Aughinish Community Group

Help us
Save Aughinish Bay

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The Aughinish Community Group is made up of concerned residents, friends and farmers living in Aughinish Bay and the wider area. We have come together to stop the development of an Aquaculture Farm in Aughinish Bay, located in the heart of the Burren, Co. Galway.

COMMUNITY MEETING FRIDAY MARCH 1st 830pm –930PM
Seamount College Kinvara

Please come along to have your voice heard. We are expecting Minister Anne Rabbitte and other local representatives to attend.

Please enter by the side entrance and proceed to the Study Hall. Note that parking is limited.

What is this about?

FORESHORE LICENCE APPLICATION Reference: T08/115A

A company called SLIOGEISC SIAR TEORANTA wants to construct a 26 ACRE AQUACULTURE FARM in Aughinish Bay.

The company has applied for a Foreshore License to the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine (REF: T08/115A).

Notice of these plans were first published in August 2019 (on page 20 of the *Clare Champion*). And so, the community in Aughinish and Co. Galway missed the opportunity to engage in the initial public consultation process..



Work has started on the site – operating without the required licence.



Site of Aquaculture Farm marked in red

Why is Aughinish Bay important?

- Aughinish Bay is a highly sensitive ecosystem protected as a 'Special Area of Conservation', a 'Special Protection Area' and a 'European Natura 2000' site.
- The 26 acre Aquaculture Farm is on a site of ornithological importance for Light-bellied Brent Geese, Ringed Plover, Curlew and Lapwing. Full development of the site will cause significant displacement impacts to these protected bird populations and to the wider ecosystem.