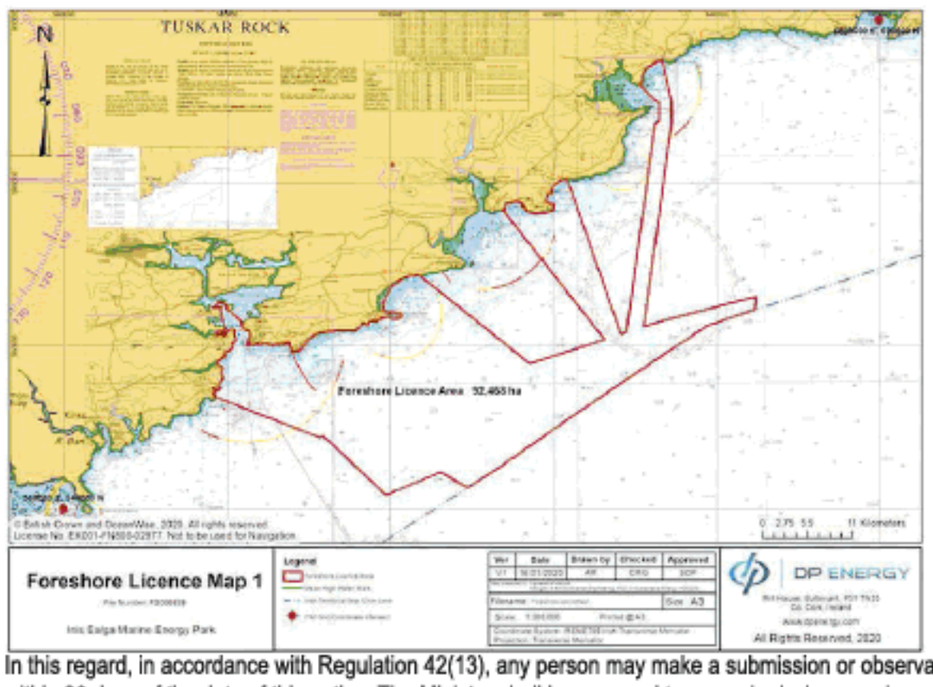
PUBLIC NOTICE
INVITATION FOR PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS OR OBSERVATIONS ON APPROPRIATE ASSESSMENT

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 Foreshore Licence (reference number FS006859) submitted by Inis Ealga Marine Energy Park Ltd. in relation to an offshore wind farm and associated export cable route under development off the coast of counties Cork and Waterford.

This application is for site investigations to inform engineering and design related to a potential offshore wind farm, Inis Ealga Marine Energy Park. The objective of the site investigations is to gather sufficient geophysical, geotechnical, environmental, archaeological and ecological information to inform development of export cable route within the Foreshore Licence Application Area. The Foreshore Licence Application Area is shown on 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/c9ea6-dp-energy-site-invesigations-at-inis-ealga/

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

- Cork County Council, Municipal District Office, Youghal: Mall House, Youghal Lands, Youghal, Co. Cork. 9am-4.30pm Mon to Fri.
- Cork County Council, Municipal District Office, Midleton: Youghal Rd., Park South, Midleton, Co. Cork. 9am-1pm and 2pm-5pm Mon to Fri.
- Anglesea Street Garda Station, Ballintemple, Cork City. Open 24hrs.
- Midleton Garda Station, Oliver Plunkett Place, Midleton, Co. Cork. Open 24hrs.
- Youghal Garda Station, O'Brien's Place, Youghal, Co. Cork. Open 10am–1pm daily.

This documentation and information is also available on the Department's website, at:
https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/c9ea6-dp-energy-site-invesigations-at-inis-ealga/

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: FS006859) 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 Minster 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