

PLANNING PERMISSION

Reference No: 08/00364/FULSL

To:
Kames Fish Farming Ltd.
Kilmelford
Oban
PA34 4XA

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Town & Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 as amended by the Planning Etc. (Scotland) 2006 Act

DECISION NOTICE

**Installation of marine fish farm (salmon and trout) - 14 circular cages each 80m circumference and 1 feed barge with plan area 30m x 10m
North West Of Gob Na Hoe Borreraig Dunvegan Isle Of Skye**

The Highland Council in exercise of its powers under the above Acts grants planning permission for the above development in accordance with the particulars given in the application and the following plans/drawings:

Type of Plan	Plan Number	Version No.	Date of Plan
Environmental Statement	ES1		01.10.2009
Location/Site Plan	1		01.10.2009
Location/Site Plan	2		01.10.2009
Site Layout	3		01.10.2009
Site Layout	4		01.10.2009

This permission is granted subject to the following conditions: -

- (1) Except as otherwise provided for and amended by the terms of this approval, the operator shall construct and operate the development in accordance with the provisions of the application, the submitted plans and the Environmental Statement.

Reason: To ensure that the appropriate mitigation measures, strategies and procedures detailed in the ES are undertaken (e.g. in relation to minimising the visual impact of the fish farm).

- (2) The feed barge and any other significant items of surface gear (except navigational markers) shall be coloured matt grey.

Reason: To minimise the visual impact of the installation.

- (3) No road haulage operations involving fish feed deliveries or the transportation of harvested fish shall be conducted from the Dunvegan Pier road. Skips will not be permitted within 3m of the public road running surface.

Reason: Lack of infrastructure capacity; road safety

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- (4.) The feed pipes connecting the automated feed barge to the fish farm cages shall be neatly bundled and aligned and submerged where practicable; unless otherwise agreed in writing by the planning authority, the applicant shall not store equipment or materials related to this development on the shore.

Reason: To minimise the visual impact of the fish farming operation, to safeguard the landscape character in this area, and to maintain a tidy site.

Variations

During the processing of the application the following variations were made to the proposal:

1. None.

Section 75 Agreement

An Agreement in terms of Section 75 of the 1997 Planning Act relates to this development. The terms of the Section 75 Agreement are as follows:

1. None.

The full Section 75 Agreement can be inspected at the relevant planning office.

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NOTIFICATION TO APPLICANT

(a) The installation should be marked and lit in accordance with the requirements of the Northern Lighthouse Board as set out in its letter to the Council of 3rd November 2009 (see copy attached).

(b) Marine Scotland advises that:

- The Skye District Salmon Fisheries Board commissioned a salmon and sea trout fisheries assessment of Skye, for which a report was published in 2006*. The resolution of this report does not include minor catchments in the area but does list the nearby Harmara River in neighbouring Loch Pooltiel (NG 169 499). The river supports a small salmon fishery. Salmon numbers in the river were found to be extremely low and in the opinion of the author the salmon population of the river was found to be 'clearly highly vulnerable'. Trout populations were 'moderate or poor'. Any further activity in the neighbouring loch may increase infestation pressures on these vulnerable salmon stocks. The genetic risks to depleted local stocks from escaped Atlantic salmon may be considerable.
- Although data is not available it is likely that the small catchments entering Loch Dunvegan and neighbouring lochs would support populations of sea trout which would spend their marine phase in the loch and neighbouring coastal areas. Infective sea lice copepodids are generally transported in the surface layer of the sea driven by wind and tides and concentrate at shorelines in areas that sea trout smolts would use to forage. Prevailing winds in this area may concentrate any juvenile lice produced by this farm at the shoreline and increase infestation pressure.
- Kames Fish Farming Ltd. should adhere to the Code of Good Practice at all times with regard to containment and escape procedures. It should operate this site in alignment with the local Area Management Agreement and it should co-ordinate site activities with neighbouring units.

(c) Scottish Natural Heritage advises that:

- The daily removal of dead fish from the cages is a sensible measure, although this should be included in stage 1 of the predator control plan (see Annex 3 of the ES).

(d) Highland Council advises that storage of materials onshore will require planning permission.

Please note: Your attention is drawn to the conditions attached to this permission. Any pre-conditions (those requiring certain works, submissions etc. prior to commencement of development) must be fulfilled prior to work starting on site. Failure to meet these conditions may invalidate your permission or result in formal enforcement action.

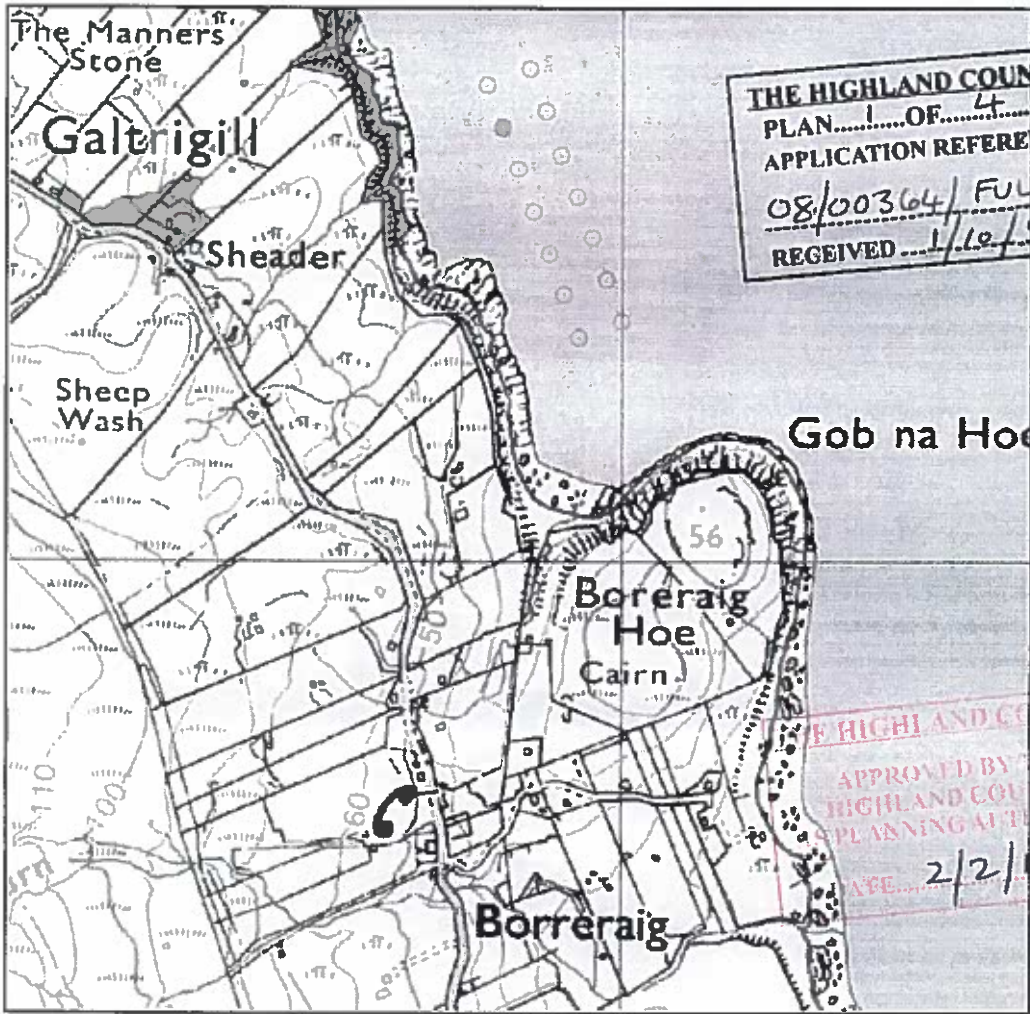
* Watt, J. (2006): An assessment of the salmon and trout populations of the Isle of Skye. Era report 57. Report to the Skye District Salmon Fisheries Board

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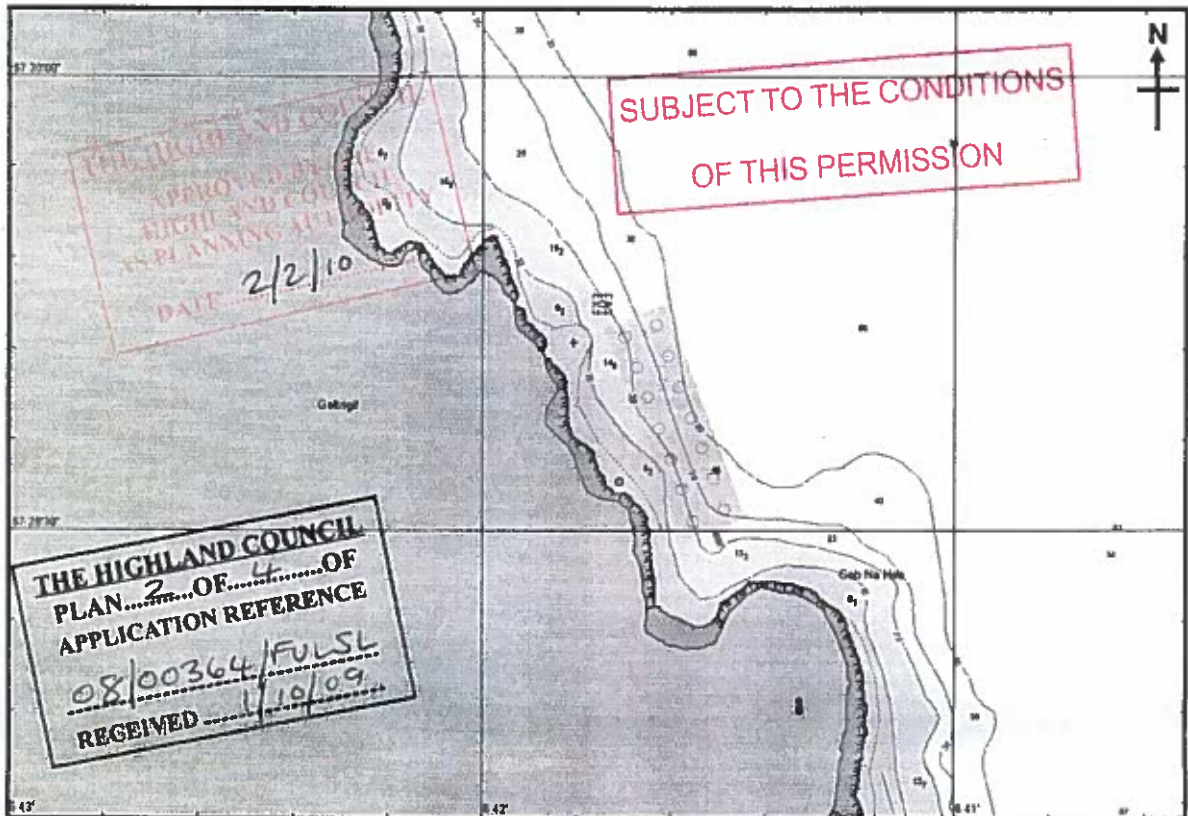
GOB NA HOE SITE PLANS



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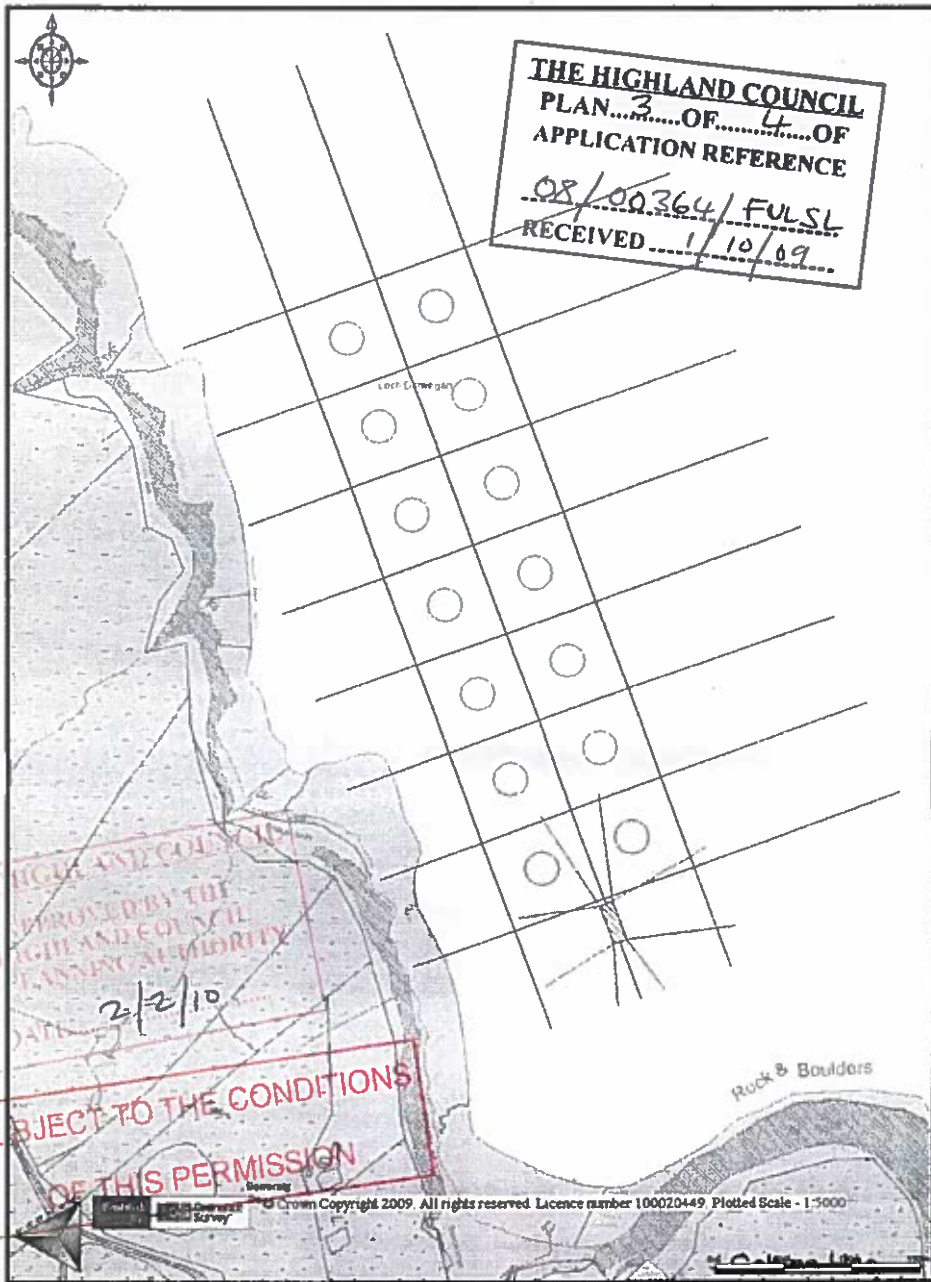
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SUBJECT TO THE CONDITIONS
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Admiralty Chart Extract Showing Proposed Gob na Hoe Site

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Proposed Gob na Hoe Site Plan

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