

Marine Licence Application for Construction Projects

Version 1.0

Marine (Scotland) Act 2010

Acronyms

Please note the following acronyms referred to in this application form:

BPEO	Best Practicable Environmental Option
EIA	Environmental Impact Assessment
ES	Environmental Statement
MHWS	Mean High Water Springs
MMO	Marine Mammal Observer
MPA	Marine Protected Area
MS-LOT	Marine Scotland – Licensing Operations Team
PAM	Passive Acoustic Monitoring
SAC	Special Area of Conservation
SNH	Scottish Natural Heritage
SPA	Special Protection Area
SSSI	Site of Special Scientific Interest
WGS84	World Geodetic System 1984

Explanatory Notes

The following numbered paragraphs correspond to the questions on the application form and are intended to assist in completing the form. These explanatory notes are specific to this application and so you are advised to read these in conjunction with the Marine Scotland Guidance for Marine Licence Applicants document.

1. Applicant Details

The person making the application who will be named as the licensee.

2. Agent Details

Any person acting under contract (or other agreement) on behalf of any party listed as the applicant and having responsibility for the control, management or physical deposit or removal of any substance(s) or object(s).

3. Payment

Indicate payment method. Cheques must be made payable to: The Scottish Government.

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4. Application Type

Indicate if the application is for a new construction site or an existing construction site. Provide the existing or previous consent/licence number and expiry date if applicable.

5. Project Details

- (a) Give a brief description of the project (e.g. construction of a new sea outfall).
- (b) Provide the total area of proposed works in square metres.
- (c) Provide the proposed start date of the project. The start date will not be backdated, since to commence a project for which a licence has not been obtained will constitute an offence, which may result in appropriate legal action. A licence is normally valid for the duration of the project but not exceeding 3 years. If a project will not be completed before a marine licence lapses, it will be necessary for licence holders to re-apply for a further licence to continue any ongoing work at least 14 weeks prior to the expiry date of the licence. **Target duration for determination of a marine licence application is 14 weeks.**
- (d) Provide the proposed completion date of the project.
- (e) Provide the cost of the works seawards of the tidal limit of MHWS. This estimate should only cover

work taking place below the tidal level of MHWS and must take into consideration the cost of materials, labour fees etc.

- (f) Describe the location of the proposed works. Include a list of the latitude and longitude co-ordinates (WGS84) of the boundary points of the proposed project. WGS84 is the World Geodetic System 1984 and the reference co-ordinate system used for marine licence applications. Co-ordinates taken from GPS equipment should be set to WGS84. Coordinates taken from recent admiralty charts will be on a WGS84 compatible datum. Ordnance survey maps do not use WGS84. In a few cases, (e.g. laying of long pipelines) it may only be practicable to supply co-ordinates for the start and end points.

Example: For positions read from charts the format should be as in the example: 55°55.555'N 002°22.222'W (WGS84). The decimal point specifies that decimals of minutes are used and the datum is stated explicitly. If seconds are used then the format should be as in the example: 55°55'44"N 2°22'11"W (WGS84).

It is important that the correct positions, in the correct format, are included with this application, as any errors will result in the application being refused or delayed.

To supplement your application, please provide photographs of the project location and submit these with your application. Please also provide a suitably scaled extract of an Ordnance Survey Map (1:2,500 scale but not more than 1:10,000) or Admiralty Chart which must be marked to indicate:

- the full extent of the works in relation to the surrounding area;
- latitude and longitude co-ordinates defining the location of the works;
- the level of MHWS;
- any adjacent SAC, SPA, SSSI, MPA, Ramsar or similar conservation area boundary.

Drawings and plans will be consulted upon. If they are subject to copyright, **it is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain necessary approvals to reproduce the documents and to submit suitably annotated copies with the application.**

Sewer outfalls, discharge pipes for industrial waste etc. The size and description of the pipe must be shown on the longitudinal sections and also details of its supports, foundations, methods of jointing and details of any tidal flaps.

Bridges over tidal waters: An elevation with longitudinal and cross-sections of the bridge to a suitable scale must show the dimensions of the spans and width of piers, etc. above and below MHWS and the maximum and minimum heights of the undersides of the superstructures above MHWS. The headroom above MHWS and the width of span of the nearest bridges, if any, above and below the site must be stated.

Tunnels under tidal waters: The longitudinal section of the tunnel must show the distances between the bed of the river or estuary and the top of the tunnels. Cross-sections must show the internal and external dimensions of the tunnel and particulars of construction. When a proposed future dredging level is known this must also be shown on all sections.

Overhead cables: Catenary must be supplied in addition to the site plan showing the minimum clearance of the cable at MHWS and the electrical clearance allowed.

- (g) Indicate if the project is located within the jurisdiction of a statutory harbour authority and provide details of the statutory harbour authority where relevant.
- (h) Provide a full method statement, including schedule of works and the ultimate fate of the structure.
- (i) Provide assessment of the potential impacts the works may have, including interference with other uses of the sea. Please include details of areas of concern e.g. designated conservation areas, such as a SAC, SPA, SSSI, MPA or Ramsar site and shellfish harvesting areas. Further guidance on designated conservation areas can be obtained from SNH at this website:

<http://gateway.snh.gov.uk/sitelink/index.jsp> and guidance on shellfish harvesting areas can be obtained from <http://www.foodstandards.gov.scot/> with regards to the Shellfish Waters Directive (2006/113/EC) which has parameters set to protect the water quality in which edible shellfish are grown.

Applicants should also be aware of the need to pay due regard to coastal and marine archaeological matters and attention is drawn to Historic Scotland's Operational Policy Paper HP6, "Conserving the Underwater Heritage".

Any application for beach replenishment works must be cross checked as to whether the proposed site is a designated bathing water site. If so, all physical works should ideally be done outwith the Bathing Water Season (1st June to 15th September). Further guidance on the Bathing Waters Directive (2006/7/EC) can be obtained from <http://apps.sepa.org.uk/bathingwaters/>.

Where there are potential impacts from the works, please provide details of proposed mitigation, such as use of MMOs or PAM, in response to potential impacts.

6. Deposits and/or Removals

- (a) Complete the table to indicate all permanent substances or objects to be deposited and/or removed from below MHWS. If you propose using types of substances or objects for which a specific box is not provided in the table, please describe the nature of such substances or objects in the box marked "other".
- (b) Please indicate the method of delivery of any substance(s) or object(s) to be placed below MHWS.
- (c) Where the proposed work involves salt marsh feeding, beach replenishment or land reclamation the description of the substances or objects must include details of its chemical quality. Where the substances or objects have not been chemically analysed, MS-LOT may request representative samples for analysis or require the applicant to arrange for analyses to be undertaken before the marine licence application can be determined.
- (d) If temporary deposits are required, please provide details as with the permanent deposits above. The temporary deposit location details (Latitude and Longitude WGS84) must be added to the form, and the period of time the site will be used must be provided. If granting a licence, MS-LOT will include on the document details of any area that has been approved as a temporary deposit site.

7. Disposal of Dredged Substance(s) or Object(s) at Sea

- (a) If you are proposing to dispose of any excess substance(s) or object(s) arising from the project at sea, a separate marine licence will be required (see Dredging and Sea Disposal application form). The granting of a marine licence for construction projects does not imply that a marine licence for sea disposal will also be granted as different assessment criteria are used to determine each type of application. If a separate application is being submitted for dredging and sea disposal then this must be accompanied with a BPEO report.
- (b) Provide the quantity of dredged substance(s) or object(s) for sea disposal in wet tonnes.

8. Noise Monitoring

Under the Marine Strategy Regulations (2010), there is now a requirement to monitor loud, low to mid frequency (10Hz to 10kHz) impulsive noise. Activities where this type of noise is produced include seismic airguns, other geophysical surveys (<10kHz), pile driving, explosives and certain acoustic deterrent devices. Where noisy activity is being undertaken, you must complete an initial registration form for the noise registry which allows you to provide details on the proposed work. Completion of a 'close-out' form, which allows licensees to provide details of the actual dates and locations where the activities occurred, is also required within 12 weeks of the completion of the 'noisy' activity or, in the case of prolonged activities such as piling for harbour construction or wind farms, at quarterly intervals or after each phase of foundation installation.

These forms can be downloaded from:

<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/science/MSInteractive/Themes/noise-reduction>

Marine licence applications will not be accepted until this form has been completed and submitted.

9. Statutory Consenting Powers

Please describe in the answer to this question what (if any) statutory responsibilities you (or your client) have to consent any aspect of the project.

10. Scotland's National Marine Plan

Scotland's National Marine Plan has been prepared in accordance with the EU Directive 2014/89/EU, which came into force in July 2014. The Directive introduces a framework for maritime spatial planning and aims to promote the sustainable development of marine areas and the sustainable use of marine resources. It also sets out a number of minimum requirements all of which have been addressed in this plan. In doing so, and in accordance with article 5(3) of the Directive, Marine Scotland have considered a wide range of sectoral uses and activities and have determined how these different objectives are reflected and weighted in the marine plan. Land-sea interactions have also been taken into account as part of the marine planning process. Any applicant for a marine licence should consider their proposals with reference to Scotland's National Marine Plan. A copy of Scotland's National Marine Plan can be found at: <http://www.gov.scot/Publications/2015/03/6517/0>

Indicate whether you have considered the project with reference to Scotland's National Marine Plan and provide details of considerations made with reference to the policies, including but not limited to General Policies 7 and 13 (GEN 7 and GEN 13), that have been considered. If you have not considered the project with reference to Scotland's National Marine Plan please provide an explanation.

11. Pre-Application Consultation

Certain activities will be subject to public pre-application consultation. Activities affected will be large projects with the potential for significant impacts on the environment, local communities and other legitimate uses of the sea. The new requirement will allow those local communities, environmental groups and other interested parties to comment on a proposed development in its early stages – before an application for a marine licence is submitted. Further information can be obtained from: <http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Resource/0043/00439649.pdf>

If applicable, please provide your pre-application consultation report with your application.

12. Consultation (other than carried out under pre-application consultation)

Provide details of all bodies consulted and give details of any consents issued including date of issue.

13. Environmental Assessment

- (a) Under the Marine Works Environmental Impact Assessment (EIA) Regulations 2007, there may be a requirement for certain projects to undergo an EIA and produce an ES. If EIA is required, MS-LOT will not determine a marine licence application until the EIA consent decision in respect of the marine licence application has been reached. Please confirm if the project falls under Annex I or II of Directive 85/337/EEC: <http://eur-lex.europa.eu/legal-content/EN/TXT/PDF/?uri=CELEX:32011L0092&from=EN> in relation to the Marine Works (EIA) Regulations 2007.

Marine licence applications for proposals which fall under the regulations will not be accepted unless a screening opinion has been issued in relation to this.

- (b) Please indicate if an EIA has been undertaken and whether it was for the marine licence application to which this application relates or for any other EIA regulator (e.g local authority). Please attach any previous ES to the application.

MS-LOT will not determine a marine licence application until the EIA consent decision in respect of any regulated activity associated with the marine licence application has been reached.

14. Associated Works

Indicate whether the application is associated with any other marine projects (e.g. land reclamation, marine/harbour construction works, dredging and sea disposal etc). If this is the case, provide reference/licence number for the related marine projects.

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It is the responsibility of the applicant to obtain any other consents or authorisations that may be required.

Under Section 54 of the Marine (Scotland) Act 2010, all information contained within and provided in support of this application will be placed on a Public Register. There are no national security grounds for application information not going on the Register under the 2010 Act.

Public Register

Do you consider that any of the information contained within or provided in support of this application should not be disclosed:

(a) for reasons of national security; YES ☐ NO ☒

(b) for reasons of confidentiality of commercial or industrial information where such confidentiality is provided by law to protect a legitimate commercial interest? YES ☐ NO ☒

If **YES**, to either (a) or (b), please provide full justification as to why all or part of the information you have provided should be withheld.

WARNING

It is an offence under the Act under which this application is made to fail to disclose information or to provide false or misleading information.

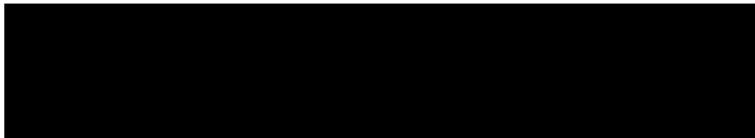
Target duration for determination is 14 weeks. Please note that missing or erroneous information in your application and complications resulting from consultation may result in the application being refused or delayed.

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Declaration

I declare to the best of my knowledge and belief that the information given in this form and related papers is true.

Signature



Date

26/05/2021

Name in BLOCK LETTERS

Murray MacLeod

Application Check List

Please check that you provide all relevant information in support of your application, including but not limited to the following:

- Completed and signed application form ☒
- Project Drawings ☒
- Maps/Charts ☒
- Co-ordinates of the boundary points of the area of harbour jurisdiction (if you are a statutory harbour authority) ☐
- Method Statement ☒
- Photographs of the location of the project ☒
- Additional information e.g. consultation correspondence (if applicable) ☐
- Noise Registry – Initial Registration Form (if applicable) ☐
- Pre-application Report (if applicable) ☐
- Environmental Statement (if applicable) ☐
- Payment (if paying by cheque) ☐

1. Applicant Details

Title: MR

Initials: M

Surname: MacLeod

Trading Title (if appropriate):

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Bridge Point Depot
23a Longman Drive
Inverness
V1 1SU

Name of contact (if different):

Telephone No. (inc. dialing code): 0044 (0) 3300 080 672

Email: MMacLeod@bearsotland.co.uk

Statutory Harbour Authority? YES ☐ NO ☒

If **YES**, please provide a list of the latitude and longitude co-ordinates (WGS84) of the boundary points of the area of harbour jurisdiction using Appendix 01 Additional Co-ordinates form if necessary.

2. Agent Details (if any)

Title: MR

Initials: H

Surname: Buchanan

Trading Title (if appropriate):

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Inverness
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Email: hbuchanan@bearsotland.co.uk

3. Payment

Enclosed Cheque ☐

Invoice ☒

Contact and address to send invoice to:

Applicant ☐

Agent ☒

Other ☐

If **OTHER**, please provide contact details:

Title:

Initials:

Surname:

Address:

Email:

4. Application Type

Is this application for a new construction site or an existing construction site:

New Site ☐ Existing Site ☒

If an **EXISTING SITE**, please provide the consent/licence number and expiry date:

Consent/Licence Number	Expiry Date
Marine Licence - 06780	09 December 2023

5. Project Details

(a) Brief description of the project (e.g. construction of a new sea outfall):

This application is submitted to assist with the variation of Marine Licence 06780 for the A828 10 Connel Bridge. Proposed additional works include replacing the bridge deck, modifying the overhead steel works to increase the available headroom, refurbishment of masonry viaducts and abutments, and installation of anchor chamber covering hatches and chamber drainage. The works are required to modernise the bridge to meet increased traffic volumes and larger/heavier load carrying heavy goods vehicles, as well as maintaining its structural integrity. See Proposed Works Summary document for further details included within the supporting information.

(b) Total area of the proposed works (in square metres):

5,000 m²

(c) Proposed start date (Target duration for determination of a marine licence application is 14 weeks):

August 2021

(d) Proposed completion date:

December 2023

(e) Cost of the works seawards of the tidal limit of MHWS:

£ 8,4 Million

(f) Location:

Connel Bridge, A828, Oban, PA37 1PL

Latitude and Longitude co-ordinates (WGS84) defining the extent of the project (continue on Appendix 01 Additional Co-ordinates form if necessary):

Latitude										Longitude										
5	6	°	2	7	.	4	6	4	'N		-	5	°	2	3	.	5	3	4	'W
5	6	°	2	7	.	4	6	6	'N		-	5	°	2	3	.	5	2	0	'W
5	6	°	2	7	.	2	8	2	'N		-	5	°	2	3	.	4	4	2	'W
5	6	°	2	7	.	2	8	1	'N		-	5	°	2	3	.	4	5	5	'W
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(g) Is the project located within the jurisdiction of a statutory harbour authority?

YES ☐ NO ☒

If YES, please specify statutory harbour authority:

(h) Method statement including schedule of work (continue on separate sheet if necessary):

See Proposed Works Summary document included within the supporting information.

(i) Potential impacts the works may have (including details of areas of concern e.g designated conservation and shellfish harvesting areas) and proposed mitigation in response to potential impacts (continue on separate sheet if necessary):

Connell Bridge has no ecological connectivity with any European Sites (previously Natura 2000 sites), Marine Protected Areas or Sites of Special Scientific Interests. However, upstream of the bridge, Loch Etive contains a shellfish water protected area; however, the nearest active shellfish site is approximately 3km downstream of the bridge.

The nature of the works does not involve any physical altering or removal of habitat as works are limited to the bridge and require no in-water works, restricting potential impacts to loss of containment of harmful substances and disturbance through noise and human presence.

Loss of containment, such as chemicals, fuels and oils can have significant environmental impacts where it enters the environment, particularly the water environment. To minimise the risk to the water environment a Site Environmental Management Plan (SEMP) will be produced for the proposed activities at the bridge. The SEMP will incorporate a number of good practice management measures. These will include following the updated and relevant Guidance for Pollution Prevention (GPPs), including GPP 5 Works and maintenance in or near water. Pollution Prevention Guidance (PPGs) will be followed if no corresponding GPP is available. The SEMP will also detail measures to ensure alignment with the Control of Substances Hazardous to Health and Water Environment (Controlled Activities) (Scotland) Regulations. Any vessels delivering materials by sea will be compliant with International Convention for the Prevention of Pollution from Ships (MARPOL). Therefore, the likelihood of loss of containment to occur with potential adverse environmental impacts is considered very unlikely.

The bridge provides suitable habitat for breeding birds, like the common swallow (*Hirundo rustica*), pigeons and doves. As works are scheduled to during the breeding bird season (March to August, inclusive) there is potential for disturbance breeding birds or accidental destruction of active nests. Subsequently, a pre-construction breeding bird check will be undertaken. If a nest is identified, either pre-works or during works, works in immediate vicinity of the nest are to stop and the site supervisor and BEAR Scotland NW Environmental team are to be informed. The active nest site will be protected by imposing a construction exclusion zone until consultation and/or removal licence have been sought from NatureScot. A removal licence would only be sought if required to enable continued construction progression.

A preliminary roost assessment (PRA) (NatureScot and Bat Conservation Trust compliant) was undertaken by Highland Ecology and Development Ltd (HED) on the 6th and 7th of October 2019 using rope access. The inspection of the bridge identified no signs of bats or roosts within the anchor pits or on adjacent walls. Furthermore, it was concluded by the surveyor that the anchor pits do not provide appropriate roost features for winter hibernation or summer roosting. BEAR Scotland has commissioned to HED to update the PRA prior to works commencing as the survey results are now considered out dated. However, prolonged winter weather has delayed the survey window, thus, to date of this application, a updated PRA has not been undertaken. If bats are found to be roosting in Connell Bridge, a derogation licence and consultation with NatureScot will be undertaken prior to works commencing.

An otter (Lutra lutra) survey was undertaken on the 29th of August 2019. The survey recorded otter field signs (spraint of varying ages) on the lochside habitat adjacent to bridge on both north and south aspects. Suitable foraging and resting habitat for otter in immediate vicinity of the bridge was identified. No sightings or otter holds were identified. A remote camera was installed on site to monitor a resting place 75m distant from Connell Bridge. The camera was set out on the 29th August 2019 and retrieved 5th October 2019, no evidence of otter using this resting place was found. BEAR Scotland are in the process of updating the otter survey as this is now older than 18 months. However, as works are limited to the structure and require no lochside or in-water works, potential impacts on otter are limited to disturbance and loss of containment. Pending on results of the updated survey, consultation with NatureScot will be undertaken to determine licensing requirements. In addition, an otter species protection plan will be developed and detailed in the SEMP to prevent injury or entrapment of the species.

As the A828 is an active road which experiences high volumes of traffic, with a heavy tourism influx, the presence of construction operative will not significantly deviate from the current baseline, meaning additional human presence is unlikely to cause disturbance to any protected species present in the vicinity of the works.

The proposed works will result in localised and temporary in-air noise. There are a number of residential receptors and ecological receptors (otter) within 500m of the bridge. All works will be undertaken in line with industry best practice and BS5228:2009 A20:4 Code of Practice for Noise and Vibration Control and Construction and Open Sites to reduce the generation of construction noise. Underwater noise or vibrations will not arise from the proposed works as these are limited to the bridge and require no in-water works.

6. Deposits and/or Removals

(a) **Permanent** substance(s) or object(s) to be deposited and/or removed from below MHWS (continue on a separate sheet if necessary):

Type of Deposit/Removal	Deposits		Removals	
	Description	Quantity & Dimensions (metric)	Description	Quantity & Dimensions (metric)
Steel/Iron	N/A	No.	N/A	No.
		Dimensions		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Timber	N/A	No.	N/A	No.
		Dimensions		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Concrete	N/A	No.	N/A	No.
		Dimensions		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Plastic/Synthetic	N/A	m ²	N/A	m ²
Clay (< 0.004 mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Silt ($0.004 \leq \text{Silt} < 0.063$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Sand ($0.063 \leq \text{Sand} < 2.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Gravel ($2.00 \leq \text{Gravel} < 64.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Cobbles ($64.0 \leq \text{Cobbles} < 256.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Boulders (≥ 256.0 mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)		Weight (kg/tonnes)

Pipe	N/A	Length (m)	N/A	Length (m)
		External Diameter (cm/m)		External Diameter (cm/m)
Other (please describe below):				

(b) Method of delivery of substance(s) or object(s):

It is anticipated that materials will be delivered to site from the Trunk Road Network. However, there is potential that deck panels that are approximately 4.2m wide and 3 longitudinal restraints (steel beams) requiring delivery by sea due to their size and road width restrictions.

(c) For work involving salt marsh feeding, beach replenishment or land reclamation please provide the following information relating to the substance(s) or object(s) to be deposited:

Quantity (tonnes):

N/A tonnes

Nature of substance(s) or object(s) (e.g. sand, silt, gravel etc.):

N/A

Source (if sea dredged state location of origin)

N/A

Particle size:

N/A

Have the substance(s) or object(s) been chemically analysed?

YES ☐ NO ☐

If YES, please include the analysis data with your application

(d) Temporary substance(s) or object(s) to be deposited below MHWS (continue on a separate sheet if necessary):

Type of Deposit	Description	Quantity & Dimensions (metric)
Steel/Iron	N/A	No.
		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Timber	N/A	No.
		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)

Concrete	N/A	No.
		Dimensions
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Plastic/Synthetic	N/A	m ²
Clay (< 0.004 mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Silt ($0.004 \leq \text{Silt} < 0.063$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Sand ($0.063 \leq \text{Sand} < 2.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Gravel ($2.00 \leq \text{Gravel} < 64.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Cobbles ($64.0 \leq \text{Cobbles} < 256.0$ mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Boulders (≥ 256.0 mm)	N/A	Volume (m ³)
		Weight (kg/tonnes)
Pipe	N/A	Length (m)
		External Diameter (cm/m)
Other (please describe below):		

7. Disposal of Dredged Substance(s) or Object(s) at Sea

(a) Do you intend to apply for a marine licence for sea disposal of dredged substance(s) or object(s) as part of the project?

YES ☐ NO ☒

If **YES**, please specify nature of substance(s) or object(s) (e.g sand, gravel, silt, clay, rock etc.):

N/A

(b) Quantity of substance(s) or object(s) (wet tonnes):

N/A wet tonnes

A separate marine licence application will be required to be submitted for sea disposal.

8. Noise Monitoring

Will loud, low to mid frequency (10Hz to 10kHz) impulsive noise be produced by the project?

YES ☐ NO ☒

If **YES**, which please indicate the noise generating activities and sound frequencies:

Noise Generating Activity	Sound Frequency (Hertz)
Use of Explosives	N/A
Use of Acoustic Deterrent Devices	N/A
Piling	N/A
Other (please describe below):	
N/A	

If you have ticked **YES**, please complete the Noise Registry – Initial Registration form located at:
<http://www.scotland.gov.uk/Topics/marine/science/MSInteractive/Themes/noise-reduction>

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9. Statutory Consenting Powers

Do you, or (if appropriate) your client, have statutory powers to consent any aspect of this project?

N/A

10. Scotland's National Marine Plan

Have you considered the application with reference to Scotland's National Marine Plan?

YES ☒ NO ☐

If **YES**, provide details of considerations made with reference to the policies, including but not limited to General Policies 7 and 13 (GEN 7 and GEN 13), that have been considered:

General Policy 6 - Connel Bridge is a Category B listed building. It is recorded on Canmore and the Historic Environment Record on Historic Environment Scotland's website. The works are designed to ensure the cultural integrity and good working order of the bridge are maintained. A Listed Building Consent Application has been submitted in May 2021 to Argyll and Bute Council.

General Policy 7 - The proposed works will result in a minor temporary marine landscape/seascape impact during the construction phase at an existing bridge. Replacement of the existing deck will result in a negligible permanent visual changes from a road level, with lateral kerb position remaining the same, but instead of concrete kerbs seen on the current view, there will be steel plates installed as upstands. From below, there will be a negligible change in appearance. At distance, the bridge deck will appear the same colour and configuration. The 'saw-toothed' expansion joints between cantilever spans and suspended span will be replaced by the same type of expansion joint. 24 drainage gullies will be installed to the center of the carriageway. These will be installed to each intermittent deck panel and will have the same location and appearance as existing ones, resulting in no visual changes. Modification of overhead steelwork as detailed in the Proposed Works Summary document will result in a negligible visual change as existing steelwork will be reused. At a distance the steelwork will look the same. Refurbishment to the masonry viaducts and abutments will involve like-for-like replacement of defective or missing mortar. Mortar repairs will have a negligible visual impact which will be very localised and will appear the same colour and configuration. Similarly, carriageway surface drainage installation to the masonry arch structures will result in a negligible visual effect from road level. Installation of anchor chamber covering hatches and drainage to 2 blocked anchor chambers will have no visual effects as these are situated within the bridge structure. See Proposed Works Summary document for a photographic comparison.

General Policy 9 - The proposed works do not overlap with any European Sites, Marine Protected Areas or Special Site of Scientific Interest. All works will also be limited to the existing bridge structure, resulting in no habitat destruction or alteration. The PMF habitat 'tide-swept algal communities' is considered to be present in the waters under the bridge, however, this will not be impacted as all works are limited to the bridge structure and require no in-water works. A Site Environmental Management Plan (SEMP) will be produced which will incorporate a number of management measures to prevent impacts on the natural environment to be implemented during the works.

General Policy 11 - All waste streams arising from the additional proposed works will be appropriately segregated and removed from site in a safe manner by a licensed waste carrier. The additional proposed works relating to this Marine Licence Variation do not involve any discharges into the marine environment.

General Policy 12 - The second River Basin Management Plan for the Scotland River Basin District has been taken into consideration. The Firth of Lorn (north) coastal water body and Loch Eive transitional water body both have an overall condition of 'good' with water quality also at 'good' status. The works will be contained and pollution prevention measures will be implemented (e.g. GPPs and PPGs) to minimise the risk of pollutants entering the water environment. These measures will be incorporated into the SEMP.

General Policy 13 - The proposed additional works relating to this Marine Licence Variation will result in localised and temporary in-air noise. There are a number of residential receptors within 500m of the bridge. All works will be undertaken in line with industry best practice and BS5228-1 2009+A1 2014 Code of Practice for Noise and Vibration Control and Construction and Open Sites to reduce the generation of construction noise. Underwater noise or vibrations will not arise from the proposed works as these are limited to the bridge and require no in-water works.

If **NO**, please provide an explanation of why you haven't considered the National Marine Plan?

11. Pre-Application Consultation

Is the application subject to pre-application consultation, under The Marine Licensing (Pre-application Consultation) (Scotland) Regulations 2013?

YES ☐ NO ☒

If **YES**, please indicate the date of the public notice for the pre-application consultation event and the type of consultation event held (a copy of the public notice must be supplied with this application):

Event Type	Date

12. Consultation

List all bodies you have consulted and provide copies of correspondence:

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13. Environmental Assessment

(a) Does the project fall under Annex I or II of the EIA Directive?

Annex I ☐

Annex II ☐

Neither ☒

If **ANNEX I** or **ANNEX II**, please provide the screening opinion issued to you in relation to the project.

(b) Has an EIA been undertaken:

for the marine licence application to which this application relates
for any other EIA regulator (e.g local authority)

YES ☐ NO ☒
YES ☐ NO ☒

14. Associated Works

Provide details of other related marine projects, including reference/licence numbers (if applicable):

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