



**Notice Under Section 177ae (4)(A) Of  
The Planning And Development Act 2000 (As Inserted By Section 57  
of The Planning And Development (Amendment) Act 2010)**

**Application To An Bord Pleanála**

**Comhairle Contae Lú  
Louth County Council**

**Coastal Protection Works**

**Louth County Council hereby publishes this notice of its intention to carry out coastal protection works at two locations within the Dundalk Bay SAC and SPA, namely Seabank, Castlebellingham, Co. Louth and Salterstown, Annagassan, Co. Louth.**

**SEABANK COASTAL PROTECTION WORKS**

The proposed works location is along the shoreline of Dundalk Bay in the townland of Castlebellingham, Co., Louth at an area called Seabank, approximately 2km east of Castlebellingham village. The proposed works involve the following;

- Excavation of approx. 1m wide x 1m deep trench, 20m in length, along the toe of the existing shoreline embankment, to form a foundation for receiving the rock armour,
- Placement of rows of rock armour (large 1-3 tonne natural stone boulders) within this excavation and for a further 2m in height at a slope of approx. 30 degrees up the existing embankment to road level, and
- Placement of a layer of geotextile membrane underneath the rock armour to mitigate against any migration of fines.

**SALTERSTOWN COASTAL PROTECTION WORKS**

The proposed works are to be carried out along the shoreline of Dundalk Bay in the townland of Salterstown, approximately 2km southeast of Annagassan village. The works will involve the following:

- Construction of a temporary stone haul road (approx. 150m in length and 5m wide) to the south of the proposed works location to facilitate access,
- Excavation of approx. 1m wide x 1m deep trench, 80m in length, along the toe of the existing shoreline cliff, to form a foundation for receiving the rock armour,
- Placement of rock armour (large 3 tonne natural stone boulders) within this excavation,
- Placement of further rows of rock armour with each row stepped back, to form a sloped wall of interlocking rock armour up the cliff face to a height of approx. 2m above existing beach level.
- Placement of a layer of geotextile membrane underneath the rock armour to mitigate against any migration of fines.
- Removal in its entirety of the temporary haul road on completion of the protection works.

Louth County Council proposes to seek approval of An Bord Pleanála for the proposed works under Section 177AE (4)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as inserted by Section 57 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010). A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has been prepared in respect of the proposed works. An Bord Pleanála may give approval to the application with or without conditions or may refuse the application

Plans and particulars, including the Natura Impact Statement completed for both schemes, are available for inspection at the offices of Louth County Council;

- **Town Hall, Crowe St, Dundalk, Co. Louth**
- **Fair Street, Drogheda, Co. Louth**

**between the hours of 9am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday from 10th December 2019 to 13th February 2020 inclusive of both dates.**

The Natura Impact Statements will be available to purchase at a cost of €15.00.

Submissions and observations with respect to the proposed works, if carried out, may be made in writing to **An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 before 5.30pm on 13th February 2020 relating to:**

- (i) The implications of the proposed developments for proper planning and sustainable development in the areas concerned,
- (ii) The likely effects on the environment of the proposed developments, and
- (iii) The likely significant effects of the proposed developments on the European sites.

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Board by way of an application for judicial review under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986) in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading Publications – Judicial Review Notice on the Board's website [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) or on the Citizens information Service website [www.citizensinformationship.ie](http://www.citizensinformationship.ie)

**Signed: Frank Pentony, Director of Services**  
**Dated the 10th of December 2019**