

An Bord Achomhairc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



FAO: Dr David O'Neill
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Cork

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Our Ref: AP1/1-3/2022
Site Ref: T05/640A

Re: Appeals by Paul and Kate Brooks on behalf of Residents of Dooneen, Friends of Doneen Pier & Fishermens Inshore Saltwater Heritage Ltd against the decision by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant an Aquaculture Licence to Bantry Marine Research Station Ltd for authorisation to cultivate various aquatic plants using longlines on the sub-tidal foreshore on site ref T05/640A adjacent to Dooneen Pier, along the north shore of Dunmanus Bay, Co. Cork

Dear Dr O'Neill,

We refer to the above Appeal received by the Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board ("the Board") on dates between 16 December and 28 December 2022. Further details of the nature and extent of the proposed aquaculture activity the subject of the Appeal can be found at:

<https://www.alab.ie/activeappeals/appealsyearsreceived/appealsreceivedin2022/ap11-32022/#d.en.186715>

Pursuant to **Section 47(1)(a)** of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act, 1997, as amended, ("the Act"), where the Board is of the opinion that any document, particulars or other information is or are necessary for the purposes of enabling the Board determine the Appeal, it may serve a notice on a party requiring that party to submit to the Board such documents, particulars or other information as are specified in the Notice.

Having considered the appeal and the information provided to it, the Board has determined that further documents are necessary for the purposes of enabling the Board determine the Appeal.

The Board hereby requires you to provide the following:

1. The proposed months of the year the seaweed farm will be in operation for annually

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2. The proposed harvesting schedule in terms of frequency, approximate time of the year and access requirements for Dooneen Pier
3. Proposed maintenance requirements in terms of frequency of access to site via Dooneen Pier
4. Details on the use of an alternative pier as outlined in your submission to the Minister of Agriculture, Food & The Marine (find attached) to include a map and proposed access route.

In accordance with section 47 (1) (a) of the Act, the Board requires this information within **30 days** from the date of this letter. Therefore, such submissions or observations must be received by ALAB not later than 06 November 2023.

Please note that if the documents, particulars or other information specified above are not received before the expiration of the period specified above, or such later period as may be agreed by the Board, the Board will, without further reference to you, determine the appeal.

Please also note that a person who refuses or fails to comply with a requirement under section 47 (1)(a) shall be guilty of an offence.

Should you require any clarification in terms of this request for additional information, please contact Dr Ciar O'Toole, Technical Advisor to the ALAB Board on ciar.otoole@alab.ie or 087-4097160.

Finally, please note that hard copies of the files referred to in this letter are available on request by contacting the undersigned by letter, email or phone - The Secretary, Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board, Kilminchy Court, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co Laois. R32 DTW5, Email: info@alab.ie telephone number: 0578631912

Yours sincerely



Margaret Carton
Secretary to the Board