Our Case Number: ABP-312131-21



Vivenne Burch & Others 17 Newbury Avenue Clonshaugh Dublin 17

Date: 03 October 2022

Re: Greater Dublin Drainage Project consisting of a new wastewater treatment plant, sludge hub centre, orbital sewer, outfall pipeline and regional biosolids storage facility Townlands of Clonshagh, Dubber and Newtown, County Fingal and Dublin City

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

The Board will revert to you in due course in respect of this matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of Fingal County Council and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Éimear Reilly \ Executive Officer Direct Line: 01-8737184

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Eimear Reilly

From:Eimear ReillySent:Monday 3 October 2022 14:53To:vivburch@hotmail.comSubject:RE: Objection to ABP-312131-21 Planning Application by Irish Water

Hi Vivienne

The Board acknowledges receipt of your submission. I have updated our system to reflect the change in contacts for this. Please accept my sincere condolences on the passing of Eddie.

A formal acknowledgement letter will issue to you by post today.

Kind regards

Eimear

From: Vivienne Burch <<u>vivburch@hotmail.com</u>> Sent: Wednesday 28 September 2022 13:05 To: SIDS <<u>sids@pleanala.ie</u>> Subject: Objection to ABP-312131-21 Planning Application by Irish Water

For the attention of Ms Eimear Reilly

Dear Ms Reilly

Please find attached letter outlining my objection to the proposed wastewater treatment facility in Clonshaugh.

Please note that your original letter was addressed to my next-door-neighbour Mr Eddie Larkin, who submitted this on behalf of myself and other residents of Newbury Avenue. Sadly, Eddie passed away last year, so can I please ask that all future correspondence is sent to me, Mrs Vivienne Burch, at the address listed in my letter.

I would be grateful if you could please confirm receipt of this email.

Thank you.

Kind regards Vivienne Burch

17 Newbury Avenue Clonshaugh Dublin 17

28 September 2022

Ms Eimear Reilly Executive Officer An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1

Old Ref: 06F PC0152

New Ref: ABP-312131-21

Subject: OBJECTION to "Planning Application by Irish Water in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development"

Dear Ms Reilly

Thank you for your letter dated 26th August 2022, which was addressed to my neighbour Mr Eddie Larkin, who submitted this on behalf of myself and other residents of Newbury Avenue. Sadly, Eddie passed away last year, so can I please ask that all further correspondence is sent to me, Mrs Vivienne Burch, at the above address.

I note that the planning application from Irish Water to develop a new regional wastewater treatment facility in Clonshaugh has been reactivated under the new reference ABP-312131-21. My original concerns stand and I would like to again strongly object to this planning application. The potential health and environmental impacts from the waste of several counties transported into our locality is a huge concern for the community.

To re-iterate, I would like it rejected for the following reasons:

- 1. The plant is too big and will treat waste for over three quarter of a million people. It goes against best practice which would be to have smaller plants built in a variety of locations instead.
- It will have a negative impact and will lower the reputation of the area, which has already been affected by over-population and socio-economic issues which the community are striving to over-come.
- 3. We already have problems related to traffic in the area. Tanker trucks will be driven to the plant up the N32/R139 and this will further exacerbate the problems we already have.
- 4. We have a large population living around this area which will be adversely affected by this Proposed Project.
- 5. The smell from the plant is going to affect everyone in the area. This plant is 4 times the size of Croke Park, it will not be possible to control all the odour coming from this area to the large population living beside it.
- 6. No houses from our area or surrounding areas will be serviced by this plant, yet will have to put up with the consequences of having it on our doorstep.

- 7. Portmarnock beach is the only Blue Flag beach we have. This waste will be brought back in by the tides destroying the only good beach we have.
- 8. This will have negative impacts on tourism and leisure in this area including the visual impact on the ground and overhead, as it is on the DAA flight plan with aircraft constantly flying overhead.

I would like to request that:

- all surveys, including marine seabed surveys, are updated to 2022.
- We have updated EIAR and NIS which includes cumulative impact of all planning permissions granted since June 2018
- We have a detailed report on UV treatment. At an oral hearing we were advised that UV treatment on the wastewater being discharged would be conducted, but no report was issued so we have been unable to review.
- We have an assessment of whether project complies with planning and environmental legislation introduced since June 2018
- There is an assessment of microplastics and nano plastics
- A comprehensive review is given on the interaction with new flight paths and runways, in particular the Biogas storage tanks directly under flight path.
- There is updated hydrological modelling around discharge pipe.

I would also like to ask why An Bord Pleanala did not comply with the Court ruling. The original environmental studies conducted will now be out of date and six months is not enough time for a comprehensive review.

We do hope that you will take our objection seriously.

My family and I strongly appeal this decision and I ask that you please take my objection seriously.

Yours faithfully

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Vivienne Burch