

Our Ref: ABP-301908-18



An
Bord
Pleanála

Anne Murphy
"St. Anne's"
Kinsealy Lane
Malahide
Co. Dublin

Date: 16th August 2018

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 Madam

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. A receipt for the fee lodged is enclosed.

The Board will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

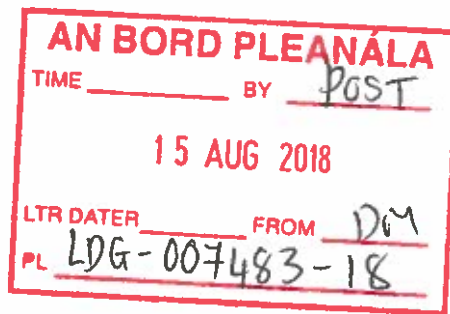
Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of Dublin City Council and Fingal County Council and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

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,

Kieran Somers
Executive Officer
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to lodge my objection to the Greater Dublin Drainage Project, Reference No. O6F.PCO152. I have enclosed a cheque for €50 (I have no cheque book, hence the reason for the different name on the cheque) and the following list of my objections to the Greater Dublin Drainage Project.

Objections to Greater Dublin Drainage Project

- A network of local wastewater treatment plants is the way forward not a single giant sewage plant.
- The fact that there will be only secondary treatment of wastewater instead of tertiary treatment is unacceptable. The highest level of treatment technology available should be used.
- Pump breakdown (as happened in Edinburgh in April 2007, over 170,000 tonnes) triggering the emergency discharge of raw sewage. Any man made structure is liable to malfunction at some stage and the consequences of a malfunction at a giant sewage treatment plant compared to a smaller, localised sewage treatment plant are enormous.
- The environmental consequences of torrential rainfall could overwhelm the sewers and cause outflow of 1000s of untreated sewage with potential catastrophic effects on the Portmarnock and Baldoyle coastlines and beyond. This would be mitigated with smaller, localised sewage treatment plants.
- Fingal County Council are promoting Fingal as a tourist destination with a particular emphasis on our coastline and heritage. This proposed single giant sewage plant is at odds with this coastline and heritage promotion. The Velvet Strand, Portmarnock – location of the first East-West Transatlantic flight by the Southern Cross to Newfoundland, Canada in 1939 and winner of the International Blue Flag Beaches and Green Coast Award 2018. The positioning of the outflow pipe (containing only secondary treated wastewater) between Portmarnock and Baldoyle is inexplicable.
- The potential negative environmental effects of this secondary treated wastewater on the Special Areas of Conservation and the Special Protected Areas (such as Ireland's Eye, Lambay Island, Baldoyle Bay, Malahide/Seabury/Broadmeadow Estuary) are catastrophic.
- Including areas of Kildare and Meath in this project is unacceptable and unreasonable. Sewage treatment should occur locally.

Yours Sincerely,

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