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For the attention of Marine Licensing Team

Our Ref: TSD-JBAU-XX-XX-RP-EN-XXXX-S0-P01-Marine_Licence_Letter_Sites_2_and_4C

6th October 2026

Dear Sir/Madam,

Translink Sea Defences: Coleraine-Derry Sea Defences Sites 2 and 4

Please find additional information to supplement the attached Marine Licence application form including a list of supporting documents.

The following paragraphs are where additional text was required to provide a full explanation within the application form.

Please note that within email communication with DAERA officer [redacted], it was confirmed that sites 2 and 4C could be combined under one marine licence application as they were within the same section of railway.

Section 7. Method Statement

Measures to Safeguards for the Marine Environment
A comprehensive suite of measures is proposed to protect the River Foyle estuary and its designated features, including the Belfast Lough Special Protection Area (SPA) and Ramsar. Also including the Belfast Lough Area of Special Scientific Interest (ASSI). The Habitat Regulations Assessment (HRA) for the project contains the following mitigation measures that are to be implemented:

- Industry standard pollution prevention measures, particularly addressing the risks of fuel and concrete spills.
- A pre-works check will be completed as close to the construction works starting as possible to identify any new potential Otter holts or resting areas within the site area. Prior to works commencing each day, the works area and immediate vicinity will also be checked for Otter. Should an Otter be encountered on site during the works, all works should cease immediately, and advice be obtained from an experienced ecologist.
- Where possible, works should be carried out in daylight hours. If works must be carried out at night, any artificial worksite lighting should be minimised. Any floodlights should be fitted with a directional cowl to avoid light-spill onto the watercourse.

An outline Construction Environmental Management Plan (CEMP) has been produced for the project, which contains environmental control measures relating to noise and vibration; air quality and dust; landscape and visual amenity; biodiversity, flora and fauna; historic environment; water resources and pollution prevention; flood risk; ground conditions, contamination and hazardous materials; waste management; lighting and carbon and sustainability. A detailed CEMP is to be produced once a Principal Contractor has been appointed for the project.

Minimising Interference with Other Uses of the Sea and Foreshore

- Works are confined to a narrow frontage immediately adjacent to the rail embankment, limiting spatial disturbance.
- Construction will be phased in short sections to avoid prolonged obstruction of the foreshore or estuary.
- No permanent loss of foreshore access is proposed; any temporary restrictions will be short-term and related only to active construction periods.
- Advance coordination with statutory stakeholders and compliance with marine licence conditions will ensure navigation, fisheries, and recreational uses are not significantly affected.

Supporting Documents (Application Checklist)

Completed application form

- TSD-JBAU-XX-XX-RP-EN-XXXX-S0-P01-Marine Application_Form_Sites_2_and_4C

Project drawings

- TSD-JBAU-00-2-DR-C-6001-S3-P01-Site_2_Location_and_Access_Plan_Detailed_Design
- TSD-JBAU-00-2-DR-C-4001-S3-P01-Asset_2_General_Arrangement_Detailed_Design
- TSD-JBAU-00-2-DR-C-4101-S3-P01-Asset_2_Typical_Cross_Section_Detailed_Design
- TSD-JBAU-00-4C-DR-C-6001-A4-C01-Location_and_Access_Plan_Detailed_Design
- TSD-JBAU-00-4C-DR-C-4001-A4-C02-General_Arrangement_Detailed_Design
- TSD-JBAU-00-4C-DR-C-4101-A4-C02-Typical_Cross_Section_Detailed_Design

Method statement

- Described in this letter and within section 7 of the application form.

Maps

- Site Plans Showing SPA, SAC & Ramsar_2 & 4C

Payment
The proposed works have been estimated to a value of **£429,430** and puts the application fee within band F (£200,000–£499,999) at an application cost of **£6,720**.

Please find attached email named ***MEA Marine Licences DAERA Proof of Payment*** for proof of payment.

If you have any questions, then please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,



[redacted]
Project Manager
For Jeremy Benn Associates Limited.