

03 February 2012

Foreshore Unit
Department of Environment, Community & Local Government
Newtown Road
Wexford

Re: Foreshore Lease/Licence Application
Schull Community Harbour Development Co. Ltd. – Schull Harbour Development

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find enclosed documentation in support of an application for a foreshore lease/license under the Foreshore Acts 1933 (& amendments) on behalf of Schull Community Harbour Development Company (SCHDC) for the following development:

At the Existing Schull Pier

The storm wall on the existing Schull Pier will be extended and raised. New pier furniture and services will be provided as part of the works to the pier. An armoured breakwater projecting c. 270m eastwards from the eastern end of the existing Schull Pier will be constructed on the foreshore. 178m of linear heavy duty floating pontoons will be installed on the east side of the existing pier. An additional 20 pontoon berths will be provided for small inshore fishing vessels. The pontoons will be held in position using steel piles and access will be provided by a 20m aluminium gangway. Floating pontoons will be installed on the northern face of the existing pier. The pontoons will provide 10 berths for the inshore fishing fleet. The pontoons will be held in position using steel piles and access will be provided by the existing steps on the pier.

At the North Shore of the Harbour

An area of land c. 0.55 hectares will be reclaimed from the foreshore. A car park, marina facilities building and concrete slipway will be constructed on the reclaimed foreshore. The car park will provide 95 parking spaces and will be fronted by a sloping armoured revetment. The marina facilities building will provide sanitary and changing facilities to marina users. An office will also be located within the building. A 235 berth marina, with access platform, gangway, floating breakwaters and associated infrastructure will be installed to the south of the reclaimed foreshore. The marina will be constructed of floating concrete pontoons and held in position using steel piles. A services berth providing diesel refuelling facilities and a sewage removal system will be provided as part of the works.

A foreshore lease application for a previous, larger scale development was lodged by Messrs. DJ Fitzgibbon on behalf of SCHDC. After extensive consultations with the DoEHLG Engineering Division and a review of the viability of the original proposal, SCHDC decided to reduce the scale of the proposed harbour development in Schull. This application is for the reduced scale development and it overrides the previous application. A copy of the original scheme drawing, prepared by Messrs. DJ Fitzgibbon is included with this application for reference purposes only and does not form part of the licence documentation.

Pre-application consultations were held with the DoEHLG Engineering Division prior to the preparation and lodgement of this application.

The original foreshore lease application included an Environmental Impact Statement (EIS). For this revised application, we have retained the original EIS and we have prepared a report titled "Environmental Impact Statement – Supplementary Report". This report shows that the reduction in the scale of the proposed development has an obvious reduction on the potential environmental impacts. A copy of the original EIS, in electronic format is included with this application.

In addition to this report, SCHDC commissioned the preparation of an Appropriate Assessment and Natura Impact Statement in accordance with Article 6(3) of the Habitats Directive (Council Directive 92/43/EEC). This report is included with the application documentation.

Application Documentation

The following documentation is submitted as part of the application:

1) Foreshore Application Form	15 No. Copies
2) Harbour Development Foreshore Design Report	15 No. Copies
3) Planning Permission & Conditions	15 No. Copies
4) Copy of SCHDC Certificate of Incorporation	15 No. Copies
5) Copy of SCHDC Memorandum of Association	15 No. Copies
6) Appropriate Assessment & Natura Impact Statement	15 No. Copies
7) Original Environmental Impact Statement (CD Copy)	15 No. Copies
8) Environmental Impact Statement Supplementary Report	15 No. Copies
9) Original Admiralty Chart	1 No. Original
10) Drawings and Maps as follows:	
• C347/F/1/A Location Map (1:10560)	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/2/A Foreshore Lease Map (1:1000)	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/3/A Layout Plan (1:500)	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/4/A Site Plan & Services Layout	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/5/A Sections	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/6/A Admiralty Chart (1:30000)	15 No. Copies
• C347/F/7/A Previous Scheme Layout Plan (DJF)	15 No. Copies

We will be acting as the applicants agents for this application and we respectfully request that all correspondence be directed to us.

If you have any questions in relation to any aspect of this application or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'A. Cronin', written over a horizontal line.

Adam Cronin B.Eng., M.Sc., C.Eng., MIEI
Chartered Engineer

Director