

An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe  
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board



Mr Michael Creed TD  
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Agriculture House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

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Our Ref: AP23/2019  
Site Ref: T06/356A

**Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant a Licence to Sneem Fishermen's Cooperative Society Ltd. For the cultivation of mussels using longlines on the sub-tidal foreshore on site ref: T06/356A along the shoreline of Rossmore Island, Kenmare Bay, Co. Kerry**

Dear Minister,

I refer to the above Appeal which was received in this office on 1<sup>st</sup> November 2019.

Section 56(2)(a) of the Fisheries (Amendment) Act 1997 requires that the Board endeavour to determine an Appeal within a period of four months beginning on the date of receipt by the Board of the Notice of Appeal.

The Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board reviewed this timescale at its meeting on 31<sup>st</sup> January 2020 and has formed the view it will not be in position to determine this Appeal by that date due to the complexity of the matters and the requirement to commission technical advice.

Having done so, the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Act, of its intention to determine the Appeal by 31<sup>st</sup> December 2020.

Yours sincerely

Mary O'Hara  
Secretary to the Board