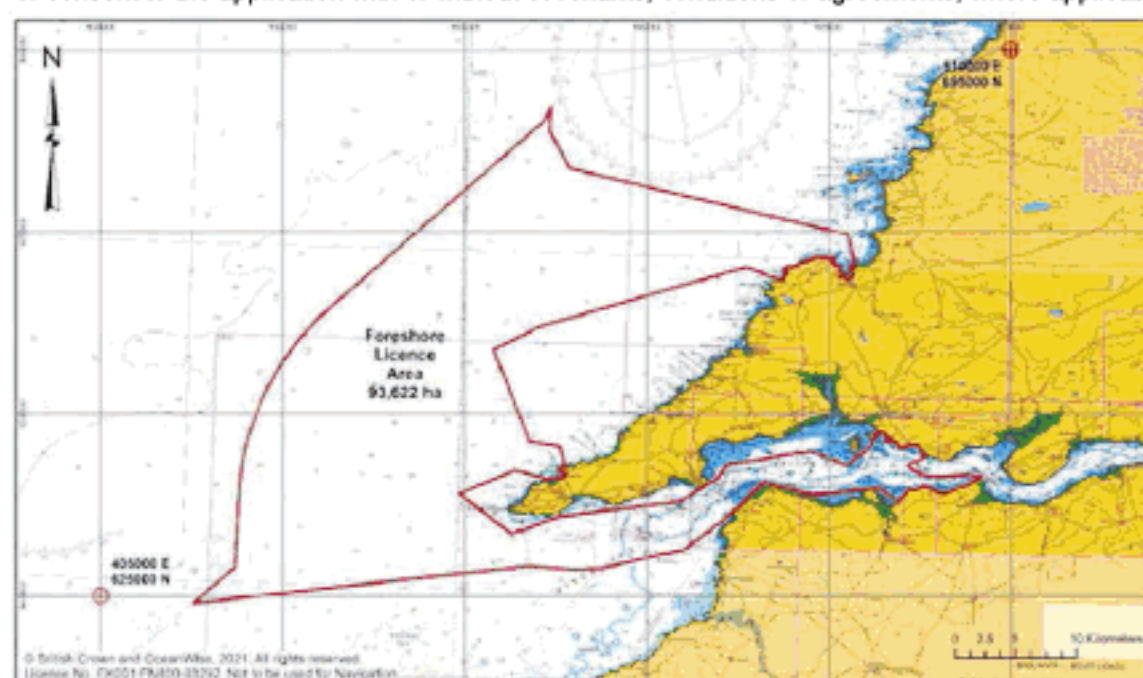


PUBLIC NOTICE

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

Clarus Offshore Wind Farm Ltd. 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 site investigations to inform the design of a potential offshore wind farm and associated export cable route off the coast of counties Clare & Kerry. The objective of the site investigations is to gather sufficient geophysical, geotechnical, environmental, archaeological and ecological information to inform design.

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 Clarus Offshore Wind Farm Ltd. has applied to the Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for Licence under the Foreshore Act 1933, as amended, for the purposes of the above project. In this regard, in accordance with Section 19A, 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/213d9-clarus-offshore-wind-farm-site-investigations-off-counties-kerry-and-clare/>.

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, 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 10 November 2022 and 09 December 2022, free of charge at:

- Kilkee Garda Station, Dough, Kilkee, Co. Clare, V15X440. Contact Kilrush Garda Station on 065 9080557 for appointment.
- Kilrush Garda Station, Ennis Road, Kilrush, Co. Clare, V15Y191. Open 24hrs.
- Ballybunion Garda Station, Main Street, Ballybunion, Co. Kerry, V31WC58. Contact Listowel Garda Station on 068 50820 for appointment.
- Tarbert District Garda Station, Bridewell Street, Tarbert, Co. Kerry, V31W351. Contact Listowel Garda Station on 068 50820 for appointment.
- Kilrush Civic Offices, Town Hall, Kilrush, Co. Clare, V15XK70. Open Mon-Fri 9am-5pm.
- Kilkee Library, O'Connell St, Dough, Kilkee, Co. Clare, V15P960. Open Mon/Tues 1:30pm-5:30pm and 6pm-8pm, Tues/Thur/Fri 10:30am-1:30pm and Sat 2pm-5:30pm and 10:30am-2pm
- Kilrush Library, O'Gorman Street, Kilrush, County Clare, V15W577. Open Mon/Wed/Fri 10am-1:30pm and 2:30pm-5:30pm, Tues/Thur 10am-1:30pm and 2:30pm-8pm, Sat 10am-2pm

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

<https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/213d9-clarus-offshore-wind-farm-site-investigations-off-counties-kerry-and-clare/>

Members of the public who wish to make a submission or observation in writing concerning the proposed project may do so between 10 November 2022 and 09 December 2022 (quoting ref: FS006886) 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 09 December 2022.

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>

10 November 2022