



The late Lorraine Bolger.

## Devoted Mum Lorraine (45) died on her birthday

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THE daughter of devoted Wexford mother Lorraine Bolger – who died tragically young aged 45 on her birthday one year ago this Thursday – has paid a moving tribute to her.

The New Ross woman died in a crash at Glenmore weeks after the sudden death of husband Séamus Ó Cualáin, late of Adamstown and Co Galway.

She was driving home from a birthday day out with her daughter Ashling and sister Colette in Waterford City when her vehicle was in a collision with a car occupied by young people from the New Ross area.

Ashling suffered serious injuries in the accident which claimed the life of her mother.

She said her mother was a very fun, bubbly person, someone who always wanted to make a laugh and a joke.

"Everyone would describe Mam's laugh as one that captivated the room. She was a very loving family person as well."

Ashling said her mother was always academic but didn't know what she wanted to do in her teens. "It was only when she went to UL and heard about a technical writing course that she thought that sounds interesting and that sparked the interest."

Late of Ballynagrallagh, Adamstown and Tower Grove, New Ross, Lorraine studied technical writing and languages and while there she moved into a house with Seamus who was another tenant. They hit it off and after college Lorraine did internships in a company, working in Dublin and Clare.

Lorraine, Seamus and Ashling moved to Adamstown, with Lorraine working in Sisco and later in Red Hat in Waterford.

Working most days from home, Lorraine was delighted to achieve her dream of living in the countryside and quickly adapted to a life surrounded by animals. "We dragged her into it; willingly or unwillingly, so it was definitely a shock to the system for her when she started to be a smell of goats coming into the house."

A house proud woman, Lorraine and Seamus put a lot of love and attention into their house. "She was big into interior design and into her garden."

She loved travel and travelled often with her work, but loved nothing more than the comforts of home.

Lorraine was involved in the Raheen Parish Community and in her spare time enjoyed music and films.

An avid reader, she enjoyed reading the Game of Thrones series and was always with a book by her side. Lorraine travelled to Antrim to see where the hit TV series was shot. She loved visits from her parents Marie and Joe and sister Colette's family.

Lorraine was very proud of her work and loved her colleagues at Red Hat.

"She was very driven. It didn't matter whether the clock was on or off, she was working."

Recalling Wednesday, December 1, last year, Ashling (19) said her mother had to drop her car off at a garage in Waterford and was given a rental car.

"It was on her birthday. Her sister, my aunt Colette collected us and we did some shopping. She was in good form that day. I don't think that anyone is to blame (for what happened) and it's not going to change anything. As long as everyone else is OK, I'm OK with that. I feel that someone kept me alive that day. I keep going for them."

A large crowd attended Lorraine's funeral mass at St Mary & St Michael's Church in New Ross which Ashling, recovering from the crash in hospital, watched online.

Lorraine was laid to rest afterwards in St Stephen's Cemetery.

She is survived by her loving daughter Ashling; parents Marie and Joe (Bolger); sister Colette; nephews Jamie and Alex; brother-in-law Tony; mother-in-law Ellen; sisters-in-law Anna and Brid; aunts; uncles; extended family and a large circle of friends.

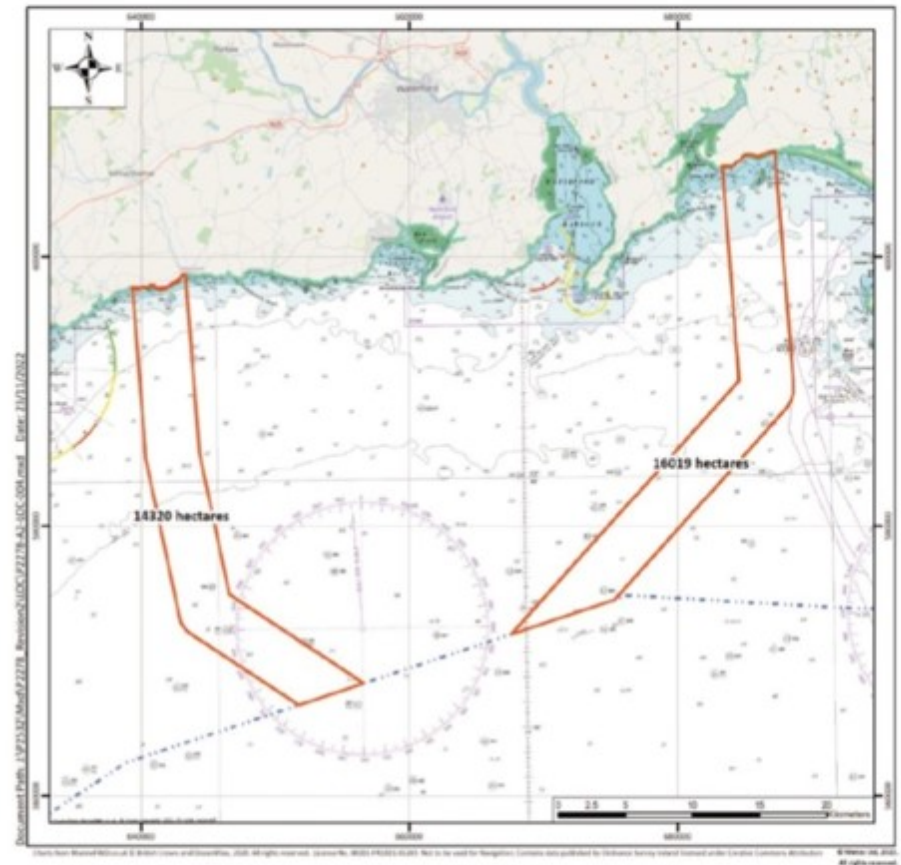
Lorraine's anniversary mass takes place at Raheen Church this Saturday at 8 p.m.

### PUBLIC NOTICE

#### INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS OR OBSERVATIONS ON APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Regulation 42(13) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011, as amended, of an application for a foreshore licence in relation to carrying out the proposed geophysical, geotechnical and environmental surveys of the cable corridors of interest as set out in Foreshore Licence Application Reference: F5006983. This will support the assessment of the suitability of areas off Bunmahon Bay, County Waterford and Bannow Bay, County Wexford (within the 12 nautical mile limit) for the potential development of an offshore wind farm approximately 25km offshore in the Celtic Sea by SSE Renewables (Ireland) Ltd.

The foreshore licence application area is shown in the map below:



The Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage is responsible for making a decision on the application and the Minister may either grant, approve or consent to the application with or without covenants, conditions or agreements, where applicable, or refuse the application.

The Minister has determined, in accordance with Regulation 42(6) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011, that an Appropriate Assessment is required in respect of the proposed plan or project. A copy of the Screening for Appropriate Assessment is available on <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/5d5d9-sse-renewables-celtic-sea/> or <http://www.gov.ie/en/publication/7115e-sse-renewables-celtic-sea/>.

The Minister will make a determination as to whether or not the proposed plan or project would adversely affect the integrity of a European site in accordance with Regulation 42(11) of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011 and, in doing so, shall have regard to the matters in Regulation 42(12).

In this regard, in accordance with Regulation 42(13), any person may make a submission or observation to the Minister concerning the proposed project within 30 days of the date of this notice. The Minister shall have regard to any submissions or observations received during the public consultation.

A copy of the application, map of the proposed project, the determination that an Appropriate Assessment is required in respect of the project, the Natura Impact Statement, and the other information and documentation relevant to the application, are available for inspection for 30 calendar days, between 30 November 2022 and 9 January 2023, free of charge at:

- Relevant Garda Station
  - Dungarvan Garda Station, Youghal Road, Dungarvan, County Waterford.
  - New Ross Garda Station, Marshmeadows, New Ross, County Wexford.
- Offices of a planning authority or An Bord Pleanála
  - Dungarvan Civic Offices: Davitts Quay, Abbeyside, Dungarvan, County Waterford. Opening hours for this office are 09:30 – 16:30 on weekdays.

- New Ross Municipal District Office: The Tholsel, Quay Street, New Ross, County Wexford. Opening hours for this office are 09:00 – 17:00 on weekdays.

#### • Relevant local library

- Dungarvan Library: Davitts Quay, Abbeyside, Dungarvan, County Waterford. Opening hours for this library are 10:00 – 17:00 on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, Friday and Saturdays and 13:00 – 20:00 on Thursdays.
- New Ross Library: Barrack Lane, New Ross, County Wexford. Opening hours for this library are 10:30 – 17:30 on Mondays, Wednesday – Saturday (with lunch closures 13:00 to 14:00 on Monday and Saturdays) and 10:30 – 20:30 on Tuesdays.

This documentation and information is also available on the Department's website, at:

<https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/5d5d9-sse-renewables-celtic-sea/?referrer=http://www.gov.ie/en/publication/7115e-sse-renewables-celtic-sea/>

Members of the public who wish to make a submission or observation in writing concerning the proposed project may do so between 30 November 2022 and 9 January 2023 (quoting ref. F5006983) to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Foreshore Section, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Newtown Road, Wexford, Co. Wexford or [foreshoreORE@housing.gov.ie](mailto:foreshoreORE@housing.gov.ie). The closing date for submissions is close of business (17:30) on 9 January 2023.

Take notice that material to which the Minister shall have regard in making the Appropriate Assessment determination will be published on the Department's website. In this regard, the Department wishes to draw attention to its policy on defamatory material that may be contained in submissions it receives, which may be found at:

<http://www.housing.gov.ie/planning/foreshore/public-participation-foreshore-consent-process>