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The Scottish Government

Meridian Salmon Farms Ltd
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Dear Sirs

GRANT OF PLANNING PERMISSION

The Scottish Ministers, having considered your application dated 16 November 2012, hereby grant planning permission under section 31A of the Town and Country Planning (Scotland) Act 1997 (as amended).

APPLICANT:	Meridian Salmon Farms Ltd
APPLICATION No:	FFA/ORK/012
NAME / LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT:	Vestness, Papa Sound, Papa Westray, Position: 59° 19.640 N 2° 54.888 W
NATURE OF DEVELOPMENT:	16 cages of 80m circumference including ancillary cage grids and all moorings. To be used for salmon farming.

This is subject to the development being in accordance with the plans submitted and attached hereto as stamped and approved, and to the attached conditions.

Yours faithfully

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Kate Smith

FFA/ORK/012: Vestness, Papa Sound, Papa Westray

Site Co-ordinates

Co-ordinates of site centre point:
59° 19.640 N 2° 54.888 W

Co-ordinates of mooring boundary:
59° 19.451N 02° 54.920W
59° 19.817N 02° 54.876W
59° 19.557N 02° 54.590W
59° 19.723N 02° 55.175W

Co-ordinates of planning boundary:
59° 19.451N 02° 54.920W
59° 19.817N 02° 54.876W
59° 19.557N 02° 54.590W
59° 19.723N 02° 55.175W

Co-ordinates of cage grid corners:
59° 19.748N 02° 54.967W
59° 19.722N 02° 55.061W
59° 19.532N 02° 54.862W
59° 19.556N 02° 54.769W

Cage grid size 100m x 400m

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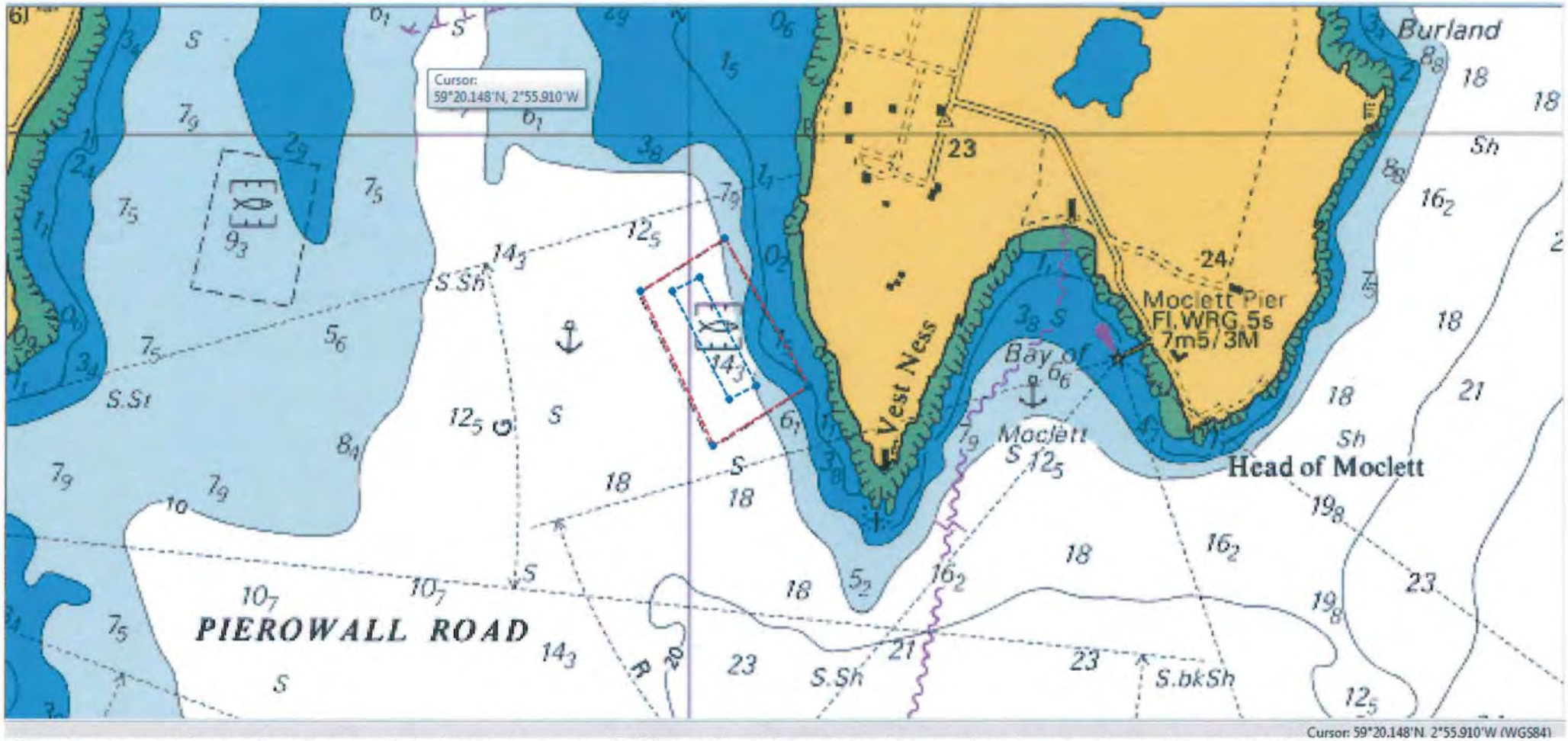

The above map shows the crown estate leased area and MCA outlined in red, the blue outlined area shows the cage grid.
Cage grid size 100m x 400m

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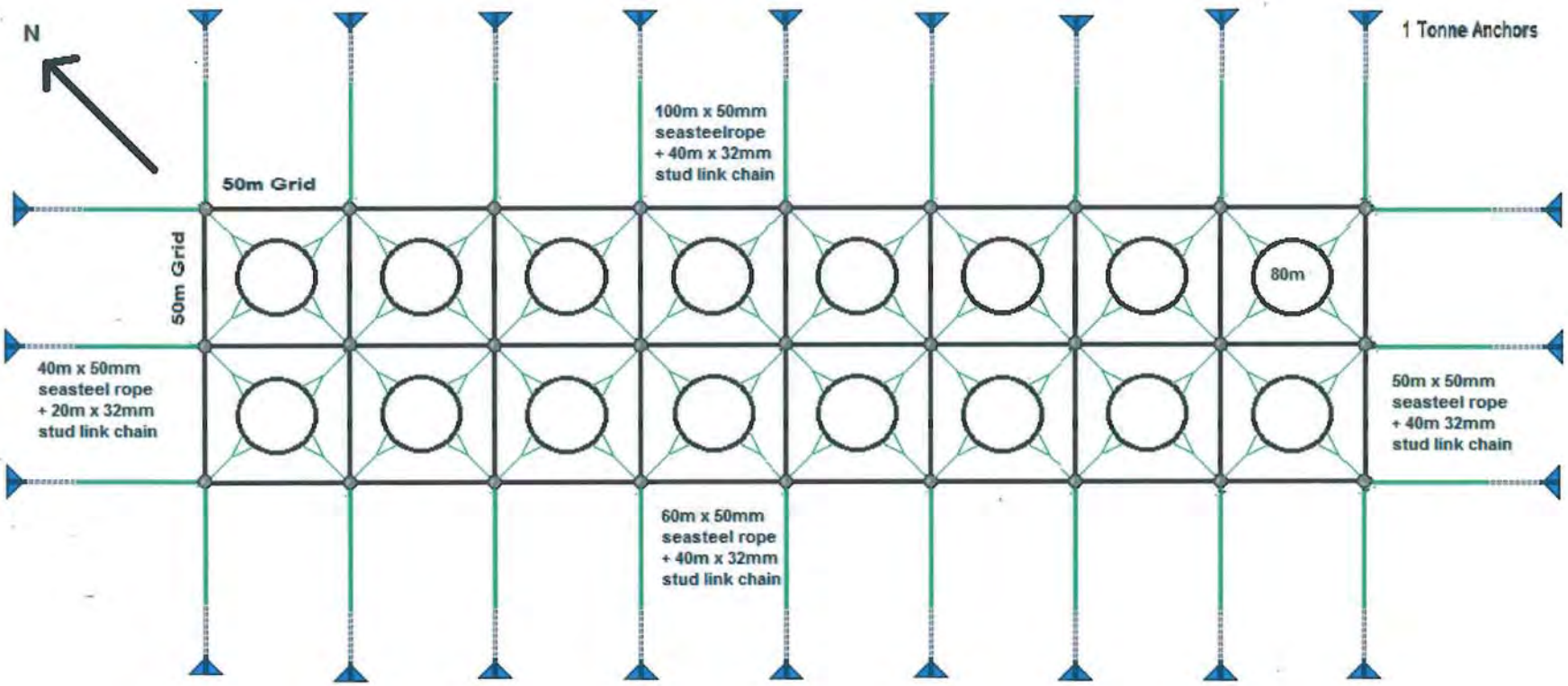

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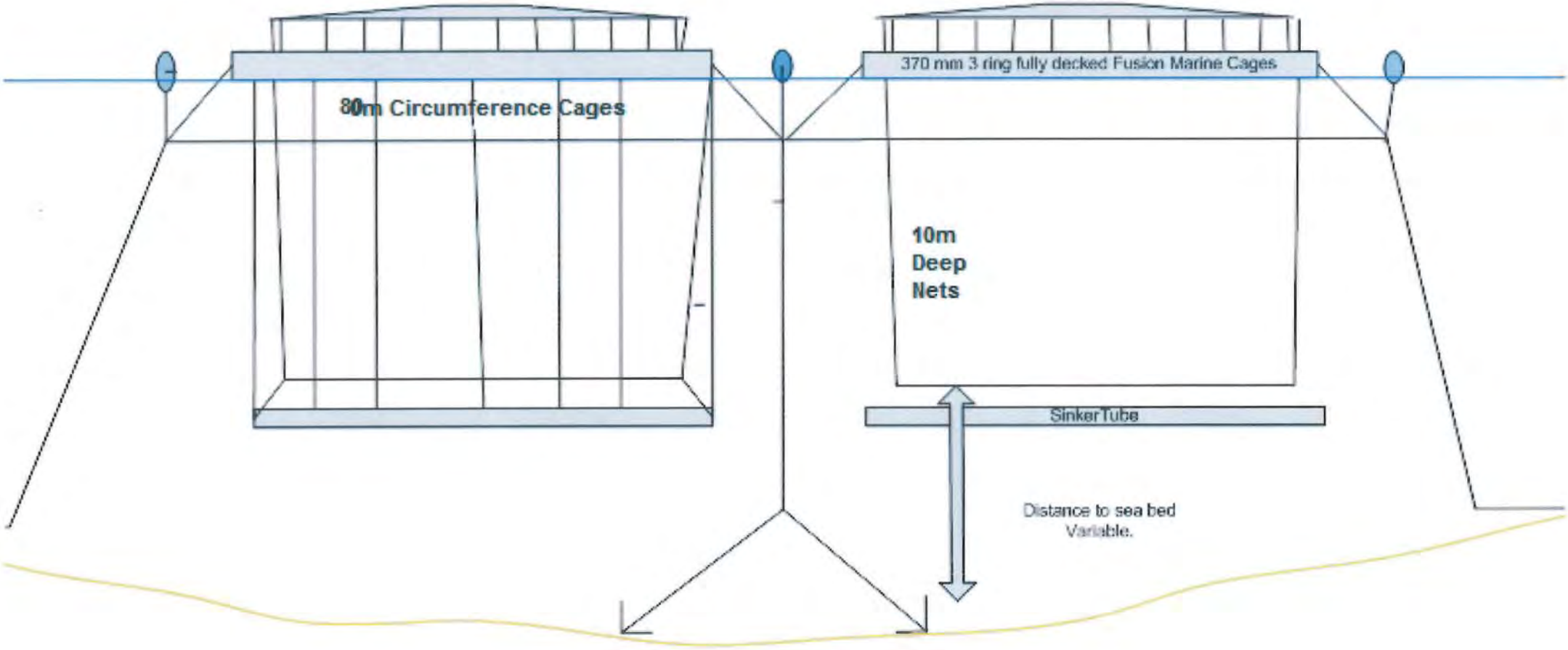
Vestness Schematic Cage plan



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SCHEDULE OF CONDITIONS

Condition 1

Subject to Conditions 2-5 the equipment shall be as set out in the application and submitted plans and the site operator shall operate the development in accordance with the provisions of the application, submitted plans and all supporting information.

Reason: To ensure that the appropriate mitigation measures, strategies and procedures detailed in the application are implemented in continuing to operate this site.

Condition 2

In the event of equipment falling into disrepair or becoming damaged, adrift, stranded, abandoned or sunk in such a manner as to cause an obstruction or danger to navigation, the developer shall carry out or make suitable arrangements for the carrying out of all measures necessary for lighting, buoying, raising, repairing, moving or destroying, the whole or any part of the equipment as agreed in writing with the Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure that the development does not cause a danger to other users of the area.

Condition 3

At all times when equipment is on site the following navigational marks shall be provided: This site shall be marked by 2 lit yellow poles, exhibiting a yellow flashing light, character flash one every five seconds (Fl Y 5s) and fitted with a yellow multiplication cross topmark. The poles used should be at least 75mm in diameter and not less than 1 metre in height above the site equipment hand rails, the light should be installed on the top of the pole. The poles should be positioned such that can be clearly seen by vessels approaching from all navigable directions. The multiplication cross should measure a minimum of 50cm in length by 7.5cm in width and be installed below the light. The poles should be positioned at the most Westerly and Southerly corners of the group of cages.

Reason: In the interests of navigational safety.

Condition 4

The finished surfaces of all equipment above the water surface including surface floats and buoys associated with the development hereby permitted (excluding those required to comply with navigational requirements) shall be non-reflective and finished in a dark muted colour unless otherwise agreed in advance with the Planning Authority.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

Condition 5

In the event that the fish cages or associated equipment approved by this permission cease to be in operational use for the growing of finfish for a period exceeding three years, they shall be wholly removed and the site restored to the satisfaction of the Planning Authority within 4 months of being notified, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority.

Reason: To ensure the development is removed, in full, from the site once operation use has ceased ensuring the development will not adversely affect the area.