

## Marine Licence with introductory note

The Marine and Coastal Access Act (2009)

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**Licence Holder:** Greenlink Interconnector Limited

**Company Number:** 536954

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## Introductory note

### **This introductory note does not form a part of the marine licence**

The main features of the marine licence are as follows.

This Marine Licence application covers the Welsh marine components of Greenlink from mean high-water springs (MHWS) at the Welsh landfall at Freshwater West, Pembrokeshire out to the UK/Ireland median line, a distance of 73.9km with an average width of 500m. This is defined as the Proposed Development and comprises:

- Two high voltage direct current (HVDC) electricity power cables;
- A smaller fibre-optic cable for control and communication purposes;
- All associated works required to install, test, commission and complete the aforementioned cables; and
- All associated works required to operate, maintain, repair and decommission the aforementioned cables, including five repair events over the 40 year lifetime of Greenlink.

The Marine Licence application also includes the deposit of external cable protection (concrete mattresses or rock berm) over an area of 16.5km x 10m wide; dredging of sandwaves and the re-deposit of the material within the licence area; and the contingency for one unexploded ordnance deflagration.

The Marine Licence application also includes the disposal of dredged material produced during the ground preparatory work for the cable installation activities. The disposal site locations are within the cable route and as indicated in Table 2.

The status log of the marine licence sets out the marine licence history, including any subsequent marine licence variation(s)

#### **Status log of this marine licence**

<b>Description</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Comments</b>
Application	Duly made 27/09/2019	Application received and considered to be duly made
Date licence determined	17/02/2021	Determination date

#### **Related marine licences or applications under determination**

*Not applicable.*

End of introductory note.

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## MARINE LICENCE, NUMBER CML1929

### 1 LICENCE DETAILS

#### 1.1 Marine Licence

This is a licence granted by the Licensing Authority in respect of an application numbered CML1929 and duly made on 27 September 2019 and authorises the Licence Holder to carry on activities for which a licence is required under Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, (2009 Act). This licence should be interpreted in accordance with **Section 4**.

#### 1.2 Licence Holder

The Licence Holder is the person or organisation set out below:

**Company Name:** Greenlink Interconnector Limited

**Company number:** 536954

**Address:** Mason Hayes and Curren, South Bank House, Barrow Street,  
Dublin 4, Ireland

#### 1.3 Licence Validity

<b>Licence Start Date</b>	<b>17 February 2021</b>
<b>Licence End Date</b>	<b>16 February 2067</b>
<b>Licence Issue Date</b>	<b>17 February 2021</b>

#### 1.4 Conditions

This licence is subject to the conditions set out in **Section 3**.

**Signed:**



For and on behalf of the Licensing Authority

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## 2 LICENSED ACTIVITIES

### 2.1 Project

Laying an interconnector cable between Freshwater West beach and the Ireland and Wales median line.

The following Licensed Activities can be conducted within the Licence Period, within the Licensed Area and in accordance with the Approved Application and the Approved Supporting Documents:

**Table 1 Licensed Activities**

<b>Activity 1 Cable Laying and Route Clearance</b>	
Type of Licensed Activity	Deposit and Removal
Description	<p>The deposit of cables and route clearance between Mean High Water Springs at Freshwater West beach and the UK/Ireland median line.</p> <p>The cable route is prepared using a Plough or Grab to clear boulders, Mass Flow Excavator to clear sand waves, Trailing Suction Hopper Dredger to clear sand waves (as indicated in Activity 5), Pre-lay grapnel to clear sea bed debris, UXO clearance (as indicated in Activity 4), de-trenching grapnel and aggregate (rock) or concrete mattresses to cross cables.</p>
Material types to be removed or deposited	<p>Deposit: Other (Cables), Stone/Rock, Concrete (Crossings)</p> <p>Removal: Silt, Sand, Gravel (removed by trailing suction hopper dredger and re-deposited as indicated in Activity 5)</p>
Quantities/Dimensions	<p>Deposit of two HVDC electricity cables.</p> <p>Deposit of one fibre optic cable.</p> <p>Maximum length of all cables of 73.9km.</p> <p>Maximum corridor width 20m.</p> <p>Crossing dimension 120m x 10m</p>

<b>Activity 2     Deposit of Rock Protection</b>	
Type of Licensed Activity	Deposit
Description	The deposit of concrete mattresses or rock berm to ensure the cable the cable is protected.
Material types to be removed or deposited	Deposit: Stone/Rock, Concrete Removal: N/A
Quantities/Dimensions	A maximum area of 16.5km x 10m wide.
<b>Activity 3     Cable maintenance</b>	
Type of Licensed Activity	Construction, Alteration or Improvement
Description	Discrete repairs of the cables, including as a worst case the deposition of external cable protection, should it be required.
Material types to be removed or deposited	Deposit: Stone/Rock, Concrete Removal: N/A
Quantities/Dimensions	A maximum of 5 repairs.  A maximum area of 1km x 10m wide per repair location. Total of 5km x 10m.
<b>Activity 4     Unexploded Ordnance (UXO) Clearance</b>	
Type of Licensed Activity	Use of Explosives
Description	The clearance of UXOs.
Material types to be removed or deposited	Deposit: N/A Removal: UXO
Quantities/Dimensions	A maximum of 1 UXO deflagration.

**Table 2 Licensed Dredge / Disposal Activities**

<b>Activity 5 Dredging and Deposit of Sand Waves</b>		
<b>Marine Licensable Activity Type</b>	Dredging and Deposit	
<b>Description</b>	Dredging of sand waves using a trailing suction hopper dredger. Dredge material will be deposited close to the dredged sand waves and within designated deposit location.	
<b>Maximum Dredge Depth</b>	116.5m Below Chart Datum	
<b>Maximum Dredge volume and tonnage [for disposal only] for material to be deposited under this licence</b>	<b>Total m<sup>3</sup></b>	<b>Total Tonnage</b>
	400,000m <sup>3</sup>	612,000 tonnes
<b>Maximum Deposit</b>	<b>m<sup>3</sup> per year</b>	<b>Tonnage per year</b>
	400,000m <sup>3</sup>	612,000 tonnes
<b>Deposit Location</b>	<b>Site Code:</b> LU172	<b>Site Name:</b> Greenlink Two
<b>Material Type</b>	Silt/Sand/Gravel	

## 2.2 Licensed Area

The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the activities described in **Table 1** between wales and the Ireland and Wales median line bounded by the the coordinates specified in **Table 3** as indicated on the plan submitted with the Approved Application and attached at Appendix 1.

**Table 3 Coordinates**

Longitude	Latitude
-6.1001	51.6813
-6.0239	51.6732
-5.7903	51.6583
-5.6623	51.6605
-5.4630	51.6503
-5.4267	51.6505
-5.4233	51.6524
-5.3888	51.6527
-5.3097	51.6648
-5.2264	51.6646
-5.1707	51.6448
-5.1490	51.6437
-5.1211	51.6440
-5.1054	51.6442
-5.1050	51.6498
-5.0977	51.6553

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-5.0907	51.6583
-5.0703	51.6638
-5.0629	51.6609
-5.0810	51.6563
-5.0915	51.6527
-5.0979	51.6479
-5.0986	51.6424
-5.1147	51.6379
-5.1736	51.6407
-5.2292	51.6604
-5.3084	51.6604
-5.4011	51.6461
-5.4634	51.6459
-5.6627	51.6560
-5.7904	51.6538
-6.0248	51.6688
-6.1001	51.6768

In the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates set out above and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the dredging activities described in **Table 2** bounded by the coordinates specified in **Table 4**, as indicated on the plan submitted with the Approved Application and attached at Appendix 2.

**Table 4 Coordinates for dredging**

Dredge Zone	
Longitude	Latitude
5° 57.406' W	51° 39.868' N
6° 01.495' W	51° 40.126' N
6° 01.833' W	51° 40.162' N
6° 01.732' W	51° 40.425' N
6° 01.435' W	51° 40.393' N
5° 57.408' W	51° 40.139' N

In the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates set out above and the plan attached at Appendix 2, the coordinates shall take precedence.

2.3 The Licence Holder is authorised to conduct the deposit activities described in **Table 2** bounded by the coordinates specified in **Table 5** as indicated on the plan submitted with the Approved Application and attached at Appendix 3.

**Table 5 Permitted Deposit Location**

Deposit Area	
Longitude	Latitude
5° 57.464' W	51° 40.143' N
5° 57.504' W	51° 39.874' N
6° 01.495' W	51° 40.126' N
6° 04.366' W	51° 40.432' N
6° 04.272' W	51° 40.695' N
6° 01.435' W	51° 40.393' N

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In the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates set out above and the plan attached at Appendix 3, the coordinates shall take precedence.

**2.4 Approved Supporting Documents**

<b>Title/Description of Document</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Version No.</b>
<a href="#">CML1929 Greenlink Marine Licence Application 20190624</a>	17 June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 1 Greenlink Marine ES NTS</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 2 Greenlink Marine ES - Wales</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix A - WMP Objectives</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix B - Scoping Meetings</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix C - HRA</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix D - Underwater Sound Modelling</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix E - Herring &amp; Sandeel Assessment</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix F - Commercial Fisheries Assessment</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix G - Marine Archaeology</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix H - WFD Scoping</a>	June 2019	1



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<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix I - Cable Route Survey</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix J - Environmental Survey Report</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix K -Intertidal Habitat Survey Report</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix L - UXO Risk Assessment</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix M - WSI</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix N - Landfall Selection</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Vol 3 Appendix O Competent experts table</a>	June 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Greenlink Summary of Offshore &amp; Onshore Env Effects (P1975 R4799 Rev0) 20190926</a>	September 2019	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Greenlink Responses (P1975 R5015 Rev1)</a>	May 2020	1
<a href="#">CML1929 GIL Response (P1975 R5130 Rev0)</a>	25 August 2020	1
<a href="#">CML1929 Greenlink Marine HRA (P1975 R4710 RevF4)</a>	October 2020	4
<a href="#">CML1929 P1975 R5028 Rev2 Greenlink MMMP</a>	November 2020	2

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### 3 CONDITIONS

#### **Notification and Inspection**

##### **3.1 Notification of Commencement**

- 3.1.1** The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.2** The Licence Holder must notify Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Officers no less than **10 days** before the commencement of the Licensed Activities, or an individual phase of the Licensed Activities, is expected to commence.
- 3.1.3** The Licence Holder must ensure that local mariners and fishermen's organisations are made fully aware of the Licensed Activities through local notices to mariners **10 days** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### **3.2 Notification of Vessels and/or Vehicles**

The Licence Holder must ensure that the details of the vessels and/or vehicles utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority and Marine Enforcement Officers prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.

##### **3.3 Notification of Agents/Contractors/Sub-contractors**

The Licence Holder must ensure that details of any agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) utilised to undertake the Licensed Activities are submitted to the Licensing Authority prior to the commencement of Licensed Activities.

##### **3.4 Notification of HM Coastguard**

The Licence Holder must ensure that HM Coastguard is made aware of the Licensed Activities prior to commencement by contacting The National Maritime Operations Centre at [nmoccontroller@hmcg.gov.uk](mailto:nmoccontroller@hmcg.gov.uk).

##### **3.5 Notification of Castlemartin Firing Range**

The Licence Holder must ensure that Castlemartin Firing Range is made aware of the Licensed Activities prior to commencement.

##### **3.6 Notification of UK Hydrographic Office**

The Licence Holder must notify the UK Hydrographic Office of the Licensed Activities, to permit the promulgation of Maritime Safety Information and the updating of nautical charts and publications.

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### **3.7 Inspection of Licensed Activities**

The Licence Holder must allow officers of the Maritime and Coastguard Agency, Marine Enforcement Officer or any other person authorised by the Licensing Authority to inspect the Licensed Activities at any reasonable time.

### **3.8 Notification of Completion**

The Licence Holder must notify the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers within **10 days** of completion of the Licensed Activities.

### **3.9 Force Majeure**

If, by reason of force majeure any substances or articles are deposited otherwise than as permitted as part of the Licensed Activities or in the Licensed Area, full details of the circumstances shall be notified to the Licensing Authority within **48 hours** of the incident occurring.

### **3.10 Distribution of Copies of this Licence**

The Licence Holder is required to ensure that a copy of this licence, and any subsequent revisions or amendments thereto is given to:

- All agents, contractors and subcontractors whose names have been provided to the Licensing Authority pursuant to condition 3.3; and
- The Masters of any vessels and transport managers responsible for the vehicles and/or vessels employed in the pursuance of this licence whose details have been submitted to the Licensing Authority pursuant to condition 3.2.

### **3.11 Inspection of Documents**

Copies of this Licence shall be made available at the following locations:

- at the address of the Licence Holder specified in section 1.2;
- at any site office, located at or adjacent to the Licensed Area, used by the Licence Holder or its agent(s), contractor(s) or sub-contractor(s) responsible for the loading transportation or deposit of any substances or articles permitted as part of the Licensed Activities;
- on board each vessel, vehicle or at the office of any transport manager with responsibility for vehicles from which any deposits of materials authorised by this licence are to be made.

The documents referred to in this condition shall be available at all times when the Licensed Activities are being undertaken for inspection by officers appropriately authorised by the Licensing Authority and authorised Marine Enforcement Officers at the locations stated in this paragraph.

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## **Vessels, Plant and Equipment**

### **3.12 Notified Contractors, Vessels and Vehicles only to Carry out Licensed Activities**

Only those agents, contractors, subcontractors vessels and vehicles whose details have been notified to the Licensing Authority may operate under the terms of this licence. Any changes must be notified to and be approved by the Licensing Authority in writing prior to any such agent, contractor, subcontractors or vehicles carrying out any Licensed Activities pursuant to or otherwise operating under this licence.

### **3.13 Standard of Vessels**

Any vessels employed to perform any operations permitted by this licence shall be so constructed and equipped as to be capable of the proper performance of these operations.

### **3.14 Refuelling**

The Licence Holder must ensure that plant, vehicles and machinery are not refuelled on the foreshore.

## **Safety**

### **3.15 Safety of Licensed Activities**

The Licence Holder must ensure that the Licensed Activities are maintained in a safe condition that does not represent a danger to the environment, or other marine users, at all times.

### **3.16 Removal of Deposited Material**

The Licence Holder must remove any deposited material within **one month** of notice being given by Licensing Authority or Marine Enforcement Officers if they consider this necessary or advisable for the safety of navigation, and not shall not replace such material until the Licensing Authority or Marine Enforcement Officers have given their written approval.

### **3.17 Government Assistance**

If, in the opinion of the Licensing Authority or Marine Enforcement Officers, the assistance of a Government Department, including the broadcast of navigational warnings, is required in connection with the Licensed Activities or to deal with any emergency arising from the drifting or wreck of the Licensed Activities, the Licence Holder will be liable for any expense incurred in securing such assistance.

## **Pollution control**

### **3.18 Pollution Prevention**

The Licence Holder must ensure that pollution prevention best practice is adhered to at all times. Any incidents must be reported to the Licensing Authority as soon as possible using the hotline number **0300 065 3000**.

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### **3.19 Spillage of Pollutants**

The Licence Holder must ensure bunding, storage facilities and spill kits are employed where appropriate to contain and prevent the release of fuel, oils and chemicals associated with the plant, refuelling and construction equipment into the marine environment.

### **3.20 Coatings**

The Licence Holder must ensure that any coatings/treatments used in carrying out the Licensed Activities are suitable for use in the marine environment and are used in accordance with best environmental practice.

### **3.21 Prevention of Disposal of Man-made Debris**

The Licence Holder must ensure that all reasonable precautions are taken to prevent the disposal of man-made debris to the marine area. Such material must be removed immediately and be disposed of appropriately. If it is not possible to prevent man-made debris from entering the marine environment during the Licensed Activities, the Licensed Activities must cease immediately.

### **3.22 Biosecurity**

**3.22.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Biosecurity Risk Assessment to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of the Licensed Activities. No Licensed Activities may be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.22.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.22.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

**3.22.3** The Licence Holder must ensure all equipment, materials, machinery and Personal Protective Equipment used as part of the Licensed Activities are in a clean condition prior to their arrival at and subsequent departure from the Licensed Area to minimise risk of introducing non-native species into the marine environment.

**3.22.4** Tank/hopper washings may only be discharged in the area(s) specified by the coordinates in **Table 5**.

### **3.23 Dropped Objects**

Should it be necessary for the Licence Holder to recover or remove from the Licensed Area any equipment, plant or machinery accidentally dropped when undertaking the Licensed Activities, the Licence Holder is permitted to do so provided that the methodology for such recovery or removal has been approved by the Licensing Authority.

**Activity-specific Conditions**

**3.24 Disposal Returns**

**3.24.1** Certified returns of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence are required to be submitted on the attached disposal return form by **31 January** and **31 July** each year. The returns must specify the full Licence number and amount deposited each calendar month at each authorised Deposit Area. Where no deposit is made in a given period a NIL return is required.

**3.24.2** If this Licence expires during the course of the calendar year and is not renewed or superseded by a further Licence relating to the Licensed Activities specified in paragraph 2.1, a certified return of quantities of substances or articles deposited under this Licence, shall be submitted not later than **28 working days** after the expiry date of this Licence.

**3.25 Written Record of Disposal Activities**

**3.25.1** Any person in charge of the loading of a vessel or any intermediate storage of the substances or articles prior to their deposit in the sea shall maintain a written record on the premises relating to individual cargoes or loads (received or dispatched). This written record shall include the following details:

**3.25.1.1** date and time each load was received or dispatched and the quantity;

**3.25.1.2** general description of the substances or articles and the name of the producer(s) or holder(s);

**3.25.1.3** registration numbers of vehicles delivering loads;

**3.25.1.4** consignment note numbers (if any);

**3.25.1.5** the reference number of the Licence issued under, Part 4 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009, which permits the substances or articles being loaded or stored to be deposited in the sea;

**3.25.1.6** name(s) of vessel or identification code and type of container into which substances or articles are loaded;

**3.25.1.7** signature(s) and status of the person or persons authorising loading of substances or articles to the vessel or container;

**3.25.1.8** the results of any checks carried out on the substances or articles prior to authorisation of loading.

**3.25.2** The Licence Holder and any Operator or Contractor responsible for loading, transportation or storage must ensure that only authorised personnel have access to the substances or articles for deposit.

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**3.25.3** The Master or the Officer of the Watch of each vessel, as referred to condition 3.12 of this Schedule, undertaking the deposit of any substances or articles specified in **Table 2** of this Schedule, shall maintain a written log of operations recording, in the English Language, the following information:

- 3.25.3.1** the name of the vessel;
- 3.25.3.2** the quantity and type of each substance or article loaded for deposit;
- 3.25.3.3** the date and time of departure from the port or site at which the substances or articles are loaded for deposit in the sea and time of arrival (and date if different) at the Deposit Area on each occasion that it proceeds to and from such area;
- 3.25.3.4** latitude and longitude position (in degrees and minutes and decimal of a minute to at least one decimal place) of the vessel at intervals of not more than 20 minutes throughout the deposit operation which for the purpose of this Licence shall be the commencement of loading (including the dredging) each consignment of material for deposit in the sea through to the completion of the placement or deposit of the material in the Deposit Area;
- 3.25.3.5** the time taken to complete the deposit operation and a statement of the reasons for any delays;
- 3.25.3.6** courses and speeds together with any alterations throughout each deposit operation (multiple changes may be recorded as "various");
- 3.25.3.7** the rate of discharge or deposit, together with any variations, throughout deposit operations;
- 3.25.3.8** weather, sea-state, wind and tidal set, and rate throughout deposit operations; and
- 3.25.3.9** the signature of the Master at the foot of each log sheet or page of the record.

**3.25.4** All deposit vessels are required to carry an Admiralty Chart of appropriate scale to be used in navigation on which the co-ordinates of the licensed Deposit Area(s), as specified in **Table 5**, should be marked.

**3.26 Compensation Plan**

**3.26.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Compensation Plan to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of the Licensed Activities listed in **Table 1** and **Table 2**. No Licensed Activities may be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.26.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.26.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

### **3.27 Bathing Water Mitigation Plan**

**3.27.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Bathing Water Mitigation Plan to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of the Licenced Activities in the nearshore or on the foreshore listed in **Table 1**. Licensed Activities may not be undertaken in the nearshore or on the foreshore prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.27.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.27.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

### **3.28 Marine Mammal Mitigation Plan**

**3.28.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Marine Mammal Mitigation Plan to the Licensing Authority for written approval **4 weeks** prior to commencement of Licenced Activity 4 listed in **Table 1**. Licensed Activity 4 may not be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.28.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.28.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

### **3.29 Timing Restrictions**

**3.29.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that no Licensed Activities can take place in the nearshore or on the foreshore between **01 July** and **31 August** inclusive, to avoid peak tourist seasons, without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.29.3** The Licence Holder must ensure that no Licensed Activities can take place in the nearshore or on the foreshore **two days before and after bank holidays**, to avoid peak tourist seasons, without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority.

### **3.30 Noisy Activities**

**3.30.1** The Licence Holder must complete an entry into the UK Marine Noise Registry detailing the proposed dates and locations and nature of Licensed Activity 4 at least **10 days** prior to the commencement of the Licensed Activities.



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**3.30.2** The Licence Holder must amend the UK Marine Noise Registry proposed activity form should the timing of Licensed Activity 4 listed in **Table 1** alter or no longer remain part of the project.

**3.30.3** The Licence Holder must complete an entry into the UK Marine Noise Registry detailing the actual dates and locations and nature of Licensed Activity 4 listed in **Table 1** within **8 weeks** of completion of the noisy activity.

### **3.31 Rock Protection**

**3.31.1** The Licence Holder must ensure that within **3 months** of completion of Licensed Activity 2 listed in **Table 1**, the location of the cable as laid with specific details of the locations of buried and surface-laid cables, the placed location and quantity of rock placement or rock mattresses used must be submitted to the Licensing Authority.

**3.31.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any rock misplaced or lost below Mean High Water Springs is reported to the Welsh Government Marine Enforcement Office, Maritime and Coastguard Agency and the Licensing Authority within **48 hours**, and located and recovered as directed by the Licensing Authority.

**3.31.3** The Licence Holder must ensure that rock protection is only used where adequate burial cannot be achieved.

### **3.32 Navigable Water Depth**

The Licence Holder must ensure that any depth reductions resulting from the Licensed Activities do not compromise safe navigation and that there is no more than 5% reduction in surrounding depth referenced to Chart Datum at any point without prior written approval from the Licensing Authority.

### **3.33 Written Scheme of Investigation**

The Licence Holder must ensure that Licensed Activities are carried out in accordance with the Written Scheme of Investigation, dated 17 June 2019. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

### **3.34 Anchorage Locations**

The Licence Holder must ensure that no Licensed Activities encroach on any recognised anchorage, either charted or noted in nautical publications, within the proposed consent area.

### **3.35 Scour Monitoring**

**3.35.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Scour Monitoring Plan to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of Licensed Activity 2 listed in **Table 1**.

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- 3.35.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.35.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.
- 3.35.3** The Licence Holder must submit a Scour Monitoring Report following completion of any survey detailed within the Scour Monitoring Plan detailed in condition 3.35.1 to the Licensing Authority for written approval within **6 months** of each Scour Monitoring Survey being carried out.
- 3.35.4** If the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.35.3 identifies scour development, the Licence Holder must provide recommendations within the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.35.3 to prevent any further scour development.
- 3.35.5** The Licence Holder must ensure that any proposed mitigation to prevent scour development outlined in the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.35.3 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority.

**3.36 Cable Burial Plan**

- 3.36.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Cable Burial Plan to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of Licenced Activities 1, 2, 4 and 5 listed in **Table 1** and **Table 2**. Licensed Activities 1, 2, 4 and 5 may not be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.
- 3.36.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.36.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

**3.37 Anchor Deployment**

The Licence Holder must ensure that deployment of anchors and anchor chains on the seabed must be kept to a minimum to reduce disturbance to the seabed.

**3.38 Compass Deviation**

- 3.38.1** If requested by the License Authority, the Licence Holder must undertake a Compass Deviation Survey and submit a monitoring report to the Licensing Authority for written approval within **6 months** of the request being made.
- 3.38.2** If the results of the survey detailed in condition 3.38.1 identifies compass deviation, the Licence Holder must provide recommendations within the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.38.1 to prevent compass deviation.

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**3.38.3** The Licence Holder must ensure that any proposed mitigation to prevent compass deviation outlined in the monitoring report detailed in condition 3.38.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority.

**3.39 Cable Maintenance**

**3.39.1** The Licence Holder must submit a Cable Maintenance Method to the Licensing Authority for written approval **8 weeks** prior to commencement of Licenced Activity 3 listed in **Table 1**. Licensed Activity 3 may not be undertaken prior to written approval from the Licensing Authority.

**3.39.2** The Licence Holder must ensure that any actions outlined in the documents detailed in condition 3.39.1 are implemented as approved in writing by the Licensing Authority. Any proposed changes to the actions outlined in the documents must be submitted to, and agreed in writing by the Licensing Authority prior to any changes being enacted.

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#### **4 INTERPRETATION**

In this Licence terms are as defined in section 115 of the Marine and Coastal Access Act unless otherwise stated.

- (a) **"2009 Act"** means the Marine and Coastal Access Act 2009;
- (b) **"Approved Application"** means the Marine Licence Application Form together with the Approved Supporting Documents;
- (c) **"Approved Supporting Documents"** means the documents supporting, or supplementary to, the Approved Application, submitted prior to the Licence Issue Date, listed in the Table at paragraph 2.3 above;
- (d) **"Commencement"** means the first undertaking of any Licensed Activities;
- (e) **"Force majeure"** may be deemed to apply when, due to stress of weather or any other cause, the master of a vessel determines that it is necessary to deposit the substances or articles because the safety of human life and/or of the vessel is threatened;
- (f) **"Licensed Activities"** means the activities authorised by this licence as specified in 2.1;
- (g) **"Licensed Area"** means the area within which Licensed Activities are authorised by this licence as specified in section 2.2;
- (h) **"Licence Holder"** means the person(s) or organisation(s) named in section 1.2 to whom this licence is granted;
- (i) **"Licence Period"** means the period beginning with the Licence Start Date and ending on the Licence End Date;
- (j) **"Licensing Authority"** means Natural Resources Wales acting on behalf of the Welsh Ministers;
- (k) **"Marine Enforcement Officers"** means the relevant officers appointed by Welsh Ministers under section 235 of the 2009 Act, contact details for whom are provided in section 5;
- (l) **"Marine Licence Application Form"** means the application form forming part of the application referred to in paragraph 1.1;
- (m) **"Method Statement"** means the Method Statement(s) forming part of the Approved Application or Approved Supporting Documents;

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- (n) **“Works”** means any construction activities comprised in the Licensed Activities and, where the context permits, includes any plant, equipment or materials used to carry out those activities or operations but excludes monitoring, minor routine maintenance or other ongoing operational activities following completion of any construction activities;
- (o) all times shall be taken to be the time in Greenwich Mean Time (GMT) on any given day;
- (p) all co-ordinates shall be taken to be latitude and longitude degrees and minutes to two decimal
- (q) in the event of any discrepancy between the coordinates listed in paragraph 2.2 and the plan attached at Appendix 1, the coordinates shall take precedence.

## **5 CONTACTS**

**Except where otherwise indicated, the primary point of contact with the Licensing Authority and the address for returns, correspondence and requests for variations of the licence is:**

Marine Licensing Team  
Natural Resources Wales  
Permitting Service  
29 Newport Road  
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Cardiff  
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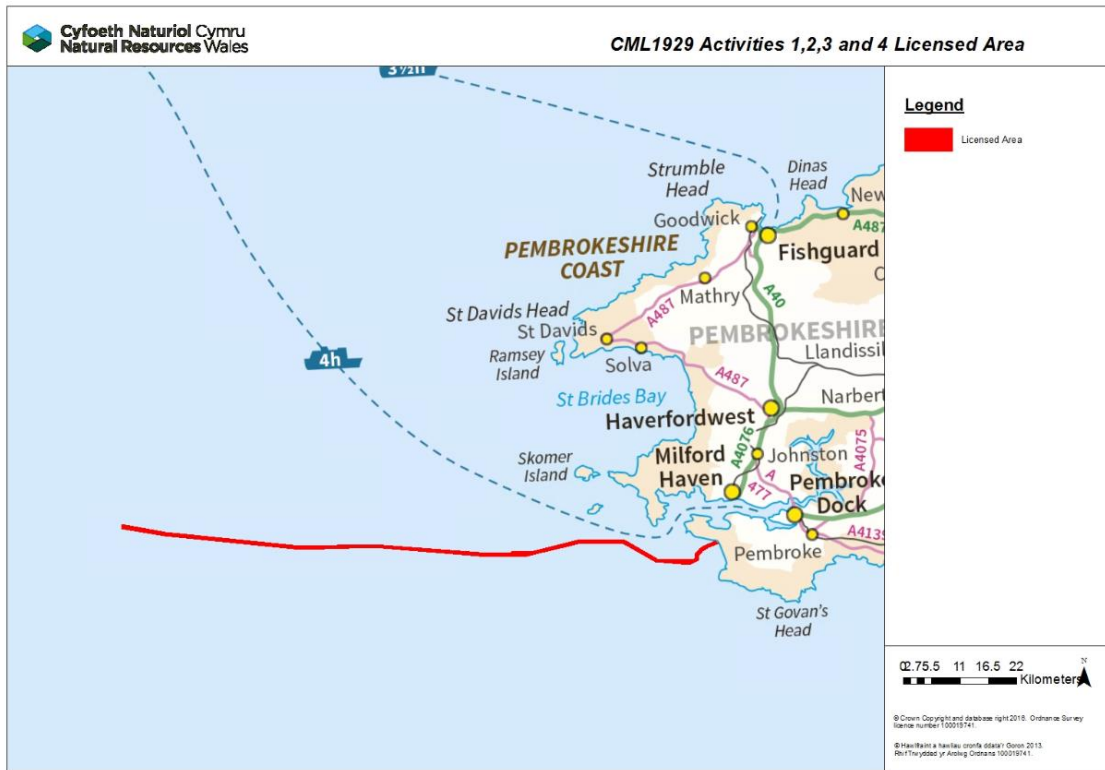
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**Marine Enforcement Officers may be contacted at:**

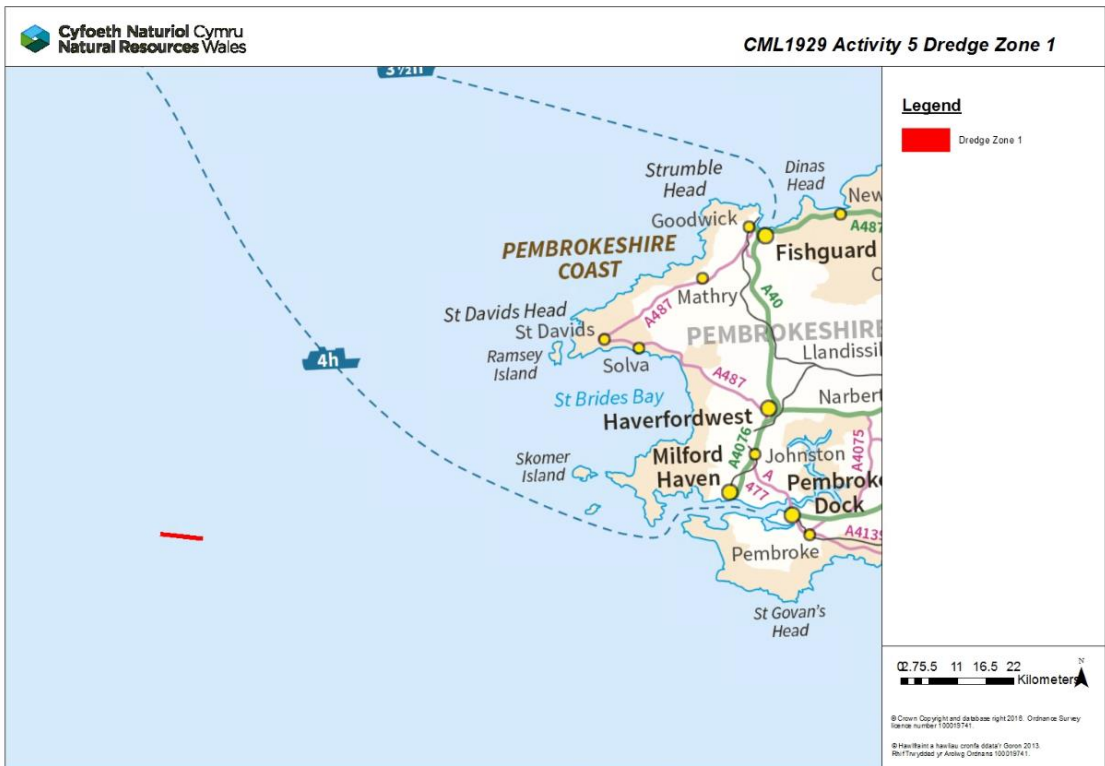
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## Appendix 1 – CML1929 Licensed Activities 1, 2, 3 and 4 Licensed Area



## Appendix 2 – CML1929 Licnesed Activity 5 Dredge Zone



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### Appendix 3 – CML1929 Licensed Activity 5 Deposit Area

