.PA0033

Galway Harbour Company - extension of 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 Galway Harbour Enterprise Park

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to correspondence received by the EPA on 6th December 2024 from consultants on behalf of Galway Harbour Company requesting comments on the Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) application and Environmental Impact Statement (EIS) for the above referenced development. The Agency makes the below observations to An Bord Pleanala.

The development may require a Waste licence under the Waste Management Act 1996 as amended, or an Industrial Emissions licence under the EPA Act 1992 as amended. The Agency has not received a licence application relating to the development described above.

The planning application documentation states that '*Elements of the development will require a Waste Licence, a Waste Water Discharge Licence and a Foreshore Licence / Lease*'. It is unclear what elements of the development would require a Waste Water Discharge Licence from the EPA. Only discharges from sewerage systems owned, managed and operated by Uisce Eireann require authorisation from the EPA (under the European Union (Waste Water Discharge) Regulations 2007, as amended).

The Agency advises that a dumping at sea permit is required in the event that any deliberate disposal of a substance or material in the maritime area, as defined in Section 1 of the Dumping at Sea Act 1996 as amended, is proposed.

It is noted that the planning application was accompanied by an EIS. Should the Agency receive a licence application for the development, the applicant will be required to submit the associated EIS to the Agency as part of the licence application. The EIS will be considered and assessed by the Agency and the Agency shall ensure that before the licence is granted, the licence application will be made subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency and in accordance with Section 83(2A) and Section 87(1G)(a) of the EPA Act/Section 40(2A) and Section 42(1G)(a) of the Waste Management Act. In addition, consultation on the licence application and EIAR will be carried out in accordance with Section 87(1B) to (1H) of the EPA Act/ Section 42(1B) to (1H) of the Waste Management Act, as appropriate. All observations from the planning authority will be taken into account as part of the Agency's assessment and before making a decision in relation to the licence application. Please also note that you will be requested to provide the documentation relating to the EIA you have carried out to the Agency under Section 173A(4)/173B(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended.

Should a licence application be received by the Agency all matters to do with emissions to the environment from the activities proposed, the licence application documentation and EIS will be considered and assessed by the Agency.

Where the Agency is of the opinion that the activities, as proposed, cannot be carried on, or cannot be effectively regulated under a licence then the Agency cannot grant a licence for such an activity. Should the Agency decide to grant a licence in respect of the activity, as proposed, it will incorporate conditions that will ensure that appropriate National and EU standards are applied, and that Best Available Techniques (BAT) will be used in the carrying on of the activities.

Finally, please note that in accordance with Section 87(1D)(d) of the EPA Act/Section 42(1D)(d) of the Waste Management Acts, the Agency cannot issue a Proposed Determination on a licence application which addresses the development above until a planning decision has been made.

For all further queries and correspondence relating to planning matters, please contact eiaplanning@epa.ie.

Yours Sincerely,
Marian Doyle

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Subject: PA0033 Galway Harbour Extension - EPA - Notice of Further Information on SID Case with ABP

Dear Sir / Madam,

We hope that you are well.

Further to a request from An Bord Pleanála (“ABP”) to publish the **Further Information** on the above Strategic Infrastructure Development Case for Galway Harbour Extension (ABP Reference Number: PA0033), as originally submitted in January 2014, we have notified the public and the ABP list of prescribed bodies of the submission of the **Further Information of September 2024** on same.

We have sent you a hard copy and a soft copy of the Further Information documentation by post and attached herewith is a copy of the cover letter.

This is a link to the Further Information of 27 September 2024:

<https://www.galwayharbourextension.com/further-information-september-2024/>

Any submissions / observations on the **Further Information only** may be made to An Bord Pleanála by no later than 5:30pm on the 7th of February 2025.

We would be very grateful if you would be able to confirm receipt of this email, if possible, please.

All of the best,

Thank you,

Brendan

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