



## Marine Notice No. 11 of 2023

This Marine Notice supersedes Marine Notice No. 67 of 2022

Notice to all Shipowners, Fishing Vessel Owners, Agents, Shipmasters, Skippers, Fishers,  
Yachtsmen and Seafarers

Amended 01/03/2023

Amended 26/05/2023

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### Recovery of Metocean Instrumentation at Setanta (formerly Braymore) Offshore Wind Farm

#### 1. Notice of Activity

Marine Notice No. 67 of 2022 advised of the deployment of three surface buoys, three guard buoys, and one sub-surface mooring deployed at the Braymore Offshore Wind Farm site for a metocean and passive acoustic monitoring (PAM) survey campaign in November 2022.

The Department of Transport has now been advised by Partrac Ltd. that three surface buoys, one guard buoy, and one sub-surface mooring deployed at the re-named **Setanta** (formerly Braymore) **Offshore Wind Farm** are due to be serviced. The equipment will be recovered, serviced, and redeployed where the equipment is presently deployed. The servicing is expected to be completed over a three-day period from **12 June 2023**, subject to weather and operational constraints. On completion of the servicing operations, the devices will remain deployed for a period of **6 months**.

Operations for the recovery of the above-mentioned buoys and mooring will now begin in the **12 January 2024 to 14 January 2024** from the locations shown in the table below.

#### 2. Location of Activity

The survey campaign will be undertaken within the proposed Setanta (formerly Braymore) Offshore Wind Farm site, located off the east coast of Ireland. A map detailing the location can be found in Appendix 1 and a table providing the coordinates for the equipment deployment locations is provided below.

Site 1:

- Sub-Surface mooring
- Marker Buoy

Site 2:

- Marker Buoy

Site 3:

- Surface wavebuoy
- Marker Buoy

Site Name	Equipment	Position WGS84 (DDM)	
		Latitude	Longitude
Site 1 (North)	Guard Buoy	53° 53.075'N	005° 56.839'W
	Sub-Surface Mooring	53° 53.003'N	005° 56.855'W
Site 2 (Centre)	Guard Buoy	53° 48.878'N	005° 54.020'W
Site 3 (South)	Wavebuoy	53° 45.376'N	005° 49.566'W
	Guard Buoy	53° 45.425'N	005° 49.715'W

### 3. Details of the Survey Vessel

The operations will be conducted by the following vessel:

**MPV Skua: (call sign 2GDE3)**

During operations, the vessel will be restricted in their ability to manoeuvre. Vessels are requested to leave a wide berth during the deployment operations. Radio transmissions will be conducted with other seafarers to notify them of the operations.

The recovery operations will be conducted by the **CT Barnston (Call sign: MLZU5)**.

During operations, the vessel will be restricted in their ability to manoeuvre. Vessels are requested to leave a wide berth during the deployment operations. Radio transmissions will be conducted with other seafarers to notify them of the operations.

### 4. Buoy Characteristics

Three JFC 2600 Seagull Special Mark Guard Buoys will be deployed. Each buoy will have a hull diameter of 2.6m and a nominal freeboard of 0.8m. The buoys will be yellow in colour and displaying St. Andrew's Cross Day shapes. The buoys will be fitted with a radar reflector and a navigation light with a 3Nm range, flashing sequence: Y. Fl. (5) 20s. The Wave Buoy will be a yellow spherical buoy with a diameter of approx. 1.1m. It will be equipped with a buoy light, IALA yellow, with a group flashing character of 5 flashes every 20 seconds - Fl (5) Y 20 – and a range of 3Nm.

## 5. Contact Details

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## 6. Withdrawal of previous Marine Notice

Marine Notice No. 67 of 2022 is hereby revoked.

All mariners are reminded of their responsibilities under the **International Collision Regulations** and of [Marine Notice No. 17 of 2007](#), which gives general advice in relation to the activities of vessels engaged in survey work for hydrographic, seismic, fishing research and underwater operations.

The International Regulations for Prevention of Collisions at Sea (COLREGS) are implemented in Irish law by the *Merchant Shipping (Collision Regulations) (Ships and Water Craft on the Water) Order 2012* [S.I. No. 507 of 2012] and the *Signals of Distress (Ships) Rules 2012* [S.I. No.170 of 2012]. [See Marine Notice No. 06 of 2013](#). These Statutory Instruments may be purchased by mail order from Government Publications, Office of Public Works, 52 St. Stephen's Green, Dublin 2. Tel: (01) 6476834/1890-213434. They are also available online at: [www.irishstatutebook.ie](http://www.irishstatutebook.ie)

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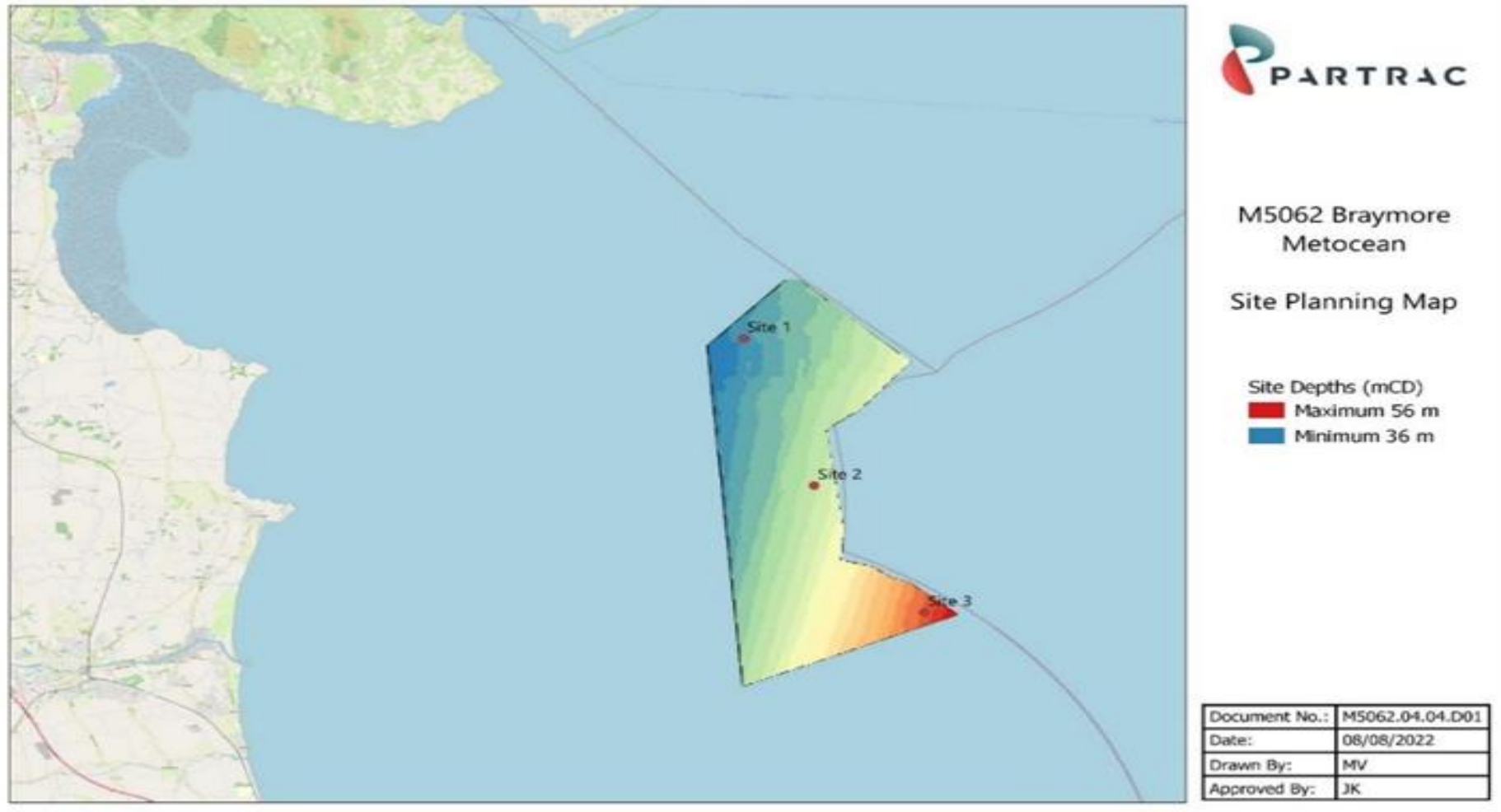
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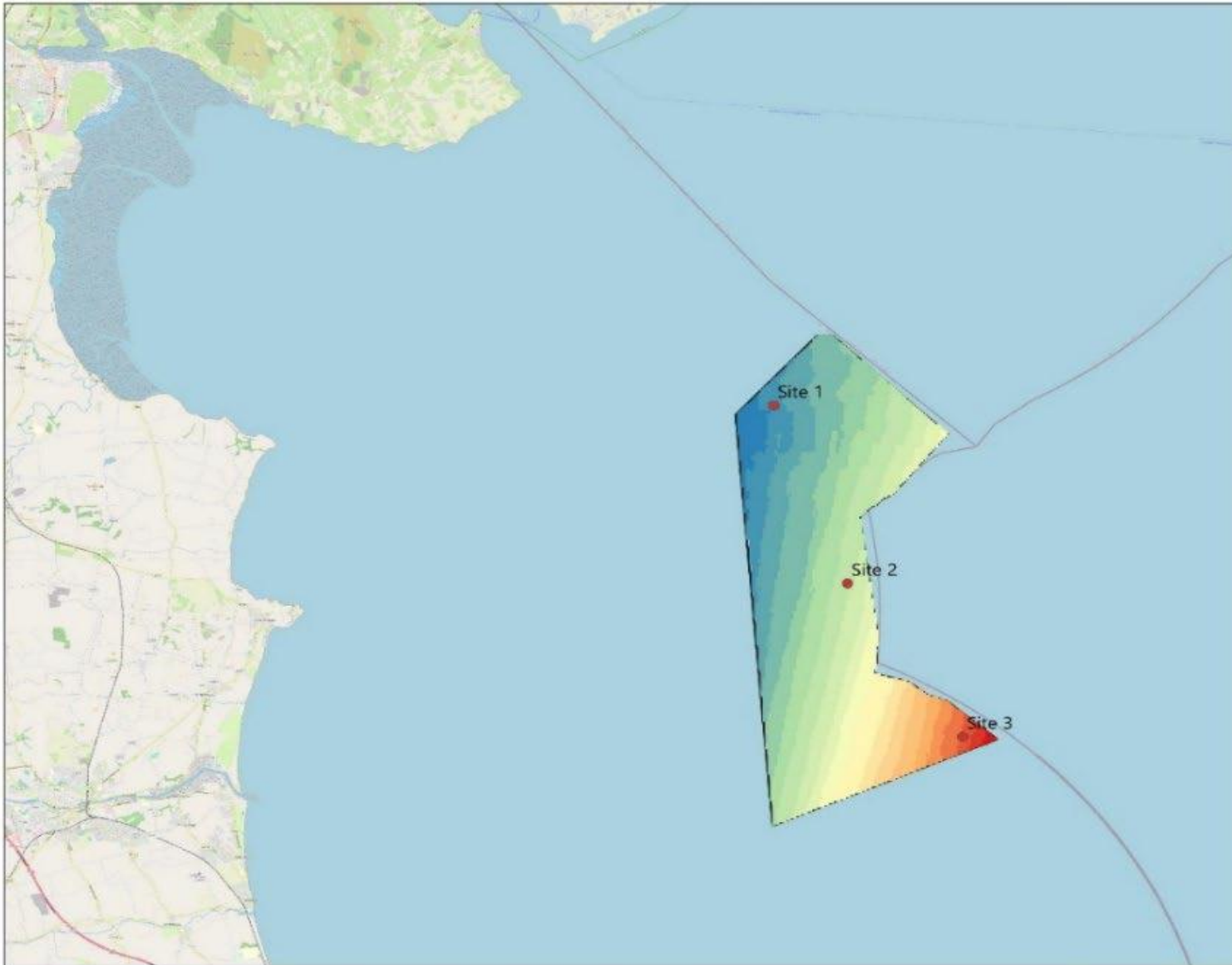
Encl: Appendix 1 Map Detailing the Locations

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## Appendix 1 Map Detailing the Locations





M5062 Braymore  
Metocean

Site Planning Map

Site Depths (mCD)  
■ Maximum 56 m  
■ Minimum 36 m

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