

Save Kilmakilloge Group

/
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board (ALAB),
Kilminchy Court,
Portlaoise,
Co. Laois,

23 Oct 2019

To whom it may concern

Re : Appeal request for Aquaculture Licence Granted to Kush Seafarms Ltd Site Ref No : T06/513A

We, a group of local mussel farmers, inshore fishermen, tourist businesses, residents and regular visitors would like to request an appeal and oral hearing to the granting of a licence to the above.

Our principle concerns are

- Site is over traditional fishing grounds.
- Impeding of main navigation route into the harbour.
- Overstocking of the harbour with mussels threatening livelihood of existing mussel farmers.

Secondary concerns are

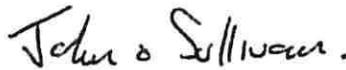
- Visual and other environmental impacts
- Tourism impact

These concerns are further elaborated in 3 categories as follows

- Local inshore fishermen
- Local existing mussel farmers
- Other interested parties (Tourism, residents and regular visitors)

We would to grateful for your serious consideration of this appeal.

Yours faithfully



John O'Sullivan (for the fishermen)



Raymond Ross (for Mussel farmers)



Janet Hawker (Other)

ATTACHMENTS

- 1) ALAB Appeal Application Form
- 2) Bank Draft
- 3) Appeal for Oral Hearing Form
- 4) Letter of appeal from Inshore Fishermen
- 5) Letter of appeal from Local Mussel Farmers
- 6) Appeal from Other Interested parties
 - a) Letter of Appeal
 - b) Email request for support
 - c) List of signatories
 - d) Supplementary Emails from local tourist businesses
 - e) Wild Atlantic Way viewpoint maps and photos

NOTICE OF APPEAL UNDER SECTION 40(1) OF FISHERIES (AMENDMENT) ACT 1997 (NO. 23)



Appeal Form

Please note that this form will only be accepted by REGISTERED POST or handed in to the ALAB offices

Name of Appellant (block letters)	SAVE KILMAKILLOGE GROUP		
Address of Appellant	% HAWKER		
	LOUGHANACREEN		
	LAURAGH		
	KILLARNEY		
	FERRY V93 DELP		
Phone:		Email:	
Mobile:		Fax:	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

Fees

Fees must be received by the closing date for receipt of appeals	Amount	Tick
Appeal by licence applicant	€380.92	<input type="checkbox"/>
Appeal by any other individual or organisation	€152.37	<input type="checkbox"/>
Request for an Oral Hearing * (fee payable in addition to appeal fee) <small>* In the event that the Board decides not to hold an Oral Hearing the fee will not be refunded.</small>	€76.18	<input type="checkbox"/>
(Cheques Payable to the Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board in accordance with the Aquaculture Licensing Appeals (Fees) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 449 of 1998))		
Electronic Funds Transfer Details	IBAN: IE89AIBK93104704051067	BIC: AIBKIE2D

Subject Matter of the Appeal

GRANTING OF MUSSEL LICENSE TO 6/513A
IN KILMAKILLOGE HARBOUR

AQUACULTURE LICENCES
APPEALS BOARD
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Site Reference Number:- (as allocated by the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine)	T06/513A
Appellant's particular interest in the outcome of the appeal:	
Loss of traditional fishing grounds, Navigation route, viability of existing mussel farms, tourism and amenity.	
Outline the grounds of appeal (and, if necessary, on additional page(s) give full grounds of the appeal and the reasons, considerations and arguments on which they are based):	
see attached letters documentation.	
Signed by appellant	<u>Geet Hawke</u> Date: <u>24 Oct 2019</u>
Please note that this form will only be accepted by REGISTERED POST or handed in to the ALAB offices	
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This notice should be completed under each heading and duly signed by the appellant and be accompanied by such documents, particulars or information relating to the appeal as the appellant considers necessary or appropriate and specifies in the Notice.

DATA PROTECTION – the data collected for this purpose will be held by ALAB only as long as there is a business need to do so and may include publication on the ALAB website

Please forward completed form to: Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board, Kilminchy Court, Dublin Road, Portlaoise, Co. Laois. Tel: (057) 8631912 Email: info@alah.ie

3. oral hearing

Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board (ALAB),

Kilminchy Court,

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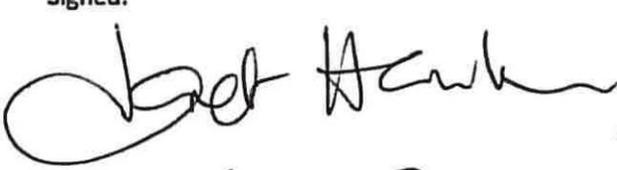
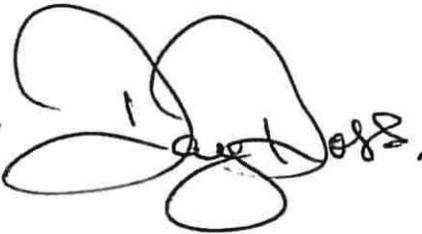
Co. Laois,

Request for Oral Hearing on The Licencing of Mussel Farms In Killmackiloge Harbour:

We request an oral hearing on the following grounds

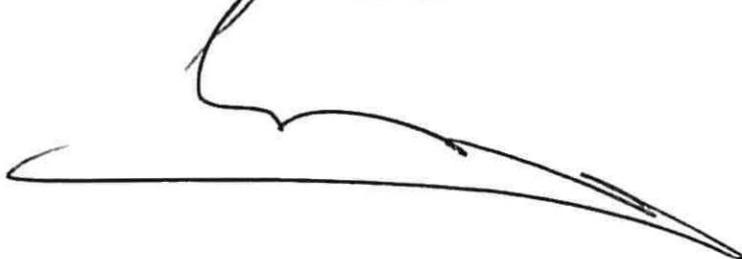
1. There is great public disquiet as to how the licencing of Killmackiloge harbour has been carried out and a belief one company has been looked after at the expense of traditional fisheries, Tourism interest, the environment and the existing small mussel farms.
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3. There was no consultation with fishermen who are gravely impacted and the local community.
4. No scientific research was carried out into the impact of this site on wild fisheries and a Carrying Capacity Report was never commissioned into the impact on existing mussel activities.

Signed:

at

John O'Sullivan



4. LETTER FROM FISHERMEN.

Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board (ALAB),

Kilminchy Court,

Portlaoise,

Co. Laois,

Date 24th Oct., 19.

Appeal of Decision To Grant Six Hectar Mussel Licence T06/513A:

We are the licenced fishermen, who operate in Kilmackiloge Harbour

We Appeal on the following grounds,

1. This site is on our traditional fishing grounds which have been fished for generations for scallop, shrimp, prawns and lobster.
2. There was no consultation with the fishermen with regard to the expansion of mussel sites in the harbour.
3. There are already abandoned mussel site, sunken and broken mussel lines in the harbour, sites that are not productive and we cannot see the logic of more been added to this mess.
4. The site is in the navigation channel at the mouth of the harbour and boats entering will now have to manoeuvre around these lines if site is granted.
5. It was agreed with the department 35yrs ago that these areas are traditional fishing grounds and should not be licenced for mussel farming, (see attached map Department map showing site T06/156 which was rejected on the grounds it was scallop ground, as was written in by then department engineer Micheal O'Driscoll at the time)

This site will reduce our already small area for fishing and will definitely reduce our income and make our tradional fishing less viable

Signed:

John O'Sullivan

Denis Brennan

Eugene McCarty

Theron Lyons

~~Tommy Hayes~~

Denis Healy

Licence No.

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S 659.

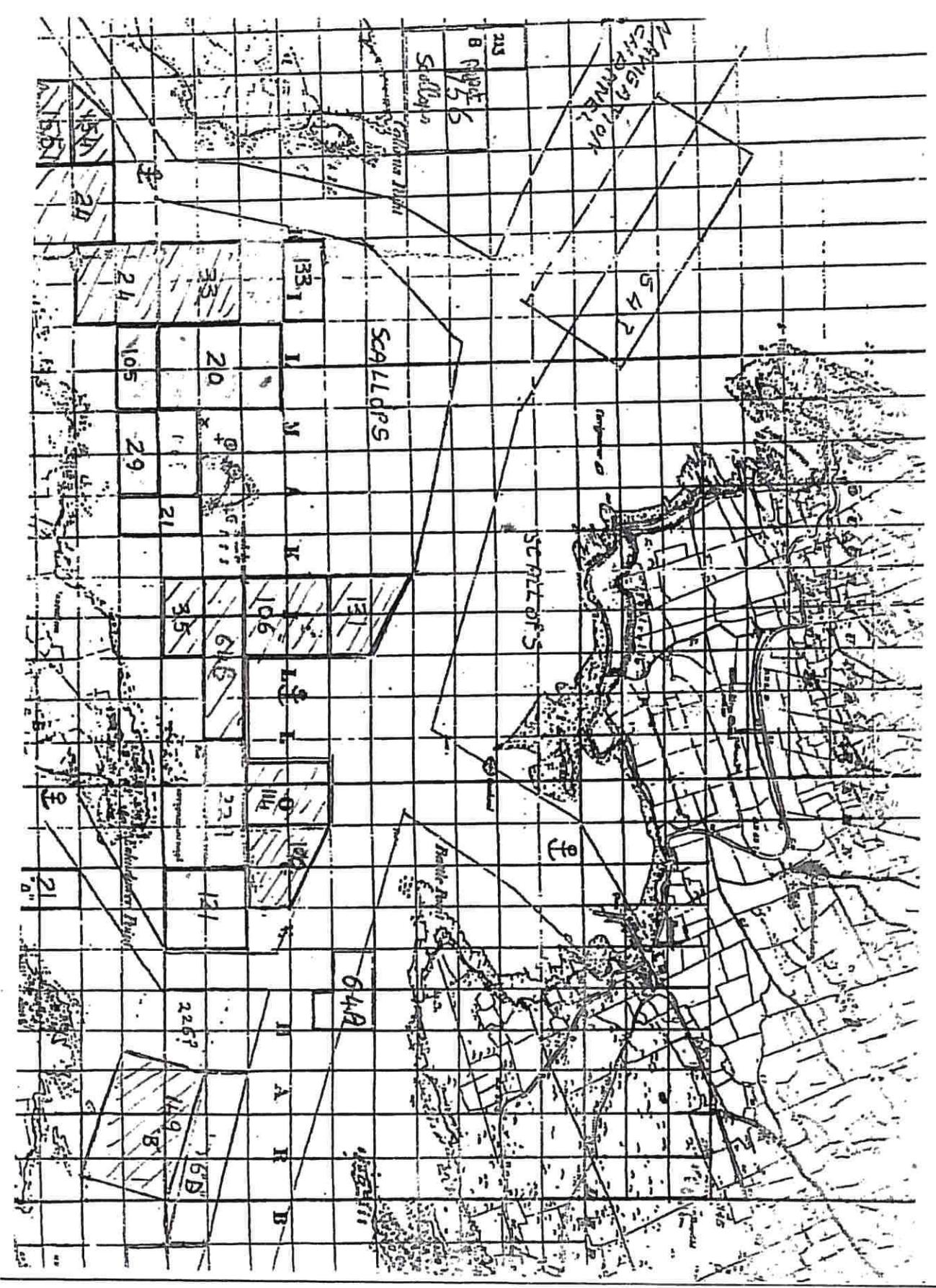
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Signed:

D. LETTER FROM MUSSEL FARMERS

APPEAL AGAINST THE GRANTING OF License Ref. T06/513A to Kush Sea farms Ltd for six hectares at the mouth of Kilmakiloge Harbour on the Kenmare Bay.

Kilmakiloge Independent Mussel Farmers Appeal:

We the independent mussel farmers of Kilmackilloge Harbour are objecting to the granting of a licence Ref. T06/513A to Kush Seafarms Ltd for six hectares at the mouth of the harbour for the following reasons;

1. There was no carrying capacity report carried out.
2. No research was done into the impact of this licence on the existing sites in the harbour.
3. Our sites vary in size from 3-8 hectares and any extra capacity should have been given to make our sites more viable and not to a company that already has in excess of 50 hectares licenced.
4. We have had to give up capacity in the *reconfiguration* of the harbour and it is not right or fair that this capacity is to be transferred to one individual farm.
5. The way the licencing has been handled in Kenmare Bay calls into question the processes involved in the licencing system and the credibility of our licences.
6. The whole process has divided mussel farmers, fishermen and the local community. It is clear the licencing processes gone through in Kenmare Bay has facilitated one company, Kush Seafarms Ltd, to the detriment of all other interests (existing mussel farmers, fishermen and tourism). This will create conflict between the main users of the harbour as a result of the loss of traditional fishing ground to mussel farming.
7. Kush Seafarms licence application **T06/513A** is at the mouth of Kilmakiloge Harbour and is directly in the path of the incoming tidal, stream which enters the bay providing plankton and seed mussels to all the farms within. As such it will be in the optimum mussel growth position and will without a shadow of a doubt have a detrimental effect on plankton levels available to every other farm within the bay. The impact on capacity of a site in this location will be many times more than lines further within the harbour.

8. Over the years, several applications for licenses have been applied for in this area and all have been refused due to the various reasons such as navigation concerns, mooring area, fishing grounds, visual impact and the ban on further licenses within the bay. Another application alongside T06/513A was refused on navigation concerns so how can a bigger farm alongside not be a problem?
9. The small bay (Murphy's cove) where T06/513A is situated is bang on the long standing compass bearing and transit line for entering Kilmakiloge Harbour.
10. The application is almost entirely blocking the first and safest possible mooring or "bolt hole" safe area for any vessel running before a westerly or south-westerly storm or heavy seas and even more so because any visiting vessel not knowing the layout of the existing mussel longlines further into the harbour would be afraid or nervous of proceeding further into the harbour. The license application is also directly on the route past Collorus point into Collorus harbour which would be the second safest mooring possibility of any vessel in difficulty and seeking refuge in a storm. It is quite alarming that neither the Commissioners for Irish Lights, the Marine Engineering Division or the Marine Survey Office have objected to this application on navigation or bolt hole/mooring grounds while another much smaller sized application just alongside was refused for just that reason!
11. The site T06/513A is directly over Scallop and Shrimp fishing grounds and as the general area is sheltered from the prevailing westerly winds it is a popular dredging area during rough weather.

Ross Shellfish Ltd, Reenkill, Lauragh, Kerry

Carl Daly & Son, Drombouilly, Tuosist, Kerry

Shamrock Shellfish Ltd, Killowen, Kenmare, Kerry

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Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board (ALAB),
Kilminchy Court,
Portlaoise,
Co. Laois,

7 Oct 2019

To whom it may concern

Re : Appeal request for Aquaculture Licence Granted to Kush Seafarms Ltd Site Ref No : T06/513A

We, the undersigned, would like to appeal the granting to the above of an aquaculture licence for a 6 hectare mussel farm on the following grounds

1. TOURISM AND AMENITY

- 1.1. It is in direct view of a Wild Atlantic Way viewpoint. This tourist route has been developed at huge expense to the public purse. Putting a large mussel farm in an area currently pristine and in the foreground of a magnificent vista down the Kenmare Bay to the Atlantic is crazy (see attached pictures and charts.). Tourism is vital to this area.
- 1.2. It impacts on amenity activities such as sea-angling, divers and leisure boating/kayaking. These amenities have huge potential for environmental tourism. This area of Kilmakilloge Harbour is one of the few areas of the harbour without any mussel farms. It is one of the best spots for mackerel, is used by scuba divers, pleasure craft, kayakers and occasionally as an anchorage for a visiting yachts.
- 1.3. There would be a potential increase in shoreline rubbish from storm damage and careless throwing away of bits of rope etc which already impacts this area from existing mussel farms in the area. This site would be more effected by storms resulting in even more plastic rubbish being washed up on the shoreline below the Wild Atlantic Viewpoint and the popular swimming beach in Loughaunacreen Harbour

1. NAVIGATION

- 1.1. It is in the direct line from the mouth of the harbour to the Port side buoy directing shipping along the western side of the bay. Boats entering Kilmakilloge Harbour will have to make a detour around the mussel farm. Visiting yachts are already deterred by the mussel farms further in the harbour and this one obstructs the entrance making quite a tight passage between the farm and the port side buoy.

2. EXISTING MUSSEL FARMS & FISHERMEN

- 2.1. It has a high potential to further reduce the viability of the existing mussel farms further into the harbour by capturing the natural spat fall and nutrients in the waters coming in from the main Kenmare Bay. We support the existing mussel farms and understand that they are fearful for the viability of their businesses. This new location away from the bulk of the farms is basically blocking the doorway into the harbour.
- 2.2. We are afraid that if the existing farms are abandoned all the infrastructure in the sea will be left as no one will be able to afford to clear it away. This would be a disaster for the harbour scenically and environmentally.

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- 2.3. The mussel farming in this area was an attempt to bring family sized businesses back to rural areas. It achieved this. Most of the existing mussel farmers here are part of that original group and are still operating as small independent businesses. Every single family and job counts in this area. This application has been granted to one of the biggest mussel businesses in the area who already has substantial farms in the adjoining Ardgroom harbour.
- 2.3.1. Out of 11 recent new applications for farms in Kilmakilloge 9 were rejected and 2 accepted. Both of which were by Kush Seafarms. If it was deemed that there was room for 8 additional hectares within the harbour surely it would be fairer to share the accepted applications between the other farmers.
- 2.3.2. There is no guarantee that licences given out for free by the state are not subsequently sold as assets to international businesses, further weakening local engagement.
- 2.4. There is an apparent conflict between the granting of this licence with an adjoining rejected application. An application for 6 hectares has been granted on the grounds that it would not have significant visual impact or affect existing sites, yet another application (T06/495A) for 2.5 hectares alongside was rejected on grounds of
- 2.4.1. increased negative visual impact;
- 2.4.2. Negative impact on the existing licensed sites in the harbour
- 2.5. The location also impacts on local inshore commercial fishing activities which is important to the locality. This area is used by the shrimpers and the scallopers; especially when the weather is too bad for their small boats to go into the main Kenmare Bay. They have already been excluded from extensive parts of the harbour by the existing mussel farms. The sea is part of the commons and we believe these long-standing local businesses are being unfairly restricted from their traditional fishing grounds.

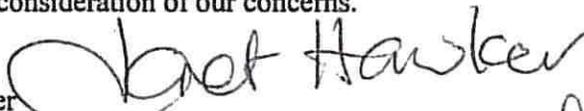
3. ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES

- 3.1. We believe there is a place for aquaculture of shellfish in this area with its clean water. We understand rope grown mussel and kelp farms can be combined, leading to increased biodiversity and sustainability. Kelp draws down Carbon dioxide faster than trees and can be harvested for numerous uses. This could perhaps lead to the creation of a local processing business. This kind of integrated aquaculture is surely the way forward in this time of climate crisis. Help for existing mussel farmers to transition to this kind of aquaculture would be a better way forward.
- 3.2. The Kenmare Bay is a very special area. Recently local people had to fight to stop pair trawling in the Bay which has decimated marine wildlife. In the past over harvesting of sea urchins in the 1970's led to the now complete absence of them in tidal rock pools and they still have not recovered. A once abundant herring fishery in the Kenmare Bay was overfished and there are now no herring here. We need to stop these excessive forms of fishing and monoculture aquaculture and look to developing systems that restore the eco-system.

Thank you for your consideration of our concerns.

Yours faithfully
Janet Dunlop Hawker

acting for the following


see 6(c) list of signatories

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Janet Dunlop Hawker

From: Janet Dunlop Hawker
Sent: Wednesday 23 October 2019 12:53
Subject: Mussel farm appeal
Attachments: application T06 513A.pdf; mussel farm appeal killmac 513a.doc; Oral Hearing Request.docx

To whom it may concern

I thought you might be interested in joining the appeal as below

An application **has been granted** for a 6 hectare farm close to the mouth of the harbour at Collorus Point. This farm impacts the navigation route into the harbour, potential tourism and the livelihood of existing mussel, shrimp & scallop fishermen.

A group of people made up of existing mussel farmers, fishermen, tourist business and the general public are making a combined appeal against this farm. This group is called Save Kilmakilloge Group.

Attached is

- the original application which has maps at the end
- the proposed letter of appeal against the mussel farm at Collorus Point ref T06/513A.
- a request for an oral hearing.

If you would like to sign the appeal please reply to this email with the following details

Your name

Address

Interest in area (ie Business in area, Resident, Holiday property in area, Regular visitor)

Your reply will be deemed as your signature on the appeal and request for an oral hearing.

Please note there is a charge for the appeal (c €230) and we may need to ask for a small contribution towards this – no more than €5.

Thank you

Janet Dunlop Hawker

On behalf of the Save Kilmakilloge Group

We, the undersigned, would like to appeal the granting to the above of an aquaculture licence for a 6 hectare mussel farm Site Ref No : T06/513A at Collorus Point, Co Kerry. And to request an oral hearing

Name	Address	Interest in area	Business / Other
Anna Langford	Cummers, Lauragh	Local Resident	
Bernadette Kelly	Canfee, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Brian Coombs	Ardea Tuosist	Local Resident	kayaking
Chloe Hawker	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	Boating / Sea swimming
Claire Bunbury	Keeper's Cottage, Lauragh	Local Resident	sea swimmer
Claire O'Sullivan	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	
Colette Mouglin	Collarus, Lauragh	Local Resident	Business : Holiday rentals
Daniel Hawker	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	Sea angling / sea swimming
David Lewis	Tragalee, Tuosist	Local Resident	Sailor
Den O'Sullivan	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	
Dr Anne Good	Drumbohilly, Lauragh	Local Resident	sea swimmer
Gerry Landers	Tragalee, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Heather Coombs	Ardea, Tuosist	Local Resident	kayaker, sea swimmer
Helen Brosnan	Coornagillagh, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Helen Joyce	Drombohilly, Lauragh	Local Resident	Business : Cleo Gallery, Holiday letting
Jamie Bigham	Old Garda Station, Lauragh	Local Resident	Business : Derreen Garden Café
Janet Dunlop Hawker	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	Boating / Sea swimming
Judith Kimenai	Collarus, Lauragh	Local Resident	Immediately overlooking site
Julia Holland	Drombohilly, Lauragh	Local Resident	sailing, sea swimming
Karen O'Connor	Drumbohilly, Lauragh	Local Resident	sea swimmer
Kitty McNally	Collarus, Lauragh	Local Resident	Business : Holiday rentals
Mary Healy Whitling	Ardea West, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Maura Landers	Tragalee, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Pat Borst	Drombohilly, Lauragh	Local Resident	Business : Rosa Fishing and Scenic Boat trips in Kilmakilloge
Philip Hawker	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	Sea angling
Rachel Hawker	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	Local Resident	Boating / Sea swimming
Robert Kelly	Canfee, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Stella O'Meara	Tragalee, Tuosist	Local Resident	
Winsome S Aylett,	Paddy Murray's, Lauragh U	Local Resident	

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Name	Address	Interest in area	Business / Other
Andrew Hirst	Fahanach, Lauragh	Resident	Sailor
Chiara Rayner Rabjohns	Dromneavane, Kenmare	Resident	
Claudia Hirst	Fahanach, Lauragh	Resident	Sailor
Daniel Day	Dromneavane, Kenmare	Resident	Business, Dan's Donuts
David Fox	Lissyclearig, Kenmare	Resident	
Esther Rayner	Dromneavane, Kenmare	Resident	Business, Dan's Donuts
Gitti Maas	Pairc Roughty, Glanerought	resident	previous resident
Janet Fitzmaurice Hawker	Tahilla, Sneem	Resident	
Mags Mahony	Kenmare	Resident	Business, Magic Touch
Mr Robert Greenfield	Kilgarvan, Co Kerry	resident	boating / angling
Mrs Lucy Greenfield	Kilgarvan, Co Kerry	resident	boating / angling
Nigel Fitzmaurice Hawker	Tahilla, Sneem	Resident	
Pat O'Shea	Dromneavane Kenmare	Resident	
Paul Tanner	Bonane	Resident	Business : Kenmare Bay Diving operating in Kilmakilloge
Pepe Lovegrove	Kenmare	Resident	
Tom Meagher	Pairc na gloine, Kenmare	Resident	sailor

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Name	Address	Interest in area	Business / Other
Bill Hanlon	Collorus Point, Lauragh	holiday home	Immediately overlooking site
Catrin Lorch	Zur Mühle 21a,53639 König	holiday home	lifetime visitor
Charlie Bigham	Derreen House, Lauragh	holiday home	Business : Derreen Gardens (5000 visitors pa)
Christopher Taylor	Lehid, Lauragh	holiday home	regular visitor
Claire Worthington	Derreen, Lauragh	holiday home	Business : Derreen Gardens (5000 visitors pa)
Ed Butler	Rathgar, Dublin	holiday home	sea swimmer
Fiacra Wall	Cloghroe, Co Cork	holiday home	boating, sea swimming
Illann Wall	Cloghroe, Co Cork	holiday home	boating, sea swimming
Judy Harrington	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	holiday home	holiday rental
Kathleen O'Leary	Buffalo, NY	holiday home	family connections
Mari Wall	Bridgestown, Cloghroe , co	holiday home	sailing, boating
Michael Wall,	Lehid, Tuosist	holiday home	boating / angling
Neasa Wall	Cloghroe, Co Cork	holiday home	boating, sea swimming
Patrick Bigham	Beaumaris, Angeleseey, UK	holiday home	Boating / Sea swimming
Paul Harrington	Loughaunacreen, Lauragh	holiday home	holiday rental
Petra Biaghram	Derreen House, Lauragh	holiday home	Boating / Sea swimming
Shirley Taylor	Lehid, Lauragh	holiday home	regular visitor

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Name	Address	Interest in area	Business / Other
Aidan Aylett Chappell	Oakfield road, London	regular visitor	family connections
Annie Wintour	Bridport, Dorset, UK	Regular visitor	
Christopher Lambton	Chapelgill Broughton Biggar	Regular visitor	
Dan O'Sullivan	Ratoath, Co. Meath.	Regular visitor	previous resident
Heide und Uli von Mende	Melemstrasse 19 D - 60322	Regular visitor	
Holly Josephine Aylett,	Oakfield Road , London UK	Regular Visitor	family connections
Janet Boyd	Poulshot, Devizes	regular visitor	
Julia Rodriguez Fillol	Oakfield road, London	regular visitor	family connections
Julian Lambton	Grange-over-Sands, Cumbria	Regular visitor	
Lucinda Airy	Bridport, Dorset, UK	Regular visitor	
Mark and Sarah Outhwaite	Bromham, Wiltshire	Regular Visitor	
Mary Gunning	Garristown, Co. Dublin	Regular visitor	kayaking
Patrick Lambton	Salford, England	regular visitor	leisure fishing
Pilla Scott Moncrieff	Cluny Drive, Edinburgh	regular visitor	
Robert Meljer	Pücklerstr, Berlin 10997, Ge	Regular visitor	
Sandy Dunlop	Clare Island, Mayo	Regular visitor	

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Name	Address	Business affected (if applies)	Date
JENNIFER RINEY	Lauragh, Killarney, Co Kerry	Pedals & Pops Cafe	23/10/19
Kilian Murphy	Lauragh, Killarney		23/10/19.
Micron O'Donoghue	Tuosist, Killarney		22/10/19
Eileen O'Donoghue	Clonee, Tuosist, Killarney	Incoming Tour Operator Premier Travel Ltd.	22/10/19
Rebecca O'Donoghue	Clonee, Tuosist, Killarney		22/10/19
Caryll O'Donoghue	Tuosist Killarney		22/10/19
Mazie Harrington	Tuosist, Killarney		22/10/19
Ophelia Harrington	Tuosist Kermere Killarney		22/10/19
Teddy Harrington	Clonee Tuosist - Kermere		22/10/19
James Power	WGC, HERTS, ENGLAND-		22/10/19.
Linda Power	" " "		22/10/19
Thomas Harrington	Tuosist Co. Kerry		22/10/19.
George Harrington	Clonee, Tuosist Kerry		22/10/19
Carmel Harrington	Clonee, Tuosist, Kerry		22/10/19.
Alannah Harrington	Clonee, Tuosist		22/10/19
Conor Harrington	Clonee, Tuosist		22/10/19.
Katelyn O'Sullivan	Loughanacreeen Lauragh		23/10/19
Cornac O'Sullivan	Loughanacreeen Lauragh		23/10/19
Leah O'Sullivan	Loughanacreeen Lauragh		23/10/19

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acting for the following

Name	Address	email	Interest in area
J. BIGHAM	High Mill, Courtham, LEYBURN, M.YORKS DL6 4RN		RESIDENT.
Aultra Bigham	Derron-Lauragh Co Kerry		Family Home
David Bigham	" " " "		"

Janet Dunlop Hawker

From: Paul Tanner <[redacted]>
Sent: Saturday 12 October 2019 21:15
To: Janet Dunlop Hawker
Subject: Re: proposed mussel farm at Collorus Point ref T06/513A

I Paul Tanner,
Have been running the dive centre, " Kenmare Bay Diving" for 24 years out of Kilmackilloge harbour.

I would like to request an appeal and an oral hearing for the following reasons.

1. This site is used by me regularly to take tourists scuba diving
2. Kenmare Bay is a designated special area of conservation. Further expansion of intensive Aquaculture is contrary to the ethos of the natura 2000 directive.
3. Navigation in and out of Kilmackilloge harbour with my passenger licensed boat will be hampered. In fact in low light conditions such as fog, dawn and dusk this proposed farm would be a health and safety risk to all planning water craft.
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If this license is granted it will give said company the message that its permissible to keep on applying for new farms again and again. I feel that Kenmare Bay has reached saturation point in regards to the visual and environmental impact of mussel farms.

yours sincerely



KENMARE BAY DIVING

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On Sat, 12 Oct 2019 at 09:17, Paul Tanner <kenmarebaydiving@gmail.com> wrote:

I Paul Tanner,
Have been running the dive centre, " Kenmare Bay Diving" for 22 years out of Kilmackilloge harbour.

I would like to object to the above application for the following reasons.

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Regards



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Janet Dunlop Hawker

From: Charlie Bigham
Sent: Friday 18 October 2019 23:42
To:
Subject: Mussel farm

PROPRIETOR DERREEN GARDENS

Hi Janet

Just wanted to add my name to the list of people who have also signed your well considered letter.

As you know Derreen Garden is an important amenity in the local area and we welcome over 5,000 visitors a year. The reason many people come and visit is because of the natural unspoilt beauty of Kilmakilloge. As you point out we all support the mussel farms that are there as they provide important employment in the area. This proposed new development seems to be of an inappropriate and insensitive scale and to be sited in an ill considered location. As such we join you in being wholly opposed to it.

If there is anything else I can do to help with the campaign to make the authorities see sense then please let me know.

Best wishes

Charlie

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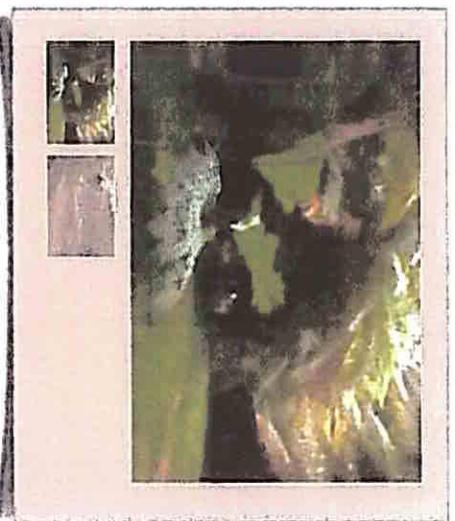
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Derreen Garden covers more than 60 acres of garden and has over 12km of paths which wind through mature and varied woodland to reveal wonderful views over Kinrossige Harbour, the Cahal Mountains and the distant McCulliscuddy Reeks. The garden is full of rare and exotic plants, many of which were brought back from the Himalayas and elsewhere. Derreen is particularly known for its collection of rhododendrons. The labyrinth of narrow mossy paths weave their way through groves of bamboo, towering eucalyptus, tree ferns and conifers, all thriving in the mild, damp climate. The garden is also a haven for wildlife and a habitat for Sika

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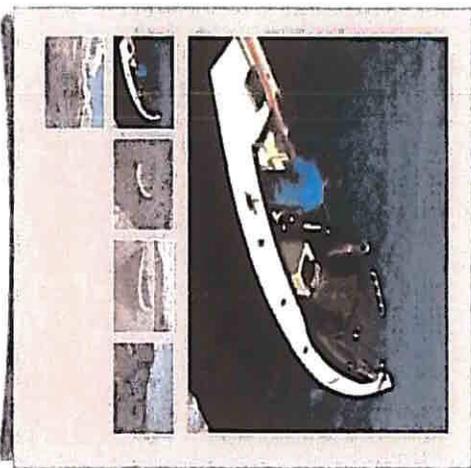
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Janet Dunlop Hawker

From: Pat Borst
Sent: Wednesday 23 October 2019 15:20
To:
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Subject: Killmakalogue appeal

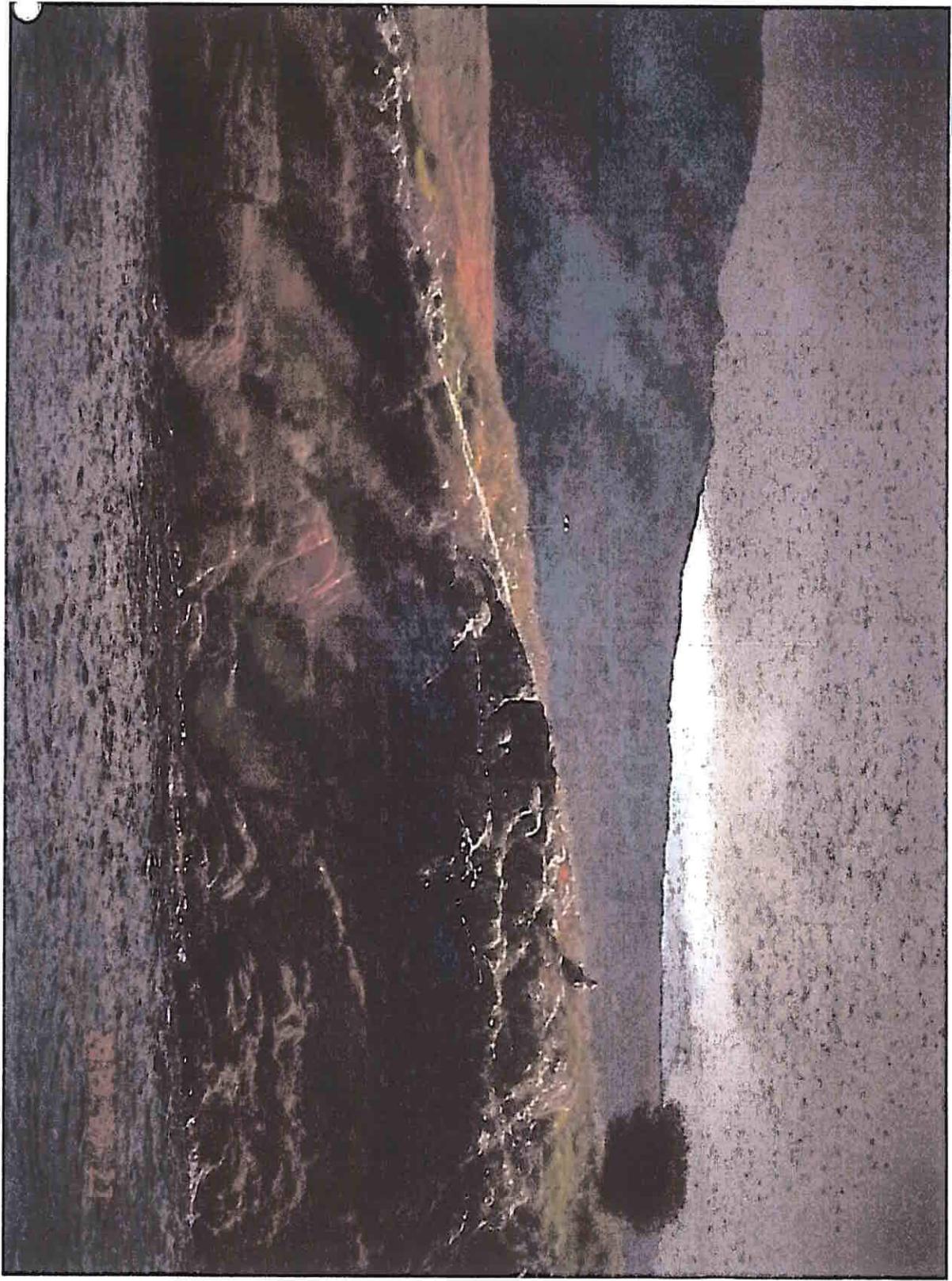
Proprietor ROSA SEA FISHERY + SCENIC TOURS

Hi Janet,
Had a call from Carl Daly to remind me to reply to you on the mussel issue. The following points are my own views and I hope they will be of some help.

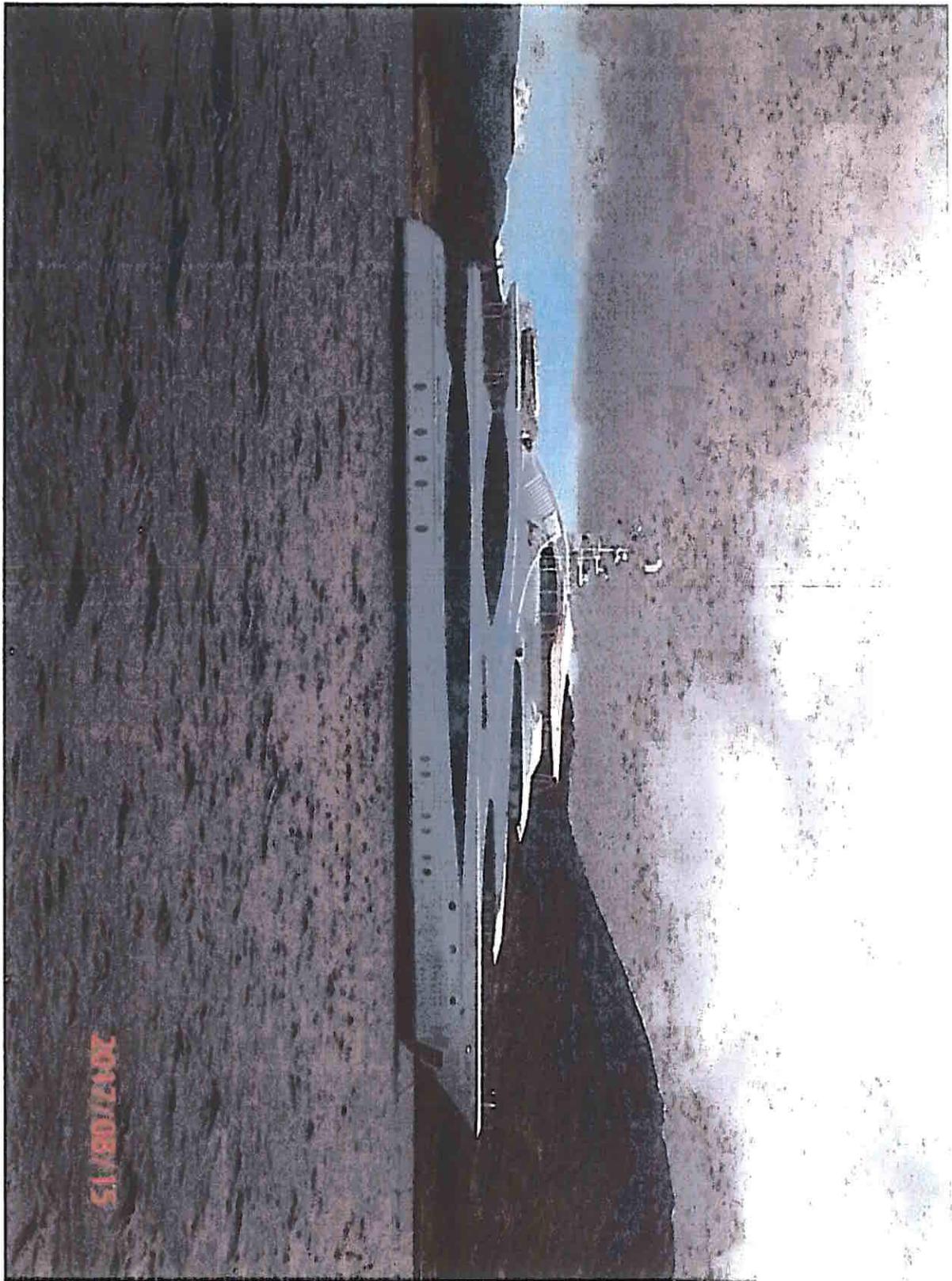
- The area off Spanish Island is my main concern because of the tern breeding which is taking place again after an absence of around 20 years. This, in my opinion, is because of less activity in that area due to the salmon farm closing down and the lessening of human activity around that immediate area. Birdwatch Ireland was informed about the terns, but has seen fit not to reply to me. There are approx 3 thousand birds on the island and birds identified have been common, little, arctic and roseate terns. Also breeding on the island are oyster catchers and little auks. These would definitely be impacted with more human activity in this area. See attached photos.
- The proposed location for mussel lines off Collorus will also have the following negative results.
 - The area is well known and used by local fisherman for lobster, crab, shrimp and scallop fishing.
 - The local sea eagles use this area as feeding points. See attached photos.
 - It will have a negative affect on the navigation channel to Killmakilloge harbour which is quite tight even now. Please bear in mind that this area has been historically used as a shelter for large vessels including the Irish navy in Southerly gales or when waiting on weather.
 - Since the advent of the Wild Atlantic way the coastal areas have been much more popular with so called super yachts and the money they bring in, see attached photo of Lady Christina in 2018~~19~~.
 - The proposed site will impact on my fishing charters as it affords a calm fishing area in strong Westerly winds, having a mussel farm there will restrict my movements to provide a service to tourists.
 - It will impact on existing mussel farmers in Killmakilloge as the number of droppers between barrels used in Ardgroom are twice the number used in Killmakilloge and will certainly impact on the growth of mussels on the existing mussel farms as the tidal currents will flow directly through the proposed area.
- The proposed farms will not in any way benefit Killmakilloge as the maintenance and harvesting is done from Ardgroom by their local labour and will be of detriment to existing farms and fauna within the harbour areas.

In conclusion since we have had the success in stopping the indiscriminate trawling of juvenile fish, whitebait, sand eels and sprat in Kenmare river the environment has really benefited. This in essence would be a retrograde step in further improving the environment for the benefit of locals and tourists alike.

Regards,
Pat.



SEA ABOVE
ON ROCKS
BY PROPOSED
MUSSEL FARM



SUPERVIZOR
LADY CHASIST

Janet Dunlop Hawker

From: Illann Wall
Sent: Wednesday 23 October 2019 15:40
To:
Subject: Appeal Ref. T06/513A

To whom it may concern,

My name is Illann Wall and I am writing to oppose the proposed development of a mussel farm on Kenmare Bay. I am a former resident of the area, and still regularly visit. Myself and my family often go on our boat on Kenmare bay and I am seriously concerned about the size of the development. I think it will negatively impact many aspects of the area including navigation on the harbour, biodiversity in the bay and the scenery and therefore tourism appeal of the area.

I am only 17 and therefore have many years left to be visiting the area and I do not wish for it to be spoiled by such large developments as this.

Sincerely,
Illann Wall

Sent from my iPhone

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