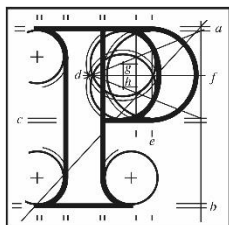


## 2. Planning Application Form



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## Application Form for Permission in respect of a Maritime Area Planning Application.

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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 291 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended)
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	North Irish Sea Array Windfarm Limited
Address:	Building 3400 Cork Airport Business Park Cork T12 AE76
Telephone No:	+353 86 0401188
Email Address (if any):	tina.raleigh@statkraft.com

3. **Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):**

Name(s) of company director(s):	Donal O'Sullivan Kevin O'Donovan David Flood Nischal Agarwal Rowan Mark Parkhouse Nico Schnackenberg
Registered Address (of company)	Building 3400 Cork Airport Business Park Cork T12 AE76

Company Registration No.	657810
Telephone No.	+353 21 242 7786
Email Address (if any)	

**4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):**

Name:	Fiona Patterson
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Mobile No. (if any)	+353 87 7425556
Email address (if any)	fiona.patterson@arup.com

**Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)**

(Please note that if the answer is "No", all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant's address)

Yes: [ ☒ ] No: [ ☐ ]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Tina Raleigh  
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+353 86 0401188

**5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:**

Name:	Fiona Patterson / Tina Raleigh
Firm / Company:	Arup / North Irish Sea Array Windfarm Limited

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<b>Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.</b> <b>Details referred to in article 4 of the Planning and Development (Maritime Development) Regulations 2023. This can also be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form</b>	

## 6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)	The offshore infrastructure of the proposed development will be located off the coast of counties Dublin, Meath and Louth. The onshore infrastructure of the proposed development will be located in County Dublin (Fingal County Council and Dublin City Council administrative areas).
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)	Offshore:  Admiralty Chart No. 44 – Ireland – East Coast, Nose of Howth to Ballyquintin Point (2016 edition)  Onshore:  1. Ordnance Survey Map Sheet No. 43 (covering part of County Dublin, Louth and Meath)  2. Ordnance Survey Map Sheet No. 50 (covering part of County Dublin, Kildare, Meath and Wicklow)
Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided.	

Area of site to which the application relates in square kilometres	126.5 sq. km
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:	<p>Existing use offshore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Undeveloped maritime area.</li> </ul> <p>Existing use onshore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Onshore cable route: public roads (including the R132, the R106 and other local roads) and private land. The offline section (i.e. lands located offline of public roads) of the cable route includes land zoned as Rural (RU), Green Belt (GB), Rural Village (RV), and Metro and Rail Economic Corridor (MRE) in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029. A small section of the land where the onshore cable is routed into the lands at Belcamp is zoned as a Strategic Development and Regeneration Area (Z14) in the Dublin City Development Plan 2022-2028;</li> <li>• Landfall site: Bremore Beach, agricultural fields, a section underneath the Dublin to Belfast railway line and the R132. The landfall site includes land zoned as high amenity (HA) and open space (OS) in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029;</li> <li>• Grid facility: two fields under agricultural use, in the townland of Bremore, Co. Dublin. The land is zoned as Rural (RU) in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029; and</li> <li>• Grid connection point at Belcamp 220kV substation: the lands in which the existing Belcamp 220kV substation are located are zoned as High Technology (HT) in the Fingal County Development Plan 2023-2029.</li> </ul> <p>Proposed use offshore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Array area, including wind turbine generators, inter-array cables and</li> </ul>

	<p>the offshore substation platform; and</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offshore export cable corridor.</li> </ul> <p>Proposed use onshore:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Landfall site, including transition joint bays and permanent access tracks;</li> <li>• Grid facility, including two substations and permanent access roads; and</li> <li>• Onshore cable route and grid connection point, including joint bays and permanent access tracks in offline sections.</li> </ul>
Name of the Coastal Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:	<p>Dublin City Council;</p> <p>Fingal County Council;</p> <p>Meath County Council; and</p> <p>Louth County Council.</p>

**7. Obligation to obtain permission to carry out development:**

Are you in possession of a Maritime Area Consent or a licence granted under section 3 of the Foreshore Act, 1933?
Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ]    No: [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]
<b>Provide copy of Maritime Area Consent or copy of licence.</b>

**8. Site History:**

<b>Details regarding site history (if known):</b>
There has been no previous development in the maritime area. The onshore development area primarily consists of public roadway and / or agricultural lands.

## 9. Description of the Proposed Development:

<p>Brief description of nature and extent of development</p>	<p>The proposed development is an offshore wind farm comprising of both offshore and onshore infrastructure.</p> <p>The proposed development boundary, within which the proposed development is located, will include offshore infrastructure off the coast of Counties Dublin, Meath and Louth and onshore infrastructure within County Dublin (Fingal and Dublin City Council administrative areas).</p> <p>A high-level overview of the proposed development is provided below.</p> <p>Offshore Infrastructure (located within and Array area and export cable corridor (ECC)):</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offshore wind turbine generators (WTGs) and their associated foundations;</li> <li>• Inter-array cables which will connect the WTGs to the Offshore Substation Platform (OSP);</li> <li>• An OSP and associated foundations; and</li> <li>• Offshore export cable(s) which will deliver the generated power from the OSP to the high-water mark (HWM) as defined by Ordnance Survey Ireland mapping (the HWM being the transition point between the offshore and onshore infrastructure).</li> </ul> <p>Onshore Infrastructure:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Offshore export cable(s) from the HWM to the landfall transition joint bays (TJBs);</li> <li>• Transition joint bays (TJBs) where the offshore and onshore export cables are joined;</li> <li>• Onshore export cable(s) from the TJBs to the grid facility;</li> <li>• A Grid Facility, comprising a compensation substation and Bremore substation, together within ancillary infrastructure;</li> <li>• Onshore cable(s) from the grid facility to the Belcamp Substation; and</li> <li>• A connection from the onshore cable(s) to the national electricity transmission network at Belcamp Substation.</li> </ul> <p>The landfall will comprise both offshore and onshore infrastructure, with the HWM being the point of transition between the two. The export cables come ashore and transition to onshore cables at the TJBs close to the shoreline at Bremore Bay beach in Bremore, north of Balbriggan, Co. Dublin.</p>
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## 10. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?		√	
The Malahide Estuary SAC [000205] and Rogerstown Estuary SAC [000208] are located immediately adjacent to the proposed development. The offshore development area lies within the North-west Irish Sea cSPA [004236]			
Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?		√	
A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared having regard to Part XAB of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended). The Natura Impact Statement will inform and assist the competent authority in carrying out the Appropriate Assessment. The Natura Impact Statement has been prepared, taking into account the Conservation Objectives of all relevant European sites and qualifying interests.			
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?		√	
<p>An EIAR for the proposed development is mandatory under Schedule 5 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended. The class under Schedule 5 that is relevant to the proposed development is:</p> <p>Part 2 Class 3 Energy Projects</p> <p><i>(i) Installations for the harnessing of wind power for energy production (wind farms) with more than 5 turbines or having a total output greater than 5 megawatts.</i></p> <p>The offshore wind farm will have more than 5 Wind Turbine Generators (WTGs) and will have a total output greater than 5MW. Therefore, it exceeds the threshold and mandatory EIA is required.</p> <p>An EIAR has been prepared in compliance with Council Directive 2011/92/EU on the assessment of the effects of certain public and private projects on the environment as amended by Directive 2014/52/EU (together, the EIA Directive).</p>			
Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?			√
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license			√
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?			√
Do the Comah Regulations 2015 (Control of Major Accident Hazards) apply to the proposed development?			√



## 11. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Regional newspaper: Drogheda Independent – 29/05/24 Regional newspaper: Dublin Gazette – 30/05/24 National newspaper: The Irish Independent – 31/05/24 Regional newspaper: Meath Chronicle – 01/06/24  Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No: [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
Project website: <a href="https://northirishsearraysid.ie/">https://northirishsearraysid.ie/</a>

## 12. Pre-application Consultation:

<b>Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála</b>
<b>Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.</b>  Enclosed:  Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No: [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]  Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification.  Enclosed:  Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No: [ <input type="checkbox"/> ]


## 13. Confirmation Notice:

<b>Copy of Confirmation Notice</b>
A copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal is attached as the application is accompanied by an EIAR.

**14. Application Fee:**

Fee Payable	€100,000
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**I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.**

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	
Date:	6 <sup>th</sup> June 2024

**General Guidance Note:**

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed maritime area development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Regulations and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.