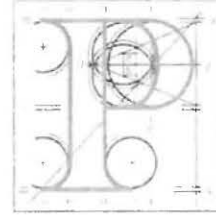


Our Case Number: PA0033



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Date: 23 May 2025

Re: Galway Harbour Extension
Renmore and Townparks Townlands, Galway

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent letter in relation to the above-mentioned case. The contents have been noted.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board at laps@pleanala.ie

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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Lauren Griffin

From: Lauren Griffin
Sent: Friday, 23 May 2025 15:22
To: consultation@mara.gov.ie
Subject: RE: An Bord Pleanála Case Reference: PA61.PA0033 (Further Information)

Dear Jennifer,

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

Kind regards,

Lauren

From: MARA Consultation <consultation@mara.gov.ie>
Sent: Thursday, May 22, 2025 2:42 PM
To: Marine <marine@pleanala.ie>; Marine Observations <marineobs@pleanala.ie>
Subject: An Bord Pleanála Case Reference: PA61.PA0033 (Further Information)

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Good Afternoon,

I refer to the above and attach herewith further information submission on behalf of The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority.

I would be obliged if you could acknowledge receipt of same.

Kind Regards,

Jennifer.

Jennifer O' Connor
Analyst
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An tÚdarás Rialála Limistéir Mhuirí (MARA)
Maritime Area Regulatory Authority

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The obligation under Section 96(1) for the Holder of a MAC to rehabilitation the maritime area may include one or more of the following options;

- a. the decommissioning of infrastructure;
- b. the removal of infrastructure;
- c. the partial removal of infrastructure;
- d. the burying or encasing of infrastructure;
- e. the removal of any deposited or waste material.

Obtain Authorisation for rehabilitation

Section 96(3) of the MAP Act outlines that the obligation to rehabilitate the maritime area under *subsection (1)* does not relieve the holder of a MAC from applying for and obtaining any other authorisations (whether the authorisation takes the form of the grant of a licence, consent, approval or any other authorisation) required under this Act or any another enactment in order to enable the holder to discharge that obligation.

Rehabilitation Schedule Particulars

In accordance with Section 96(4) of the MAP Act the MARA shall not grant a MAC to the applicant for the MAC unless there is a schedule attached to the MAC setting out particulars of how the applicant, if granted the MAC, will discharge the obligation under *subsection (1)*, including particulars of the following;

- (a) the proposed programme of rehabilitation;
- (b) the proposed date, or the occurrence of the event, on which the programme will start to be implemented and (if no ongoing maintenance is required by the programme) the proposed date on which the programme will have been fully implemented;
- (c) the estimated costs of the programme;
- (d) the expected timelines for applying for and obtaining the other authorisations referred to in *subsection (3)* required in order to enable the applicant to discharge that obligation.

The making of submissions or observations by the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority under this section shall not prejudice the performance by it of any of its other functions. If you have any queries or require further information in relation to this submission, please contact the undersigned directly.

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Date: 22nd May, 2025

An Bord Pleanála Case Reference: PA61.PA0033 (Further Information)

Re: Application for 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, which contains a Seveso site, under Section 37F(1)(a) of the Planning and Development Act (2000, as amended) from Tobin Consulting Engineers on behalf of Galway Harbour Company.

Dear Sir/Madam,

We acknowledge receipt of your notice dated 30th April 2025, in relation to the further information response received on an application for Development Permission to An Bord Pleanála, under Section 37F(1)(c) of the Planning and Development Act (2000, as amended) Tobin Consulting Engineers on behalf of Galway Harbour Company.

The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (MARA) welcomes the opportunity to provide further comments on the planning application.

MARA note the applicant's response to MARA's submission indicates a noting of procedure for an application for a foreshore lease/Licence. MARA wish to highlight the legislative requirement under Section 75(4)(c) of the MAP Act 2021, for the applicant to make a maritime area consent (MAC) application before the 2nd anniversary of the date of the grant of the permission concerned. In the event of a grant of permission MARA would encourage the applicant seeks a pre-MAC application meeting with MARA to determine the requirements of this future MAC application.

Rehabilitation Schedule

MARA wish to highlight that the MAC application shall have attached to it, a rehabilitation schedule (within the meaning of Section 96(4)).

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I would be grateful if receipt of this submission, could be formally acknowledged by email to the following; consultation@mara.gov.ie

Yours sincerely,



Niamh Lennon

Senior Marine Planning Advisor
Assessment, Research and Data Unit

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