		Criteria for a Preliminary Examination of a Sub-Threshold Development to determine a Conclusion regarding an Environmental Impact Assessment.	
	Questions to be Considered	**Yes / No / ? . Briefly describe**	**Is this likely to result in a significant effect? Yes/No/? - Why?**
1	**Brief Project Description:**		
a	Will construction of the project exceed 500+ units (Sub-Threshold EIA)	No. Proposal consists of the development of a floating pontoon approximately 86 metres in length	No - The majority of the development, with the exception of some brackets and safety rail at the gangway entrance, will be on the foreshore
b	or will the accumulation of the project and other existing development exceed 500+ units	No	No
c	Will construction or operation of the Project involve the nature of any demolition works	No	No
d	Will construction or operation of the Project use natural resources such as land, soil,water and biodiversity	Yes - land and water. The majority of the development, with the exception of some brackets and safety rail at the gangway entrance, will be on the foreshore. The main pontoon structure will float on the river.	No.
e	Will the Project involve the production of waste	No.	No
f	Will the Project release pollutants or nuisances	Yes, installation related noise and emissions from equipment will be produced during the installation phase. These will be managed as part of the standard construction management plan. Construction of the pontoon takes place off site.	No. The installation period is estimated to be less than 2 weeks and will mainly amount to drilling into quay wall and installation of H piles.
g	Will there be any risk of accidents during construction or operation of the Project which could affect human health or the environment?	No, management of workplace accidents will be managed by the PSCS. The site is to be well secured and monitored to ensure that the works do not have significant impact on the general public	No
h	Will the Project lead to risks of contamination of land, air or water from releases of pollutants onto the ground or into surface waters, groundwater, coastal wasters or the sea?	No, management of workplace incidents will be managed by the PSCS, the works do not have significant impact in respect to release of pollutants	No
2	**Location of Proposed Development**		
a	affect the existing approved land use	No, land is zoned as waterfront development which provides for development of infrastructure that supports maritime activities including fishing.	No
b	Will the Project affect the relative abundance of, availability, quality and regenerative capacity of the natural resources in the area and its underground	No, the land is currently occupied by container / storage units occupied by fishermen. The proposal will held to regenerate the area.	No
c	The absorptive capacity of the natural environment paying particular attention to the following areas:		
(i)	wetlands, riparian areas, river mouths	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(ii)	costal zones and the marine environment	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(iii)	mountain and forest areas	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(iv)	nature reserves and parks	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(v)	areas classified or protected by legislation including Natura 2000 areas	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(vi)	areas in which there has already been a failure to meet the environmental quality standards laid down in legislation	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(vii)	densely populated areas	No. See GDG commissioned AA Screening report.	No
(viii)	landscapes and sites of historical, cultural or archaeological significance.	Under Part 8 process National Monuments Service will be notified and forwarded on the reports. As the majority of the development is a floating structure, there is no concern about impact on sites of historical, cultural or archaeological significance .	No
Conclusion: Having carried out a Preliminary Examination of the nature, size and location of the proposed development as outlined above, it has been determined that there is no real likelihood of significant effects on the environment arising from the proposed development and it is concluded that an EIA is not required.			
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