



# NATURA 2000 - STANDARD DATA FORM

For Special Protection Areas (SPA),  
Proposed Sites for Community Importance (pSCI),  
Sites of Community Importance (SCI) and  
for Special Areas of Conservation (SAC)

SITE IE0002245  
SITENAME Old Farm Buildings, Ballymacrogan SAC

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## 1. SITE IDENTIFICATION

<b>1.1 Type</b> B	<b>1.2 Site code</b> IE0002245	<a href="#">Back to top</a>
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### 1.3 Site name

Old Farm Buildings, Ballymacrogan SAC

<b>1.4 First Compilation date</b> 2000-08	<b>1.5 Update date</b> 2018-09
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### 1.6 Respondent:

<b>Name/Organisation:</b>	National Parks and Wildlife Service, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
<b>Address:</b>	90 King Street North, Dublin 7, D07 N7CV, Ireland
<b>Email:</b>	datadelivery@chg.gov.ie

### 1.7 Site indication and designation / classification dates

<b>Date site classified as SPA:</b>	0000-00
<b>National legal reference of SPA designation</b>	No data
<b>Date site proposed as SCI:</b>	2000-08
<b>Date site confirmed as SCI:</b>	No data
<b>Date site designated as SAC:</b>	2016-02
<b>National legal reference of SAC designation:</b>	92/2016

## 2. SITE LOCATION

### 2.1 Site-centre location [decimal degrees]:

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**Longitude** -9.003884334      **Latitude** 52.92489522

### 2.2 Area [ha]:

### 2.3 Marine area [%]

## 2.4 Sitelength [km]:

0.0

## 2.5 Administrative region code and name

NUTS level 2 code

Region Name

IE02	Southern and Eastern
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## 2.6 Biogeographical Region(s)

Atlantic ( %)

## 3. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

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### 3.1 Habitat types present on the site and assessment for them

### 3.2 Species referred to in Article 4 of Directive 2009/147/EC and listed in Annex II of Directive 92/43/EEC and site evaluation for them

Species					Population in the site					Site assessment				
G	Code	Scientific Name	S	NP	T	Size		Unit	Cat.	D. qual.	A B C D	A B C		
						Min	Max				Pop.	Con.	Iso.	Glo.
M	1303	<a href="#">Rhinolophus hipposideros</a>	Yes		r	80	80	i		M	C	A	B	B

- **Group:** A = Amphibians, B = Birds, F = Fish, I = Invertebrates, M = Mammals, P = Plants, R = Reptiles
- **S:** in case that the data on species are sensitive and therefore have to be blocked for any public access enter: yes
- **NP:** in case that a species is no longer present in the site enter: x (optional)
- **Type:** p = permanent, r = reproducing, c = concentration, w = wintering (for plant and non-migratory species use permanent)
- **Unit:** i = individuals, p = pairs or other units according to the Standard list of population units and codes in accordance with Article 12 and 17 reporting (see [reference portal](#))
- **Abundance categories (Cat.):** C = common, R = rare, V = very rare, P = present - to fill if data are deficient (DD) or in addition to population size information
- **Data quality:** G = 'Good' (e.g. based on surveys); M = 'Moderate' (e.g. based on partial data with some extrapolation); P = 'Poor' (e.g. rough estimation); VP = 'Very poor' (use this category only, if not even a rough estimation of the population size can be made, in this case the fields for population size can remain empty, but the field "Abundance categories" has to be filled in)

### 3.3 Other important species of flora and fauna (optional)

## 4. SITE DESCRIPTION

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### 4.1 General site character

Habitat class	% Cover
N23	100.0
<b>Total Habitat Cover</b>	<b>100</b>

### Other Site Characteristics

Site comprises a series of stone outbuildings. Lesser horseshoe bats (*Rhinolophus hipposideros*) were originally found in an outbuilding which was in a derelict condition. An adjacent building was subsequently restored by a conservation organisation (Vincent Wildlife Trust) to provide better roosting conditions for the bats. Since completion, the bats have successfully moved into the restored building. The bats roost in the attic/loft space. The habitat surrounding the site provides poor quality foraging for the bats but there are numerous commuting routes (along hedgerows and stone walls) to feeding areas elsewhere.

### 4.2 Quality and importance

This site is a maternity colony for *Rhinolophus hipposideros*. Approximately 80 individual bats were counted on emergence in June 2000, although numbers have exceeded 100 (threshold for international importance) in the past. It lies within the core area of the distribution of the species in Ireland. Long-term conservation prospects are excellent.

#### 4.3 Threats, pressures and activities with impacts on the site

The most important impacts and activities with high effect on the site

Negative Impacts			
Rank	Threats and pressures [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside/outside [i o b]
M	A10.02		b
M	A10.01		b
H	A10.01		b
H	K03		i
L	A04		b
L	E01.03		o

Positive Impacts			
Rank	Activities, management [code]	Pollution (optional) [code]	inside /outside [i o b]
H	E04.01		i
M	A04		o

Rank: H = high, M = medium, L = low

Pollution: N = Nitrogen input, P = Phosphor/Phosphate input, A = Acid input/acidification,

T = toxic inorganic chemicals, O = toxic organic chemicals, X = Mixed pollutions

i = inside, o = outside, b = both

#### 4.4 Ownership (optional)

#### 4.5 Documentation

O'Sullivan, P. (1994). Bats in Ireland : The Irish Naturalists' Journal. Special Zoological Supplement. 21 pp. McGuire, C. (1998). Survey of lesser horseshoe bats *Rhinolophus hipposideros* (Bechstein) and other bat species in north Co. Clare, Ireland. The Irish Naturalists' Journal 26: 43-50.

### 5. SITE PROTECTION STATUS (optional)

5.1 Designation types at national and regional level:

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5.2 Relation of the described site with other sites:

5.3 Site designation (optional)

### 6. SITE MANAGEMENT

6.1 Body(ies) responsible for the site management:

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6.2 Management Plan(s):

An actual management plan does exist:

- Yes  
 No, but in preparation  
 No

6.3 Conservation measures (optional)

### 7. MAP OF THE SITES

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Map delivered as PDF in electronic format (optional)

- Yes  No

Reference(s) to the original map used for the digitalisation of the electronic boundaries (optional).

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