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Re: Proposed dredging works at Ringaskiddy associated with the development of the Port and Port facilities, including reclamation, reconstruction and dumping at sea.

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Having considered the underwater archaeological impact assessment (UAIA) as submitted by ADCO, the Underwater Archaeology Unit (UAU) of the National Monuments Service concurs with the recommendations made. This Department have no objections on underwater archaeological grounds to the dredging works once the recommendation as stated form part of the condition of the permit to be issued for Dumping at Sea.

Outstanding area:

There appears to be one area that has not been subject to an UAIA, which came about due to redesign. If this area has not been assessed, then it shall be subject to an underwater archaeological inspection survey in advance and the results shall be forwarded as Further Information to this Department. Not pre-empting results, should no identified cultural material be encountered, then work in this area shall also be subject to archaeological monitoring. However, the UAU await the results of the further UAIA in advance of definitive recommendations. If this area has been assessed in the intervening time, then the results shall be forwarded to the UAU for consideration and further comment.

Archaeological monitoring of marine works (dredging and dumping at sea):

- All dredging works in the intertidal/foreshore and subtidal areas to be subject to archaeological monitoring. This to be carried out by a suitably qualified archaeologist with marine/underwater experience in such monitoring of marine works.
- The monitoring shall be licensed under the National Monuments Acts 1930-2004.
- The logistics for the full archaeological monitoring of all dredging works shall be agreed between the contractors, monitoring archaeologist and UAU. Facilities shall be made to allow the monitoring archaeologist(s) be on board all plant and machinery during all dredging works to ensure full monitoring can be achieved.
- Sufficient archaeological personnel shall be engaged to ensure all aspects of the dredging works can be fully monitored.
- If potential cultural material is encountered, the monitoring archaeologist shall be empowered to have dredging works suspended in that area until the potential archaeology has been fully resolved. In this event the UAU shall be contacted immediately.
- Integral to the monitoring strategy shall be an agreed communications strategy whereby the monitoring archaeologist can contact the plant and machinery operators to have works suspended as judiciously as possible to prevent undue impact on potential cultural material that has been identified. The applicant shall be prepared to accommodate this in all events.
- A detailed method statement shall be submitted to accompany all licence applications to this Department.
- On-site temporary storage facilities shall be put in place during the course of the works to allow for the proper storage of any material that may be recovered during the archaeological monitoring.
- A Find's Retrieval Strategy shall form part of the Methodology as submitted to mitigate for individual and small artefactual material.

Archaeological monitoring of reclaimed areas (e.g. Ringaskiddy East, West, at the Terminal and Paddy's Point):

- All works in reclaimed areas shall be subject to archaeological monitoring where the design depth of excavation is due to go below reclaimed levels and impact estuarine/marine environments.
- The monitoring shall be undertaken by a suitably qualified archaeologist with experience in maritime archaeology to ensure that any marine-related material that may be encountered and may be cultural will be identified and dealt with accordingly.
- The monitoring shall be licensed under the National Monuments Acts 1930-2004.

Archaeological monitoring of areas to be reclaimed (Ringaskiddy East & West & Paddy's Point):

- All works in reclaimed areas shall be subject to archaeological monitoring where the design depth of excavation is due to go below reclaimed levels and impact estuarine/marine environments.
- The monitoring shall be undertaken by a suitably qualified archaeologist with experience in maritime archaeology to ensure that any marine-related material that may be encountered and may be cultural will be identified and dealt with accordingly.
- The monitoring shall be licensed under the National Monuments Acts 1930-2004.

Archaeological recording at Prospect Villa boundary wall

This shall be archaeologically recorded in advance of it being dismantled and the works thereafter there shall be subject to archaeological monitoring as detailed above.

The applicant shall be prepared to be advised by the Underwater Archaeology Unit in regard to the required archaeological mitigation as detailed herein.

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