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**Subject:** Re: Licence extension request  
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Hi Jack, thanks for your E mail. The contractor has intimated that they will try their best to concrete the slipway before the end of March 2022 but this is dependent on being able to source the required cement. I think that we should still go for the variation as supplies of cement are still not guaranteed and especially as this will not cost anything extra. We have carried out leveling and building up the area above Mean High Water Springs which is at the top of the slipway and to the west side of the slipway. This is because we have offered the , " Skifties", an area to establish a place to keep their boats and possibly a clubhouse. There have been no changes to the construction details as discussed with Anni Makele when I met with her in early spring 2020. Anni should have the drawing and photographs of the slipway. If I can be of further help please get in touch. Regards, Jim.

On Thursday, 12 August 2021, 16:25:04 BST, Jack.Versianiholt@gov.scot <jack.versianiholt@gov.scot> wrote:

Dear Jim,

Thank you for the variation request. I am the allocated casework officer and I am preparing the case to go to consultation – this is standard procedure for variation requests.

I understand the need to extend the licence and I wanted to ask if there were an updated programme of works / timeline of the works, as to understand when works are scheduled to take place.

If you can send this to me that would be helpful. I will be in touch just to reconfirm some of the details, but I know you have confirmed that nothing else on the licence will change.

I look forward to hearing from you,

Kind regards,

Jack

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**Sent:** 07 July 2021 12:22

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Morning Kate, thanks for your e mail. The original cost of £30,000.00 included the building of a groyne on the south side of the harbour entrance and this was completed in 2017. The cost of concreting the slipway was given as £24,547.90. No work has been carried out on the slipway project to date. I visited the Marine Lab on the 17<sup>th</sup> of January 2020 when I discussed the slipway with Anni Makela giving her enlarged photographs and drawings of the proposals for concreting said slipway. This information has not changed since then. The main reason for this visit though was to discuss the pumping out of silt which constantly accumulates in the areas dredged in 2019. This was prior to applying for a licence from Marine Scotland. Said licence was applied for a year ago but we are still awaiting a determination as to whether or not it will be granted.

I understand that the normal 14 week period for obtaining a licence has had to be extended due to Covid 19, a circumstance outwith our control, as is the present shortage of cement. It seems unjust that we should be financially penalised in applying for an extension to a licence due to these circumstances.

If you need any more information please get in touch. Kind regards, Jim.

[REDACTED]

Hi Jim,

Thank you for your request to vary marine licence 06171.

I believe the original cost of works supplied was £30,000. Can you confirm if this is still correct? If the works have been partially completed then please send through a revised cost of works for the remainder of the work to be done.

Once we have received this information, an invoice will be sent through.

If you have any questions at all, please do not hesitate to ask,

Kind regards,

Kate

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Hi Jacqueline, I am sorry to bother you but circumstances have necessitated that I ask Marine Scotland for an extension to licence No. 06171/17/0, reference no. 06171. This licence is for concreting the rubble slipway at Avoch harbour which should have been completed in 2020.

That we were unable to carry out this work in 2020 was due to the Covid 19 pandemic. It was planned to do the work in 2021 but the contractor, who we have engaged, is unsure if they will be able to obtain the cement needed for the job as there is a nationwide shortage and already other works have had to be postponed because of this.

This is the reason that I ask for an extension of one year for the licence. ie. I would like it to run until 01 April 2023. There are no changes to the original application for this concreting work as I explained on my visit to the marine Lab in the spring of 2020 prior to lockdown. I hope that this request does not inconvenience you too much and that you are able to accede to my request. Jim Mc Dougall

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