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# How to get involved in the marine licence process

Due to its energy-generating capacity being above 350MW, the Awel y Môr offshore wind farm (AyM) is categorised as a nationally significant infrastructure project and, as such, requires a Development Consent Order (DCO) from the UK Government.

As responsibility for the environment and fisheries resides with the Senedd, AyM must also have consent from Welsh

Government for the parts that lie in Welsh territorial waters. This comes in the form of a marine licence which is determined on behalf of Welsh Government by Natural Resources Wales (NRW).

While the processes for receiving a marine licence and a DCO will run together, there are some differences in the timescales as well as the opportunities to get involved.

## The DCO process in a nutshell

The DCO application for AyM was submitted on 20 April and was accepted for consideration by the UK Planning Inspectorate (PINS) on 18 May.

Individuals and organisations have been invited to register with PINS as ‘interested parties’ by 11:59pm on Weds 6 July, by submitting a ‘relevant representation’. This should give notice of any interest in, objection to, or support for the overarching proposals. Please refer to the [section 56/Acceptance notice](#) for advice.

Only registered interested parties can take part in the examination, which is expected to begin in September and run for a period of six months. Three months after the examination closes, PINS will make a recommendation to the UK Secretary of State for Business, Energy and Industrial Strategy, who will have a further three months to make a decision on the application.

Our application for a marine licence was submitted after the DCO application, on 30 May, the small gap enabling us to ensure the applications are based on the same information.

Our application to NRW has undergone a validation process to check our documents are complete and in line with regulations before being declared “duly made” on **20 June**. NRW will now undertake a consultation on the ML application, running from **Wednesday 6 July – Wednesday 17 August** (42 days), with notices being published in line with regulations.

If you wish to respond to the consultation, there is no registration process (as for the DCO); representations or objections in respect

of the application should be made in writing to: **Marine Licensing Team, Cardiff Permitting Service, Natural Resources Wales, 29 Newport Road, Cambria House, Cardiff, CF24 0TP**, or through <https://ymgynggori.cyfoethnaturiol.cymru/english> quoting reference: **ORML2233**.

In your representation/objection please include an email or postal address to which correspondence may be sent.

Please be aware that representations received will be shared with the applicant and may be made publicly available, after redacting personal details in line with General Data Protection Regulation.

The marine licence documents, including the guide, can be found here. <https://awelymor.cymru/marine-licence-application/>

**Please note:** To avoid confusion and minimise duplication of effort for all, the marine licence application essentially comprises the marine elements of the DCO application (i.e. with onshore DCO chapters removed). Generic DCO chapters that cover both on and offshore matters have been retained where relevant. A guide to the marine licence application is included in the documents to help readers find their way around.

Individuals and organisations can make similar submissions to both the DCO and marine licence processes but should bear in mind that the DCO is interested in all aspects of AyM while the marine licence, as its name suggests, will focus on offshore elements only.

If you have any questions about the processes, whether you support or oppose the proposals or you haven't yet decided, the Awel y Môr team will be more than happy to assist: our contact details are below.



# Sut mae cymryd rhan yn y broses trwyddedau morol

Gan fod capasiti cynhyrchu ynni fferm wynt ar y môr Awel y Môr dros 350MW, mae'n cael ei chategoreiddio fel prosiect seilwaith o arwyddocâd cenedlaethol ac felly mae angen cael Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu gan Lywodraeth y DU.

Gan mai Senedd Cymru sy'n gyfrifol am yr amgylchedd a physgodfeydd, rhaid i Awel y Môr gael caniatâd Llywodraeth

Cymru hefyd ar gyfer y rhannau o'r cynllun sydd yn nyfroedd tiriogaethol Cymru. Daw hyn ar ffurf trwydded forol a bennir ar ran Llywodraeth Cymru gan Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru.

Er y bydd y prosesau ar gyfer cael trwydded forol a Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu yn cyd-redeg, bydd rhai gwahaniaethau yn yr amserlenni, yn ogystal â'r cyfleoedd i gymryd rhan.

## Crynodeb o'r Broses Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu

Cyflwynwyd y cais am Orchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu ar gyfer Awel y Môr ar 20 Ebrill, a chafodd ei dderbyn ar 18 Mai i'w ystyried gan Arolygiaeth Gynllunio'r DU.

Mae unigolion a sefydliadau wedi cael eu gwahodd i gofrestru gyda'r Arolygiaeth Gynllunio fel 'cyrrff â diddordeb' erbyn 11:59pm ddydd Mercher 6 Gorffennaf, drwy gyflwyno 'cynrychiolaeth berthnasol'. Dylai'r cyflwyniad hwn roi gwybod am unrhyw ddi-ddordeb yn y cynigion cyffredinol ynghyd â gwrthwynebiad neu gefnogaeth iddynt. Edrychwch ar yr [hysbysiad derbyn/adran 56](#) i gael cyngor.

Dim ond partiön sydd â diddordeb cofrestredig sy'n gallu cymryd rhan yn yr archwiliad, y disgwylir iddo ddechrau ym mis Medi a rhedeg am gyfnod o chwe mis. Dri mis ar ôl i'r archwiliad ddod i ben, bydd yr Arolygiaeth Gynllunio yn gwneud argymhelliad i Ysgrifennydd Gwladol y DU dros Fusnes, Ynni a Strategaeth Ddiwydiannol, a fydd yn cael tri mis arall i wneud penderfyniad ar y cais.

Cafodd ein cais am drwydded forol ei gyflwyno ar ôl y cais am Orchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu, ar 30 Mai, gyda'r cyfnod byr o amser yn ein galluogi i sicrhau bod y ceisiadau'n seiliedig ar yr un wybodaeth.

Fe aeth ein cais i Gyfoeth Naturiol Cymru drwy broses ddilysu i sicrhau bod ein dogfennau wedi'u cwblhau a'u bod yn cyd-fynd â'r rheoliadau, cyn cael eu datgan ar **20 Mehefin** fel rhai sydd "wedi'u gwneud yn briodol". Bydd Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru nawr yn cynnal ymgynghoriad ar y cais am drwydded forol. Bydd yr ymgynghoriad hwnnw'n cael ei gynnal rhwng **Dydd Mercher 6 Gorffennaf - Dydd Mercher 17 Awst** (42 diwrnod), gyda hysbysadau'n cael eu cyhoeddi yn unol â'r rheoliadau.

Os ydych chi'n dymuno ymateb i'r ymgynghoriad, does dim proses gofrestru (fel yn achos y Gorchymyn Cydsyniad

Datblygu): Dylid cyflwyno sylwadau neu wrthwynebiadau mewn perthynas â'r cais yn ysgrifenedig i'r: **Tîm Trwyddedu Morol, Gwasanaeth Trwyddedu Caerdydd, Cyfoeth Naturiol Cymru, 29 Heol Casnewydd, Tŷ Cambria, Caerdydd, CF24 0TP**, neu drwy <https://ymgyngghori.cyfoethnaturiol.cymru/> gan ddyfynnu'r cyfeirnod: **ORML2233**. Yn eich sylw/gwrthwynebiad, dylech gynnwys cyfeiriad e-bost neu gyfeiriad post y gellir anfon gohebiaeth iddo.

Cofiwch y bydd sylwadau a dderbynnir yn cael eu rhannu â'r ymgeisydd ac efallai y byddant ar gael i'r cyhoedd, ar ôl golygu manylion personol yn unol â'r Rheoliad Cyffredinol ar Ddiogelu Data.

Mae dogfennau'r drwydded forol, gan gynnwys y canllaw, ar gael yma. <https://awelymor.cymru/marine-licence-application/>

**Sylwch:** er mwyn osgoi dryswch a lleihau dyblygu ymdrechion i bawb, yn y bôn bydd y cais am drwydded forol yn cynnwys elfennau morol y cais am Orchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu (hy gyda phenodau'r Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu ar y tir yn cael eu tynnu). Mae penodau Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu generig sy'n ymdrin â materion ar y tir ac ar y môr wedi cael eu cadw pan fo hynny'n berthnasol. Mae canllaw i'r cais am drwydded forol wedi'i gynnwys yn y dogfennau i helpu darllenwyr i ddeall y broses.

Gall unigolion a sefydliadau wneud cyflwyniadau tebyg i'r Gorchymyn Cydsyniad Datblygu a'r drwydded forol ond dylen nhw gofio bod y Gorchymyn yn ymdrin â phob agwedd ar Awel y Môr tra bydd y drwydded forol, fel y mae ei henw'n awgrymu, yn canolbwyntio ar yr elfennau ar y môr yn unig.

Os oes gennych chi unrhyw gwestiynau am y prosesau, p'un ai ydych chi'n cefnogi neu'n gwrthwynebu'r cynigion neu heb benderfynu eto, bydd tîm Awel y Môr yn fwy na pharod i helpu: mae ein manylion cyswllt ar waelod yr atodiad hwn.



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