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I should like to propose that part of the application for *Aquaculture Licensing* should consider several points:

1. At the very least, the same process as planning permission for a residence/agricultural building i.e.
 - a. Site notice.
 - b. Notifications.
 - c. Detailed Plans.
 - d. Method statements.
 - e. Access to site.
 - f. Rights of way.
 - g. Good housekeeping and safe working practice.
2. A full engagement with local communities & set up open public meetings.
3. Identify stakeholders & set up open public meetings.
4. Full Environmental Impact Study including:
 - a. Invasive alien species and their parasites. (Lough Swilly)
 - b. Implications on indigenous wildlife.
 - c. Nature Conservation especially in locations recognised as Special Area of Conservation.
 - d. Identification and consideration of threatened species and the food chain. (A full Environmental Assessment as is required in France and Scotland)
5. Clarification of the infrastructure, buildings, waste management.
6. Detail the benefits to the local communities and economy.

The granting of these licences and the status of this development—current and proposed is not acceptable to this community. All good will has been lost. This is an area of historical natural beauty. The benefits to the exchequer, regarding tourism (Wild Atlantic Way/Blue Flag Beach) far outweigh any revenues which may be generated by the granting of these licenses/proposals. The sanctioning of these licences/this proposal will undoubtedly facilitate the decimation and desecration of these beaches for the benefit of few!

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