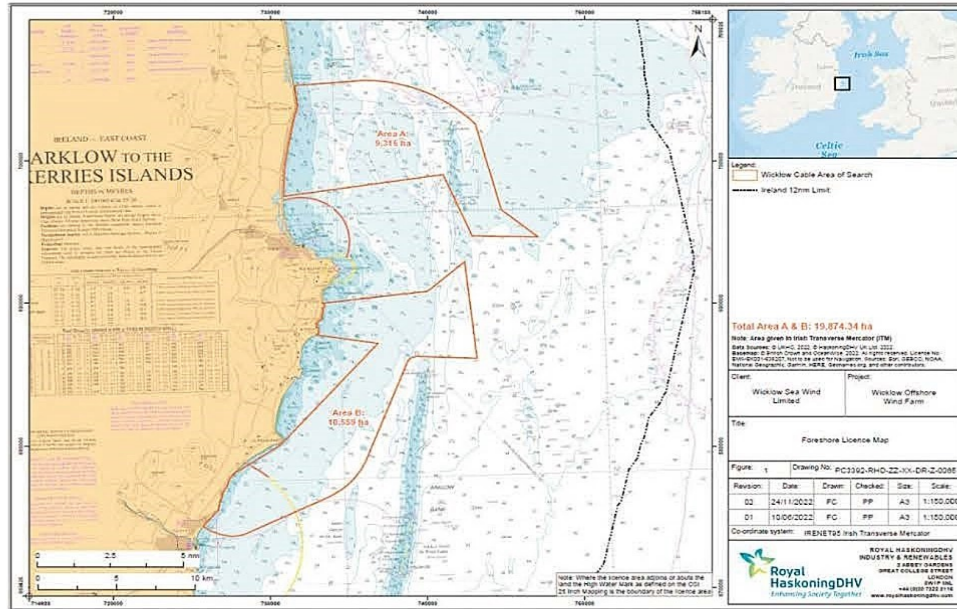


**APPLICATION FOR A FORESHORE LICENCE**

**ALSO INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS OR OBSERVATIONS FOR THE PURPOSE OF CONDUCTING STAGE 2 APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT**

Wicklow Sea Wind Limited 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, to undertake marine site investigation surveys to inform the design and route of an export cable corridor to connect a proposed offshore wind farm (the "Wicklow Project") to the grid, for a proposed offshore wind project located approximately 8km off the Wicklow Coast in the Irish Sea (the "Wicklow Project"). These site investigation works include geophysical surveys, geotechnical surveys, metocean surveys, environmental and ecology surveys. The proposed foreshore licence area covers the surveys for the wind farm array area only within the foreshore. A separate foreshore licence was submitted which covers the surveys and investigations for the proposed offshore wind farm site array.



Coordinates of the Foreshore Licence Application Area are provided in the following table:

ID	LATITUDE (Deg Min Sec)	LONGITUDE (Deg Min Sec)	ID	LATITUDE (Deg Min Sec)	LONGITUDE (Deg Min Sec)
1	53° 4' 55.638" N	6° 2' 10.951" W	33	52° 54' 32.958" N	5° 55' 44.141" W
2	53° 4' 55.676" N	6° 2' 9.844" W	34	52° 54' 32.519" N	5° 55' 52.140" W
3	53° 4' 55.888" N	6° 2' 3.280" W	35	52° 54' 31.297" N	5° 55' 58.217" W
4	53° 5' 0.859" N	5° 58' 10.666" W	36	52° 54' 28.854" N	5° 56' 5.415" W
5	53° 5' 2.164" N	5° 57' 40.627" W	37	52° 54' 24.903" N	5° 56' 12.117" W
6	53° 5' 0.859" N	5° 57' 21.299" W	38	52° 54' 22.385" N	5° 56' 14.998" W
7	53° 4' 59.163" N	5° 57' 2.477" W	39	52° 54' 18.396" N	5° 56' 17.895" W
8	53° 4' 56.832" N	5° 56' 41.965" W	40	52° 50' 41.437" N	5° 58' 46.266" W
9	53° 4' 54.693" N	5° 56' 26.264" W	41	52° 50' 22.431" N	5° 59' 2.440" W
10	53° 4' 52.892" N	5° 56' 14.486" W	42	52° 50' 6.820" N	5° 59' 20.978" W
11	53° 4' 47.173" N	5° 55' 42.931" W	43	52° 49' 55.286" N	5° 59' 37.627" W
12	53° 4' 44.357" N	5° 55' 29.604" W	44	52° 49' 44.807" N	5° 59' 55.922" W
13	53° 4' 37.594" N	5° 55' 1.495" W	45	52° 49' 35.852" N	6° 0' 13.297" W
14	53° 4' 30.353" N	5° 54' 35.700" W	46	52° 49' 27.495" N	6° 0' 35.730" W
15	53° 4' 23.741" N	5° 54' 14.912" W	47	52° 49' 20.026" N	6° 0' 57.711" W
16	53° 4' 14.262" N	5° 53' 48.516" W	48	52° 48' 1.193" N	6° 5' 43.389" W
17	53° 4' 3.078" N	5° 53' 21.304" W	49	52° 47' 58.242" N	6° 5' 58.853" W
18	53° 3' 49.060" N	5° 52' 51.713" W	50	52° 47' 57.009" N	6° 6' 10.274" W
19	53° 3' 33.796" N	5° 52' 23.877" W	51	52° 47' 56.551" N	6° 6' 18.092" W
20	53° 3' 17.364" N	5° 51' 57.941" W	52	52° 47' 56.661" N	6° 6' 31.020" W
21	53° 0' 0.509" N	5° 50' 40.151" W	53	52° 47' 57.514" N	6° 6' 44.226" W
22	52° 59' 4.006" N	5° 48' 51.380" W	54	52° 48' 0.291" N	6° 7' 4.060" W
23	52° 58' 56.567" N	5° 48' 37.068" W	55	52° 48' 3.064" N	6° 7' 17.008" W
24	52° 58' 2.555" N	5° 48' 21.637" W	56	52° 48' 6.598" N	6° 7' 30.620" W

**PUBLIC CONSULTATION – SECTION 19 OF THE FORESHORE ACT**

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 19 of the Foreshore Act, 1933, as amended, that Wicklow Sea Wind Limited 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 or 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 Report is available at: <https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/G30d8-fs007588-sits-investigations-by-inls-offshore-wind-ltd-for-cable-route-off-county-wicklow/>

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 during the period of consultation detailed below. The Minister shall have regard to any submissions or observations received during this time.

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 2nd May 2023 and 31st May 2023, free of charge at:

- Wicklow Garda Station, Bachelor's Walk, Wicklow, Co. Wicklow, A67 HK20. +353 404 60140 Opening hours: 24/7

Gorey Garda Station, 50 Main Street, Gorey, Co. Wexford, Y25 YE27 +353 53 9421222 Opening hours: 24/7

Arklow Garda Station, Abbey Street, Arklow, Co. Wicklow Y14 H392 +353 402 32304 Opening hours: 24/7

- Wicklow County Council, County Buildings, Whitegates, Wicklow Town, A67 FW96 +353 404 20100  
Opening hours: 09:00-17:00 (Mon-Fri)

- Gorey Library, The Avenue, Gorey corporation lands, Gorey, Co. Wexford, Y25 WK37 + 353 53 9483820

Opening hours: 10:30-17:30 (Mon, Wed, Fri-Sat), 10:30-21:00 (Tues, Thurs)

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

<https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/G30d8-fs007588-sits-investigations-by-inls-offshore-wind-ltd-for-cable-route-off-county-wicklow/>

Members of the public who wish to make a submission or observation in writing concerning the proposed project may do so between 2nd May 2023 and 31st May 2023 (quoting ref: FS007588) 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 31st May 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:

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

**REVIEW PROCEDURE**

A review procedure is available before the High Court whereby the substantive or procedural legality of the Minister's Screening for Appropriate Assessment determination may be challenged. The review procedure is governed by Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts, 1986 (S.I. 15 of 1986). A person wishing to avail of the review procedure must first file (i) a statement of grounds; and (ii) a verifying affidavit, in the Central Office of the High Court. It is then necessary to make an application for leave to apply to the High Court.