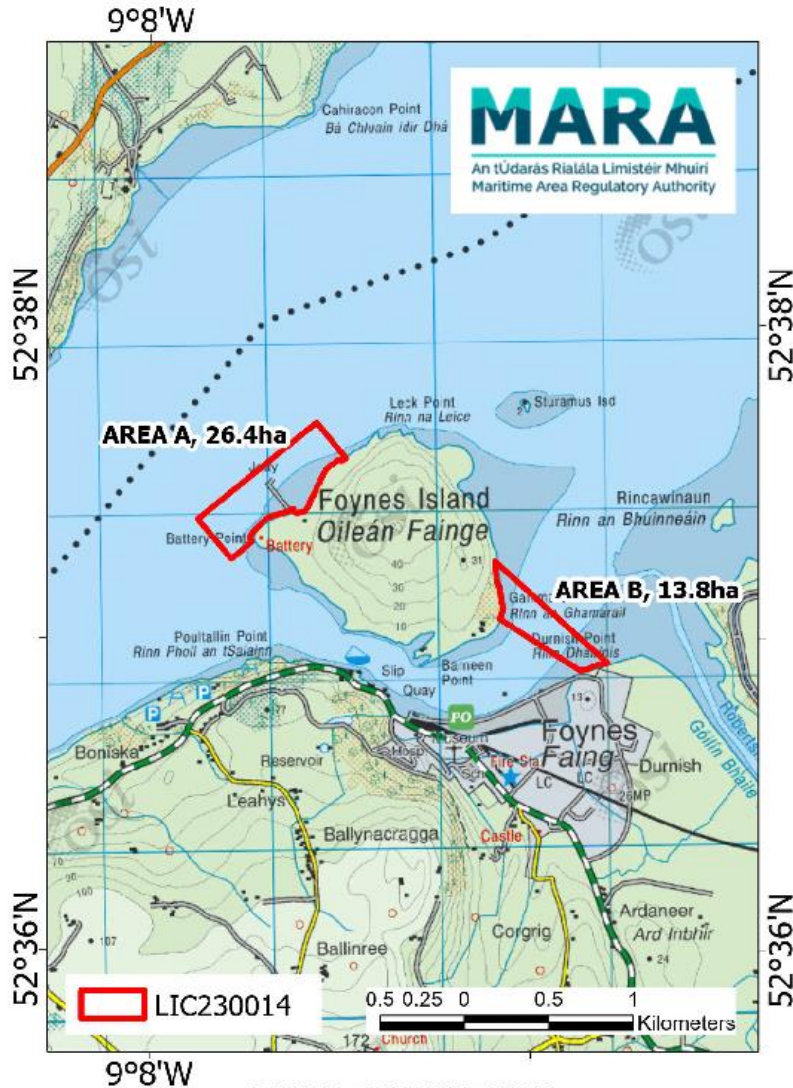


PUBLIC NOTICE

The Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 and the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011

Invitation for public submissions on an application for a maritime usage licence and an appropriate assessment

Shannon Foynes Port Company has applied to the Maritime Area Regulatory Authority (“MARA”) for a maritime usage licence under section 117 of the Maritime Area Planning Act 2021 to carry out marine environmental surveys for the purposes of site investigation at Foynes Island, Foynes, Co. Limerick. The proposed works include both geophysical and geotechnical marine surveys. The proposed geophysical surveys include Side Scan Sonar, Sub-bottom profiler, Multibeam Echosounder and Magnetometer. The proposed geotechnical surveys will include up to 163 No. cable percussion and/or rotary core Boreholes. The licence application is for a period of 7 years.



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A related Natura impact statement has been submitted with the above licence application. The licence application and the Natura impact statement are available for inspection on MARA's website [LIC230014 - MARA - The Maritime Regulator](https://www.mara.gov.ie/LIC230014) and at the following address by appointment – Maritime Area Regulatory Authority, 2nd Floor, Menapia House, Drinagh Business Park, Drinagh, Wexford, Y35 RF29.

Members of the public who wish to make a submission in writing to MARA on the licence application and the Natura impact statement may do so quoting ref: LIC230014 to the following e-mail address licence@mara.gov.ie or by post to the following address - Licence Unit, Maritime Area Regulatory Authority, 2nd Floor, Menapia House, Drinagh Business Park, Drinagh, Wexford, Y35 RF29.

The closing date and time for a written submission to be received by MARA is 17.30 on 10 June 2024.

MARA will then, as soon as practicable, carry out the appropriate assessment determination in accordance with regulation 42 of the European Communities (Birds and Natural Habitats) Regulations 2011. After the determination, MARA will either grant, part grant or refuse the licence application.

Dated this 11 day of May 2024

The Maritime Area Regulatory Authority