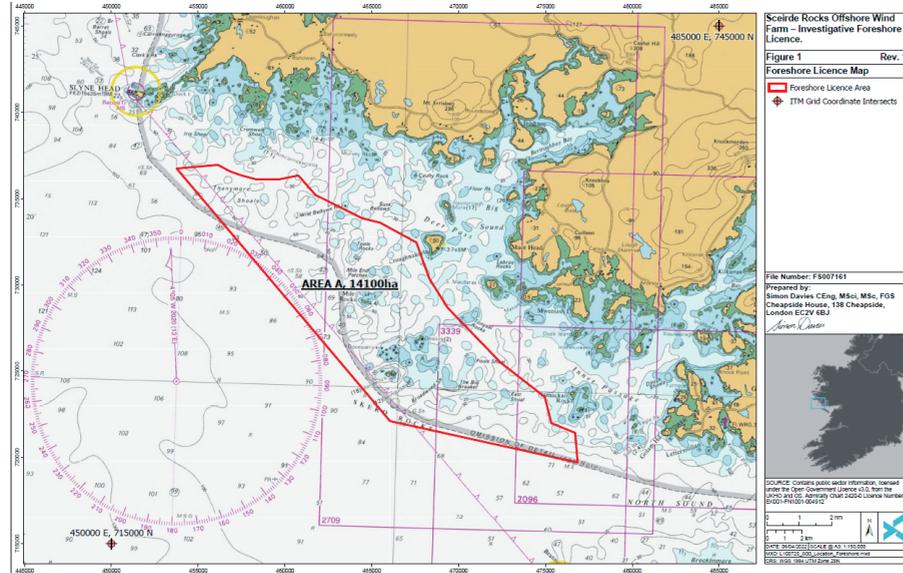


PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION FOR A FORESHORE LICENCE and INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS OR OBSERVATIONS ON APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT

Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta has applied to the Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for a Foreshore licence under Section 3 of the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended, for the proposed Sceirde Rocks Offshore Wind Farm (OWF) site investigations to determine geotechnical, geophysical, metocean, wind resource and benthic characteristics within the Foreshore Licence Area. The results of the site investigations will be used to determine the feasibility of developing an offshore wind farm and informing the design of the Sceirde Rocks OWF Project following which the Project will be progressed in accordance with the National Marine Planning Framework and other relevant legislation including the new consenting regime for offshore renewable energy being legislated for through the Maritime Area Planning Act (MAP).



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.

PUBLIC CONSULTATION – SECTION 19 OF THE FORESHORE ACT

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 19 of the Foreshore Act, 1933, as amended, that Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta has applied to the Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for a Licence under the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended, for the purposes of the above project. In this regard, in accordance with Section 19, public submissions are invited on the proposed plan and project

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 the above project. 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/7a077-fuinneamh-sceirde-teoranta-site-investigations-for-the-proposed-sceirde-rocks-offshore-wind-farm/>

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 30th January 2023. 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, location map coordinates, 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 30th January 2023 and 28th February 2023, free of charge at:

- Relevant Garda Station
Clifden Garda Station, Galway Rd, Clifden, Co. Galway. 095-22500/085-8814626
Or
Carna Garda Station (by appointment only), Carna, Co. Galway (contact Eoin O Malley, 085-8814626 or eoin.p.omalley@garda.ie)
Or
Kilrush Garda Station, Ennis Rd, Kilrush, Co. Clare. 065-9080550
- Offices of a planning authority or An Bord Pleanála
Planning Department, Galway County Council, County Buildings, Prospect Hill, Galway. 091-509000
Or
Clare County Council, Planning Department, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare. 065-6846232
- Relevant local library
Clifden Library, Market Street, Clifden, Co. Galway. 091-509616
Or
Kilkee Library, O Connell Street, Kilkee, Co. Clare. 065-9056034

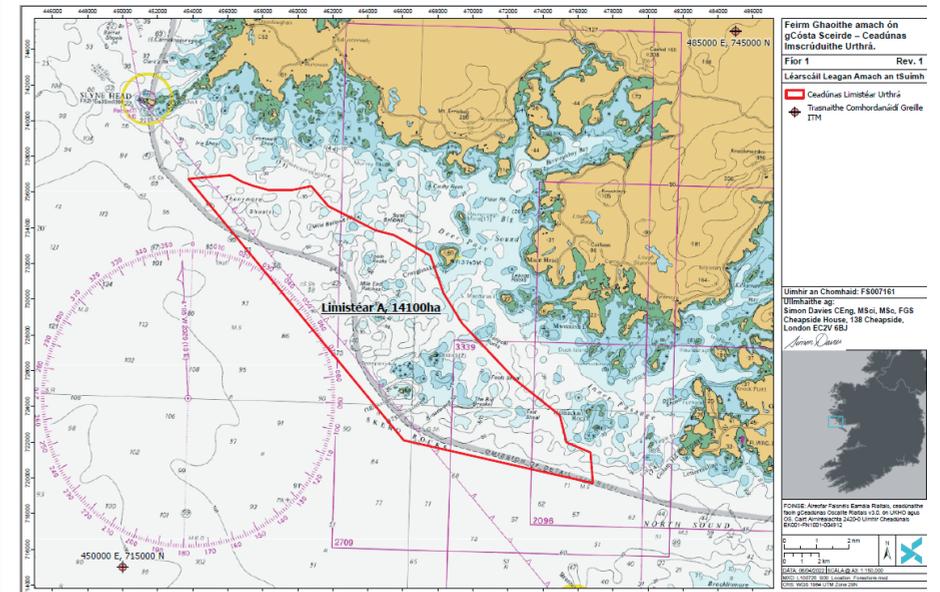
This documentation and information is also available on the Department's website, at: <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/7a077-fuinneamh-sceirde-teoranta-site-investigations-for-the-proposed-sceirde-rocks-offshore-wind-farm/>

Members of the public who wish to make a submission or observation in writing concerning the proposed project may do so between 30th January 2023 and 28th February 2023 (quoting ref: FS007161) 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. The closing date for submissions is close of business (17.30) on 28th February 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>

FÓGRA POIBLÍ
IARRATAS AR CHEADÚNAS URTHRÁ agus CUIREADH LE HAGHAIDH AIGHNEACHTAÍ NÓ TUAIRIMÍ POIBLÍ MAIDIR LE MEASÚNACHT CHUÍ

Tá iarratas déanta ag Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta chuig an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht ar cheadúnas Urthrá faoi Alt 3 den Acht Imeall Trágha 1933, arna leasú, le haghaidh imscrúduithe ar chonairí cábla easpórtála den Fheirm Ghaoithe amach ón gCosta Carraigeacha Sceirde (OWF) chun tréithe geoiteicniúla, geofisiceacha, meit-aigéin, acmhainne gaoithe agus beantacha a chinneadh laistigh de Limistéar Ceadúnais Urthrá. Úsáidfear torthaí na n-imscrúduithe láithreáin leis an indéantacht maidir le feirm ghaoithe amach ón gcosta a fhorbairt agus chun bonn eolais a chur faoi dheardh Thionscadal OWF Carraigeacha Sceirde agus ina dhiaidh sin cuirfear an Tionscadal chun cinn de réir an Chreata Náisiúna um Pleanáil Mhuirí agus reachtaíocht ábhartha eile, lena n-áirítear an córas toilithe nua d'fhuinneamh in-athnuaite amach ón gcosta atá á reachtú tríd an Acht um Pleanáil Limistéir Mhuirí (LÉARSCÁIL).



Tá an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht freagrach as cinneadh a dhéanamh ar an iarratas agus d'fhéadfá an tAire an t-iarratas a dheonú, a cheadú nó toiliú leis, le nó gan chúnaínt, coinníollacha nó comhaontuithe, nuair is infheidhme, nó diúltú don iarratas.

COMHAIRLIÚCHÁN POIBLÍ – ALT 19 DEN ACHT IMEALL TRÁGHÁ

Tugtar fógra leis seo de bhun Alt 19 den Acht Imeall Trágha, 1933, arna leasú, go bhfuil iarratas déanta ag Fuinneamh Sceirde Teoranta ar Cheadúnas ón Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht faoin Acht Imeall Trágha, 1933, arna leasú, chun críocha an tionscadail thuas. Maidir leis seo, de réir Alt 19, iarrtar ar an bpobal aighneachtaí a dhéanamh faoin bplean agus faoin tionscadal atá beartaithe.

CUIREADH CHUN AIGHNEACHTAÍ NÓ TUAIRIMÍ POIBLÍ MAIDIR LE MEASÚNACHT CHUÍ

Tugtar fógra leis seo de bhun Rialachán 42(13) de Rialachán na gComhphobal Eorpach (Éin agus Gnáthóga Nádúrtha), 2011, arna leasú, maidir le hiarratas ar cheadúnas urthrá i ndáil leis an tionscadal thuas. Tá an tAire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht freagrach as cinneadh a dhéanamh ar an iarratas agus d'fhéadfá an t-iarratas a dheonú, é a cheadú nó toiliú leis, le nó gan chúnaínt, coinníollacha nó comhaontuithe, nuair is infheidhme, nó diúltú don iarratas.

Chinn an tAire, de réir Rialachán 42(6) de Rialachán na gComhphobal Eorpach (Éin agus Gnáthóga Nádúrtha), 2011, go bhfuil Measúnacht Chúí ag teastáil i leith an phlean nó an tionscadail atá beartaithe. Tá cóip den Scagadh le haghaidh Measúnacht Chúí ar fáil ar <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/7a077-fuinneamh-sceirde-teoranta-site-investigations-for-the-proposed-sceirde-rocks-offshore-wind-farm/>.

Tabharfaidh an tAire breith i dtaobh cibé acu a dhéanfadh nó nach ndéanfadh an plean nó an tionscadal atá beartaithe dochar do shláine an láithreáin Eorpach de réir Rialachán 42(11) de Rialachán na gComhphobal Eorpach (Éin agus Gnáthóga Nádúrtha), 2011 agus, le linn dó nó di déanamh amhlaidh, beidh aird aige nó aici ar na nithe i Rialachán 42(12).

Maidir leis seo, de réir Rialachán 42(13), d'fhéadfadh aon duine aighneacht nó tuairim a dhéanamh chuig an Aire maidir leis an tionscadal atá beartaithe laistigh de 30 lá ó 30 Eanáir 2023. Beidh aird ag an Aire ar aon aighneachtaí nó tuairimí a gheofar i rith an chomhairliúcháin poiblí.

Tá cóip den iarratas, léarscáil den tionscadal atá beartaithe, comhordanáidí an mhaighneamh, an cinneadh go bhfuil Measúnacht Chúí ag teastáil i leith an tionscadail, Ráiteas Tionchair Natura, agus an fhaisnéis agus na doiciméid eile a bhaineann leis an iarratas, ar fáil lena n-áirítear ar feadh 30 lá féilire, idir an 30 Eanáir 2023 agus an 28 Feabhra 2023, saor in aisce ag:

- An Stáisiún Garda ábhartha
Stáisiún Gardaí an Chlocháin, Bóthar na Gaillimhe, An Clochán, Co. Gaillimh 095-22500/085-8814626
Nó
Stáisiún Gardaí Charna (trí choinne amháin), Carna, Co. Gaillimh (déan teagmháil le Eoin O Malley, 085-8814626 nó eoin.p.omalley@garda.ie)
Nó
Stáisiún Gardaí Chill Rois, Bóthar na hInse, Cill Rois, Co. An Clár. 065-9080550
- Oifigí údarais pleanála nó An Bord Pleanála
An Rannóg Pleanála, Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe, Foirgnimh an Chontae, Cnoc na Radharc, Gaillimh. 091-509000
Nó
Comhairle Contae an Chláir, An Rannóg Pleanála, An Bóthar Nua, Inis, Co. An Clár. 065-6846232
- An Leabharlann áitiúil ábhartha
Leabharlann an Chlocháin, Sráid an Mhargaidh, An Clochán, Co. Gaillimh 091-509616
Nó
Leabharlann Chill Chaoi, Sráid Uí Chonaill, Cill Chaoi, Co. An Clár. 065-9056034

Tá an cháipéisíocht agus an fhaisnéis seo ar fáil freisin ar shuíomh gréasáin na Roinne, ag: <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/7a077-fuinneamh-sceirde-teoranta-site-investigations-for-the-proposed-sceirde-rocks-offshore-wind-farm/>

Is féidir le daoine den phobal ar mian leo aighneacht nó tuairim a dhéanamh i scríbhinn maidir leis an tionscadal atá beartaithe amhlaidh a dhéanamh idir an 30 Eanáir 2023 agus an 28 Feabhra 2023 (tagairt: FS007161) chuig an Aire Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht, An Rannóg Urthrá, An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreacht, Bóthar an Bhaile Nua, Loch Garman, Co. Loch Garman nó foreshoreORE@housing.gov.ie
Is é an dáta deiridh le haghaidh aighneachtaí ná am scoir gnó (17.30) ar an 28 Feabhra 2023

Tabhair faoi deara go bhfoillseofar ábhar a thabharfaidh an tAire aird air nuair a bheidh an cinneadh maidir le Measúnacht Chúí á dhéanamh, ar shuíomh gréasáin na Roinne. Maidir leis seo, is mian leis an Roinn aird a tharraingt ar a beartas maidir le hábhar clúmhíllteach a d'fhéadfadh a bheith in aighneachtaí a fhaigheann sí, a d'fhéadfá a fháil ag: <http://www.housing.gov.ie/planning/foreshore/public-participation-foreshore-consent-process>