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Mariners are advised that renewal and maintenance works will be undertaken on the four Acoustic Monitoring Devices within the boundaries of the Neart na Gaoithe Offshore wind Farm and surrounding waters, from the 12th March at the earliest. The work will take place over a period of two days, weather permitting, by the *Alba na Mara* (2A1E4).

Area of Operations

Mariners are advised that the *Alba na Mara* will likely mobilise from Montrose to work within the boundaries of the Neart na Gaoithe (NnG) Offshore Wind Farm and surrounding waters, shown in Figure 1. The position of the four acoustic monitoring devices are indicated by the coordinates in Table 1.

All vessels are requested to remain at least 500 metres away from the work vessel.

Table 1 – Acoustic Monitoring Device Coordinates

Device	Longitude (DDM) (WGS84)	Latitude (DDM) (WGS84)
NNG1	002° 19.162' W	056° 17.878' N
NNG2	002° 15.227' W	056° 15.118' N
NNG3	002° 10.007' W	056° 16.348' N
NNG4	002° 05.434' W	056° 16.355' N

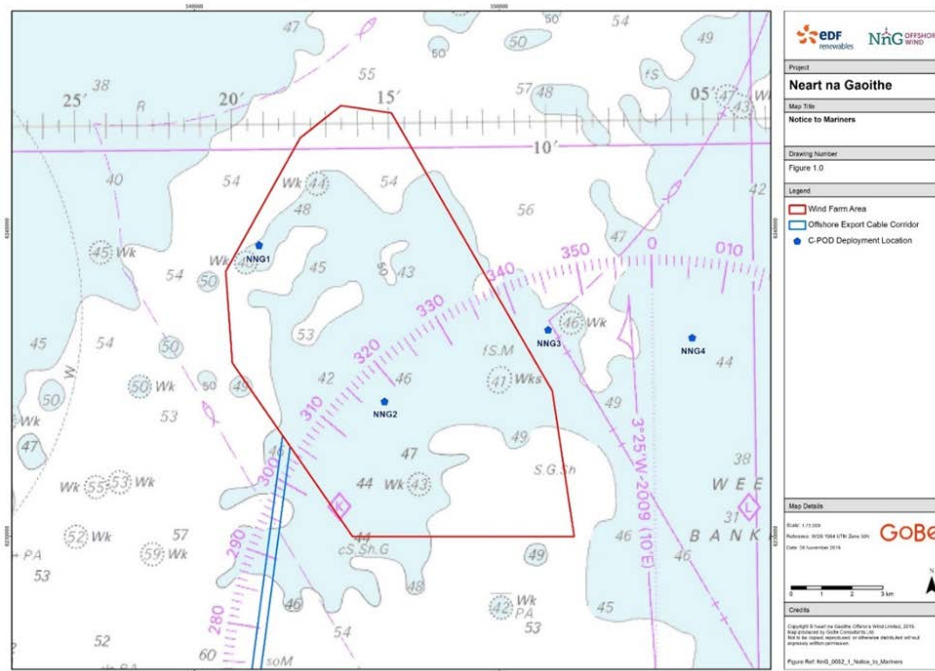


Figure 1 – Location of Acoustic Monitoring Devices


Schedule

The acoustic monitoring devices are collecting real-time noise measurements for a period of 36 months. The devices will be inspected and maintained at least every four months.

For updates on the progress of the works, information will be provided in the Weekly Notice of Operations available on the NnG project website: <https://nngoffshorewind.com/downloads/>.

Vessels Associated with the Activity

Table 2 – Alba na Mara Vessel Details

Vessel name:	Alba na Mara
Vessel role:	Marine Research
Call sign:	2A1E4
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	235059857
	

Please be aware that by virtue of its mode of operation and the equipment deployed, the *Alba na Mara* will at times be Restricted in Ability to Manoeuvre as defined under COLREGS (International Regulations for Preventing Collisions at Sea 1972, Rule 3). Masters of vessels are therefore requested to maintain their vessels and gears at a minimum safe distance from these vessels of 500 metres when they are undertaking it work and showing the appropriate shapes and lights.

Guard vessels are currently on site supporting the Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm construction. The guard vessels will be one of the below, which can be contacted as follows, if required:

Table 3 - Seagull Guard Vessel

Vessel name:	Seagull
Vessel role:	Guard Vessel
Call sign:	MVBO2
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: seagullbf74@gmail.com Phone: +44 (0) 1261 878040 / +44 (0) 7895 919100


Vessel name:	Seagull
	

Table 4 - Artemis Guard Vessel



Vessel name:	Artemis
Vessel role:	Guard Vessel
Call sign:	MVIX5
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: concordeb47@aol.com Phone: +44 (0) 7949 663790 / +44 (0) 1261 455461
	

Table 5 - Tranquillity S Guard Vessel

Vessel name:	Tranquillity S
Vessel role:	Guard Vessel
Call sign:	MJUH9
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: spousekeil@yahoo.com Phone: +44 (0) 1346 454758

Vessel name:	Tranquillity S
	

Port of Operation

The *Alba na Mara* will likely mobilise from Montrose, UK.

Adverse weather conditions

Upon adverse weather conditions, if the *Alba na Mara* is not able to hold on position, it will seek shelter.

General Safety Advice

Construction activities are ongoing within the boundaries of the Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm. Mariners are advised to refer to the NnG Weekly Notice of Operations where up to date information regarding activities on site is broadcast. A copy of this notice and the Weekly Notice of Operations can also be found at <https://nngoffshorewind.com/downloads/>

Marine Coordination Contact Details

The following contact can provide more information if required.

Table 6 - Marine Coordination Contact Details

Telephone number (daytime):	+44 (0) 1890 751415 (use Emergency contact only until further notice)
Emergency contact (24/7):	+44 (0) 7508 421406
Email:	nng.mc@smchse.com
Address:	NnG Offshore Wind Farm Marine Coordination Centre, Gunsreen Basin, Eyemouth, TD14 5SD

Fisheries Liaison

Fisheries liaison associated with the activity will be co-ordinated by Natural Power. For any commercial fishery queries please contact the NnG company Fisheries Liaison Officer (CFLO) Peter Berney, telephone: +44 (0)7391 402387 or email: NnG.FLO@naturalpower.com.

Offshore Fisheries Liaison Officers (OFLO) will be present on each construction vessel and can be contacted via VHF Channel 16.

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