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Mariners are advised that Neart na Gaoithe Offshore Wind Farm Limited (NnGOWL) are due to commence pre-lay trenching works along a number of inter-array cable routes within the Neart Na Gaoithe (NnG) Wind Farm Area, ahead of the installation of cables at a later date. The campaign is due to begin 7<sup>th</sup> August 2021, at the earliest. The inter-array cable routes will be trenched by a remotely operated vehicle (ROV) which is deployed and controlled from the *Living Stone* (call sign: PBXN).

From 7<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at the earliest, the *Guardian* (call sign: PCFJ) will complete a pre-trenching survey on the inter-array cable routes. Once complete and the routes are confirmed clear of any seabed obstructions, an ROV equipped with a jetting tool and mechanical cutting tool will be deployed to commence pre-lay trenching works. The ROV will be guided to the inter-array cable routes and commence cutting operations along the seabed. The *Guardian* will complete a post trenching survey to monitor the trenching depth. From the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 at the earliest, the *Libertas* (call sign: PCVF) will be an additional vessel completing survey and crew transfer operations.

**Area of Operations**

Mariners are advised that both the *Living Stone*, *Guardian* and *Libertas* will be mobilised to work within the boundaries of the NnG Wind Farm Area illustrated in Figure 1, within the coordinates shown in Table 1.

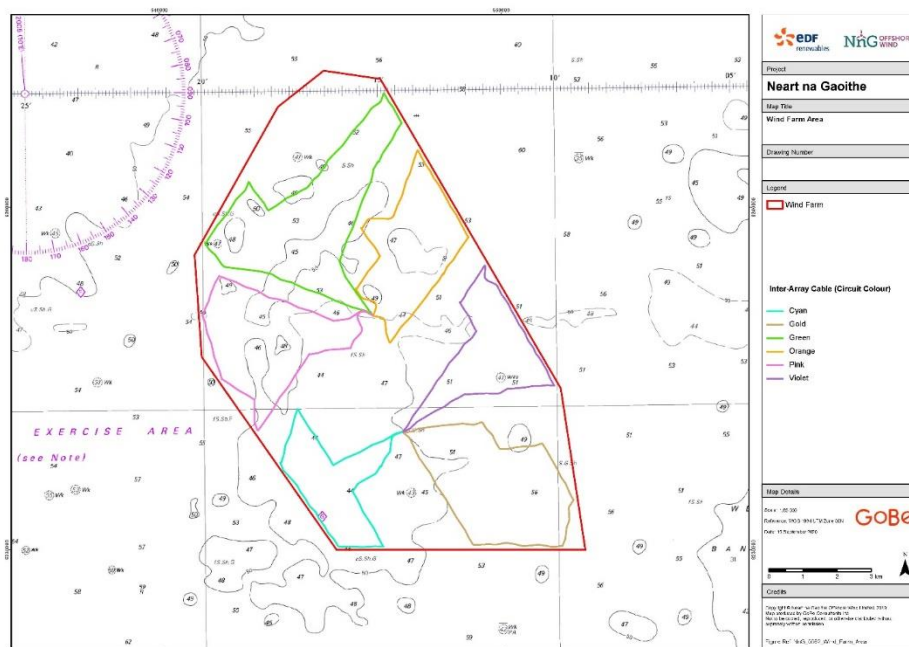


Figure 1 – Wind Farm Area – Inter-Array Cable Routes

Table 1 – Wind Farm Area Coordinates

LONGITUDE (DD.MM.MMM)	LATITUDE (DD.MM.MMM)
002° 09.898' W	56° 15.271' N
002° 13.998' W	56° 12.752' N

LONGITUDE (DD.MM.MMM)	LATITUDE (DD.MM.MMM)
002° 19.628' W	56° 15.479' N
002° 20.232' W	56° 17.430' N
002° 16.518' W	56° 20.312' N
002° 09.255' W	56° 12.721' N
002° 16.293' W	56° 12.766' N
002° 20.055' W	56° 15.827' N
002° 17.826' W	56° 19.752' N
002° 14.910' W	56° 20.171' N

Please be aware that by virtue of its mode of operation and the equipment deployed, the *Living Stone*, *Guardian* and *Libertas* will at times be Restricted in their 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 the vessels of 500 metres when they are undertaking their work and showing their appropriate shapes and lights.

### Schedule

The inter-array cable pre-lay trenching works is due to begin 7<sup>th</sup> August 2021 at the earliest, weather dependant. The pre-lay trenching works will be undertaken between August 2021 and September 2021.

Weather permitting, the *Living Stone* will carry out works on a continuous basis (i.e. 24-hour working, seven days a week), unless notified otherwise. The *Guardian* and *Libertas* will return to port each evening after completing daily operations.

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/resources/>.

### Vessels Associated with the Activity

*Table 2 - Living Stone Vessel Details*

Vessel name:	Living Stone
Vessel role:	Cable route pre-trenching
Call sign:	PBXN
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	244010952
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Captain Email: <a href="mailto:Captain.Livingstone@deme-group.com">Captain.Livingstone@deme-group.com</a> Phone: 0049 4215172191983
Onshore representative:	Contact name: Colin Smith Email: <a href="mailto:Smith.Colin@deme-group.com">Smith.Colin@deme-group.com</a> Phone: 0031 613482610


Vessel name:	Living Stone
	

Table 3 - Guardian Vessel Details

Vessel name:	Guardian
Vessel role:	Survey Vessel & Crew Transfer Vessel
Call sign:	PCFJ
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	244750806
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: <a href="mailto:guardian@braveheartmarine.com">guardian@braveheartmarine.com</a> Phone: 0031652786409
Onshore representative:	Contact name: Eize Hoekstra Email: <a href="mailto:eize.hoekstra@braveheartmarine.com">eize.hoekstra@braveheartmarine.com</a> Phone: 0031 625003554
	


Table 4 - Libertas Vessel Details

Vessel name:	Libertas
Vessel role:	Survey and Crew transfer vessel
Call sign:	PCVF
Maritime Mobile Service Identity:	244663000
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: <a href="mailto:libertas@braveheartmarine.com">libertas@braveheartmarine.com</a> Phone: 0031 650626941

Onshore representative:	Contact name: Eize Hoekstra Email: <a href="mailto:eize.hoekstra@braveheartmarine.com">eize.hoekstra@braveheartmarine.com</a> Phone: 0031 625003554
	

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

*Table 5 - Seagull Guard Vessel*


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

*Table 6 - Artemis Guard Vessel*

Vessel name:	Artemis
Vessel role:	Guard Vessel
Call sign:	MVIX5
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: <a href="mailto:concordeb47@aol.com">concordeb47@aol.com</a>

Vessel name:	Artemis
	Phone: +44 (0) 7949 663790 / +44 (0) 1261 455461
	

Table 7 - Tranquillity S Guard Vessel

Vessel name:	Tranquillity S
Vessel role:	Guard Vessel
Call sign:	MJUH9
On board contact:	Contact name: Vessel Master Email: <a href="mailto:spousekil@yahoo.com">spousekil@yahoo.com</a> Phone: +44 (0) 1346 454758
	

**Port of Operation**

The *Living Stone* will mobilise from Vlissingen, Netherlands. The *Guardian* will mobilise from Rosyth, Scotland and return to port after daily operations. The *Libertas* will mobilise from a port still to be confirmed.

**Adverse weather conditions**

Upon adverse weather conditions, if the *Living Stone*, *Guardian* and *Libertas* are not able to hold on position, they will both seek shelter or return to a nearby Port.

**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/resources/>

**Marine Coordination Contact Details**

The following contact can provide more information if required. Please note that specific queries can also be addressed to the relevant vessel or shore based representative.

*Table 8 - 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:	<a href="mailto:nng.mc@smchse.com">nng.mc@smchse.com</a>
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](mailto:NnG.FLO@naturalpower.com).

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