

Compensatory Measures

• Notice of Progress October 2017

In September 2015, An Bord Pleanála requested the Galway Harbour Company to develop initial proposals for compensatory measures with respect to the impacts of the proposed Galway Harbour Extension on the Galway Bay Special Area of Conservation. This process has involved consultation by the Harbour Company with An Bord Pleanála and the National Parks and Wildlife Service.

In August 2017, the Harbour Company submitted initial proposals which, in the opinion of An Bord Pleanála, appear to be capable of producing a meaningful set of conservation measures that could provide adequate compensation within Galway Bay Complex SAC for the potential loss of habitats associated with the Galway Harbour Extension.

The Harbour Company has now been requested by An Bord Pleanála to further develop these proposed compensatory measures and to submit them to An Bord Pleanála in due course.

This process is expected to take a number of months to complete.

Parties to the planning application may be invited by An Bord Pleanála to make further submissions or observations pending satisfactory progress on this element of the case and will be notified in that instance.