



Project Data Sheet



Project

Licensing and Water Framework Directive Assessment

Client

Saundersfoot Harbour Commissioners

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Saundersfoot Harbour Commissioners proposed to continue their historical method of maintenance dredging to maintain the required navigational depths that provided access to the inner Harbour at high tide. The Marine Consents Unit (MCU) indicated the necessity to undertake a Water Framework Directive (WFD) Assessment in conjunction with their license application.

ADBP were employed to undertake this WFD assessment and concluded that the current method of maintaining the harbour's navigation channel was the most economic and environmentally sustainable option available. The analysis undertaken conformed to the requirements of the water framework directive assessment screening process as outlined in the Environment Agencies' guideline document 'Clearing the waters'.

ADBP demonstrated that the proposed dredging process was an established pre-existing technique with no known effect on the local environment, including local river basins, coastal waters or third parties. It was concluded that the proposed dredging would not cause a non-temporary deterioration in status at water body level or otherwise affect the ability of the water body to achieve either its WFD objectives or relevant water-related protected area objectives.

Dates

May 2012

Capital Value

Confidential