

COMHAIRLE CONTAE FHINE GALL FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL

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Wednesday, 26th August 2026

**To Each Member of the Marine and Coastal Management Strategic
Policy Committee**

Dear Member

A meeting of the **Marine and Coastal Management Strategic Policy
Committee** will be held in the **Room 3A6 - County Hall, Swords** at **4.30
pm** on **Wednesday, 23rd September, 2026** to consider the following
Agenda.

Yours faithfully

**Aoife Sheridan
Meetings Administrator
Corporate Services**

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A G E N D A

- 1 Confirmation and Re-Affirmation of Minutes of Marine and Coastal Management SPC meeting held on Thursday 18th June 2026**
- 2 Annual Strategic Policy Committee Works Programme 2026/2027**

MOTIONS

- 3 Councillor P. Mulville - Proposed Restrictions on Recreational Fishing within SACs and SPAs - AI109575**

"That the Chief Executive outline the background and reasoning for the proposed restrictions on recreational fishing within Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Special Protection Areas (SPAs), contained in the draft Fingal County Council Beach/Foreshore Bye-Laws 2026, and outline whether there are any scientific or environmental grounds for this proposal."

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FINGAL COUNTY COUNCIL**

**MARINE & COASTAL MANAGEMENT
STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING**

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2026

ITEM NO. 02

**ANNUAL STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE WORKS PROGRAMME
2026/2027**

A presentation will be given on the day of the meeting.

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MARINE & COASTAL MANAGEMENT STRATEGIC POLICY COMMITTEE MEETING

WEDNESDAY 23RD SEPTEMBER 2026

ITEM NO. 03

PROPOSED RESTRICTIONS ON RECREATIONAL FISHING WITHIN SACS AND SPAS – AI109575

Motion: Councillor P. Mulville

“That the Chief Executive outline the background and reasoning for the proposed restrictions on recreational fishing within Special Areas of Conservation (SACs) and Special Protection Areas (SPAs), contained in the draft Fingal County Council Beach/Foreshore Bye-Laws 2026, and outline whether there are any scientific or environmental grounds for this proposal.”

Report:

The statutory process for the proposed amendments to the Fingal County Council Beach/Foreshore Bye-Laws 2006 is currently ongoing. A public consultation ran from the 15th of July 2026 to the 2nd of September 2026 which resulted in over 1,000 submissions being received. The public consultation is now closed and an assessment of all submissions received will be carried out. The findings and recommendations of the public consultation will be compiled into a report and brought forward to the respective Strategic Policy Committees and Area Committee Meetings which will provide further clarity on the position, taking into consideration all submissions.

The draft Beach & Foreshore Bye Laws 2026 will then be brought before full Council for adaptation.

Source of Report:

Tim Hanway, Administrative Officer, Operations Department

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