



## File Note

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**Subject:** *Site Visit*

*Note:*

Council staff Aurora Grant (Team Leader Consents) and Courtney Guise (Senior Consents Officer) went to conduct site visits on Stewart Island. Applicant Richard Langdon and Alasdair Burns (Platinum Fisheries Ltd) were also present to show Aurora and I the sites.



Map 1: Showing the general location of the sites. "Horseshoe Bay" site is at Frenchmans Beach. "Horseshoe Nugget" site is slightly to the north of Horseshoe Nugget and "Nathan's Island" site is just to the west of Nathan's Island.



Picture 1: Horseshoe Nugget site looking toward the mouth of Horseshoe Bay. Heavily cloaked land with native bush and rocky shore.



Picture 2: Horseshoe Nugget site. Heavily cloaked land with native bush and rocky shore.



Picture 3: Horseshoe Nugget site looking toward the nuggets and Horseshoe Bay mouth.



Picture 4: Nathan's Island site: Head of the land between Mamaku Point and Bob's Point, which is privately owned. Can see grazed areas and exotic grasses and regenerating forest on the top. One small black buoy can also be seen, marking the approximate location of the outer boundary of the site.



Picture 5: Nathan's Island Site with black buoy marking the outer boundary (from land) of the site. Mamaku Point is behind the photographer and this is looking toward the direction of Bob's Point on the right of the picture. This area is covered in exotic grass from grazing stock and regenerating forest along the top.



Picture 6: Nathan's Island site with rocks from Nathan's Island on the right of the picture. The site is generally in the area beyond the rocks to the right.





Picture 7: Nathan's Island site with Mamaku Point about to the left of the photographer. Land showing exotic grasses form grazing stock and areas of regenerating forest.



Picture 8: Example of mature coastal forest which is found along the shores of this area. This photo was taken in Lee Bay, to the north-east of the Nathan's Bay site.



Picture 9: Taken in Lee Bay showing the difference between regenerating forest on the left and mature forest on the right.



Picture 10: Horseshoe Bay site at about Frenchmans Beach. Picture showing a variety of buoys of different colours which are used by the applicant to demonstrate visual effects. From right to left: Blue, red, blue, silver.. unable to see any further.



Picture 11: Horseshoe Bay site. Zoomed in picture showing different colours of buoys. The far right is the silver / grey the applicant is proposing to use for all buoys to decrease visual effects.



Picture 12: Horseshoe Bay site. Clear picture close to the buoys to show visual effects of coloured buoys in the landscape.



Picture 13: Horseshoe Bay site showing a white navigational buoy which is used at either end of the line.



Picture 14: Horseshoe Bay site. Baskets of oysters which are growing. Each coloured buoy has a set of baskets like this suspended underneath.





Picture 15: Horseshoe Bay site. Set of baskets being pulled up. You can see the rope line they're being suspended on.



Picture 16: Horseshoe Bay site. Oysters from the suspended set of baskets.



Picture 17: The land at Horseshoe Bay site is covered with native coastal bush. Further around the bay to the left of this picture there are wharves and houses on the land. In this vicinity there are other coloured buoys – it's difficult to determine where one site begins and where the other ends.

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