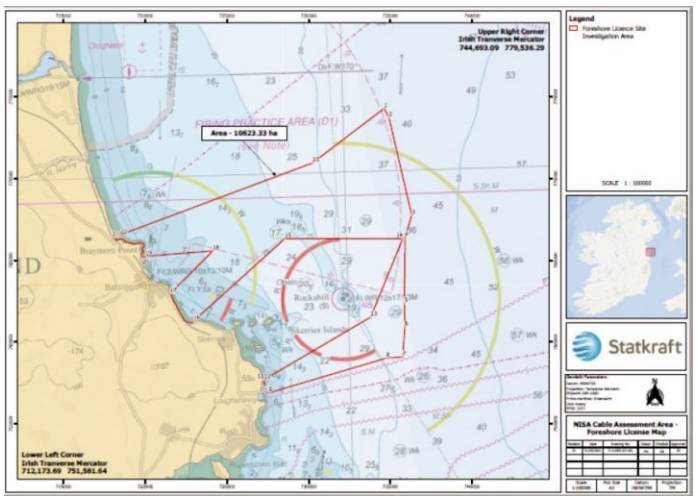
Wildflower walk at Battle of the Boyne site

AN OPW guided walk, identifying wildflower species in the Pony Field and Canal Field at the site of the Battle of the Boyne is taking place as part of Heritage Week.

It's on Wednesday August 18th at 2pm and more details from the centre.

PUBLIC NOTICE
APPLICATION FOR A FORESHORE LICENCE

Notice is hereby given pursuant to Section 19 of the Foreshore Act, 1933 that North Irish Sea Array Windfarm Limited has applied to the Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage for a Foreshore licence under Section 3 of the said Act for site investigations necessary to determine the seabed and sub-sea conditions to establish the optimum location for and design of the export cable(s) to shore and to establish the most appropriate landfall location for the export cable(s) for the North Irish Sea Array (NISA) offshore windfarm, located off the coasts of Dublin, Meath and Louth. The application includes for geophysical surveys (mutli-beam echo sounder, sub bottom profiling, side-scan sonar and magnetometer), geotechnical surveys (cone penetration tests and vibrocores along the potential routes and boreholes at the landfalls) and ecological surveys (fisheries surveys, benthic grab samples, intertidal benthic sampling). The map below shows the outline of the Foreshore Licence Site Investigation Area.



The coordinates of the site are set out in the table below:

System: IRENET95 ITM			WGS 84 / UTM zone 30N	
ID	Easting	Northing	Easting	Northing
1	734619.1	774283.2	304531.1	5954313.9
2	734914.2	773720.0	304785.9	5953731.3
3	736305.0	767750.8	305753.9	5947679.0
4	735893.8	766379.9	305247.4	5946340.4
5	735852.6	762367.7	304924.6	5942340.8
6	735884.9	760941.0	304856.7	5940915.4
7	735752.6	759088.9	304594.8	5939077.1
8	734760.4	759022.8	303600.4	5939080.8
9	727568.8	756893.2	296276.5	5937460.9
10	727332.9	756934.2	296044.2	5937518.4
11	727206.8	757704.5	295972.3	5938295.7
12	727295.8	757718.8	296062.2	5938303.7
13	733798.3	761528.6	302816.4	5941648.0
14	735754.5	766318.6	305104.1	5946289.0
15	728541.3	766318.6	297908.4	5946795.6
16	722966.4	761290.8	291993.6	5942171.1
17	721529.9	762972.0	290678.5	5943949.2
18	724142.3	765573.2	293467.4	5946360.9
19	720033.1	765246.7	289345.0	5946323.7
20	719817.1	765094.9	289118.8	5946187.5
21	718193.6	766390.2	287590.1	5947593.9
22	718494.1	766561.4	287901.9	5947743.5
23	730235.3	770944.7	299923.3	5951291.6

A copy of the application, and the relevant documents, maps, plans, and drawings, are available for inspection, between 17th August 2021 and 16th September 2021, free of charge at:

- Fingal County Council, County Hall, Main Street, Swords County Dublin K67 X8Y2
- Louth County Council, County Hall, Millennium Centre, Dundalk A91 KFW6
- Balbriggan Garda Station, Drogheda Road, Balbriggan, Co. Dublin, K32 EW01
- Drogheda Garda Station, Father Connolly Way, Downtown Drogheda, Drogheda, Co. Louth, A92 P704

The documentation is available on the Department's website:
https://www.gov.ie/en/foreshore-notice/c7c0a-fs007358-statkraft-north-irish-sea-array-nisa-site-investigations-for-export-cable-route/

Any person who wishes to make an objection to, or a representation in respect of the grant of the lease/licence sought as part of this public consultation should do so in writing, giving reasons, between 17th August 2021 and 16th September 2021 (quoting ref: FS007358) to the Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Foreshore Section, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Newtown Road, Wexford, Co. Wexford or **foreshore@housing.gov.ie.**

The closing date for submissions is close of business (17.30) on 16th September 2021.

All objections and representations received will be forwarded to the applicant for comment prior to any decision being made in the matter. Material upon which the Minster shall determine this application may be published on the Department's website. In this regard the Department wishes to draw attention to its policy on defamatory material that may be contained in submissions it receives, which may be found at:
http://www.housing.gov.ie/planning/foreshore/public-participation-foreshore-consent-process

Dated this 17th August 2021.

Big golf day fundraiser for Tredagh Lodge

THIS year's classic takes place on Friday, September 17 at Laytown and Bettystown club.

Starting from 7am for first tee-off to 3-30pm for the last one, it promises to be the usual very competitive event.

The fee for a team of four is €200 and while there has been a sizeable number of entries already, plenty of morning slots are still available. If you wish to take part, please contact Veronica on 0866025043 to book your time.

Ann Shortt who heads the fund-raising committee, said : ''We are very grateful to our good friends in the Laytown and Bettystown club for giving us the course for this date.

'There will be a raffle on the day and all money raised goes into our new building's running costs.

''The building is progressing nicely and we are still hoping for a New Year opening . Thanks to everyone for their continued support, '' said Ms Shortt.

Meanwhile, Elmgrove Farm in Gormanston, Co Meath have come forward with an initiative to help Tredagh Lodge.

They say they are ''delighted to be able to support the Tredagh Lodge project. We have our 'Remember Me' charity bouquet which is made up of La Lilies and roses, ''

Tredagh Lodge

Elmgrove say : ''For every charity bouquet sold here at the gate we will donate €3.00 to the new centre at Greenhills.

''We all know of someone who is suffering from or who has lost their battle to this horrible disease which can rob families of their loved ones even though the person is still there right in front of them.

''Elmgrove Farm would like to donate a free bouquet to one lucky winner each week for the next four weeks to our friends in the Alzheimer's as a thank you to those who support this and other great charities.

''If you would like to pre-order your bouquet please contact us on 041 9884389 or Elmgrove-farm.ie

''To be in with a chance to win just like our page and nominate who you would like to win the bouquet in the comment section" they say.

Imelda's plea over hot meals in schools

SINN Féin has launched proposals that would see free hot meals for all children in DEIS primary schools, and free school books for all children rolled out over a five-year government term.

Imelda Munster, Sinn Féin TD for Louth and East Meath said: "Ireland's education system is being heavily subsidised by families. Every summer, I speak to families in Louth and East Meath who are being crippled by the growing costs of sending their kids back to school. Families are put to the pin of their collar year on year,'

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Louth and Meath Education and Training Board
SOLAS learning works
Rialtas na hÉireann
Government of Ireland

Mitigating against Educational Disadvantage Fund (MAEDF)

Louth and Meath Education and Training Board (LMETB) wishes to invite applications from Community Education Providers/Groups in the Louth/Meath area for the above funding stream. The purpose of this fund is to support Community Education and to improve engagement by disadvantaged learners with education and training.

Grants are awarded to qualifying applications by LMETB and funded by SOLAS and the Department of Further and Higher Education, Research, Innovation and Science.

Application forms and further details are available at
www.lmetb.ie/maedf

Alternatively you should email **maedf@lmetb.ie** for a copy of the form.

Completed application forms must be received by
1.00pm Tuesday 7th September 2021.