

**An Bord Achomharc Um Cheadúnais Dobharshaothraithe  
Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board**



Mr Charlie McConalogue TD  
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Agriculture House  
Kildare Street  
Dublin 2

18 February 2021

Our Ref: AP62/2019  
Site Ref: T12/530

**Re: Appeal against the decision of the Minister for Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine to grant an Aquaculture Licence to John Friel for the cultivation of Pacific Oysters using bags and trestles on the intertidal and or subtidal foreshore at site ref: T12/530 in Trawbreaga Bay, Co. Donegal**

Dear Minister,

I refer to my letter of 15 October 2020 in which the Board indicated it anticipated this Appeal would be determined by 28 February 2021.

The Aquaculture Licences Appeals Board again reviewed this timescale for the determination of this Appeal at its meeting on 5 February 2021 and has formed the view it will not be in position to determine this Appeal by 28 February 2021, due to the complexity of the matters which require to be determined as part of this Appeal and the volume of appeals on hand.

In light of this, the Board hereby gives notice, as provided for in Section 56(3) of the Act, of its intention to determine the Appeal by 31 August 2021.

Yours sincerely

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Mary O'Hara  
Secretary to the Board

cc Sinead McSherry, Aquaculture and Foreshore Management Division