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**To:** [Cheekpoint Boat Owners Association](#); [Licensing Staff](#)  
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Dear Sir / Madam,

The Cheekpoint Boat Owners Association (CBOA) wishes to register its support for Port of Waterford's Dumping at Sea Application S0012-05. CBOA was formed in Autumn 2018 and is made up of a group of like-minded boat owners, predominantly local, who use Cheekpoint Harbour. The owners are from various backgrounds but with the same common interests: boats, the river, and the nearby open sea. The pontoon at Cheekpoint attracts visitors during the May to September season, and brings important footfall and business to the local restaurant and shop.

The primary aim of the CBOA is to support the local community, to ensure that they have safe access to the river and that their boats and equipment are secure. Access to the harbour can be problematic for some vessels, particularly during very low tides. Maintenance of the access channel has been undertaken by Port of Waterford for over 20 years and we fully support the Port's permit application in order to see this maintenance continue. This maintenance is critical to keep the narrow channel clear as the harbour is effectively out of use due to saltation.

In summary, we support this application and see it as a proactive step to maintain a traditional estuary village in a very scenic area of Waterford Harbour."

Yours sincerely,

John O'Shea  
Secretary  
CBOA