Our Ref: ABP-301908-18



Cllr Brian McDonoagh 22 Strandmill Road Portmarnock County Dublin

Date: 21 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 Sir

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,

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Dublin is growing at rate that requires serious investment in sewage treatment in order to protect our rivers and our beaches. The provision of this facility is an attempt to ensure that we can protect our beaches from discharges caused by lack of capacity. A single large plant has been identified as the most effective way to ensure we prevent pollution on our beaches. As someone who is a former Lifeguard, and swimming teacher and swims nearly every day from May until October, (as well as the occasional winter swim) I am completely committed to protecting the water quality of the Coast and Portmarnock beach in particular. I strongly support a strategic long term investment to help achieve this until 2050

There are legitimate concerns about the impact of the plant

1 Odour.

The most stringent odour control conditions must be applied. It is unacceptable that any odour pollution be experienced by residents in Clonshaugh or surrounding areas.

2 Wastewater output

I have serious concerns that the proposed outfall could affect the quality of Water in the surrounding sea waters and in coastal areas. In particular the waters off Howth and Portmarnock, Burrow and Claremont beaches as well as Baldoyle estuary. In order to address public confidence in the project I believe precise details of the proposed treatment and exact minimum water standards, including removal of all Nitrates should be attached as a planning condition.

I understand that the EPA will be responsible for the licence and that treatment methodology may evolve and move on, however I believe that the surrounding areas should be treated as High quality shellfish waters. We should have the ambition to return those waters to pristine conditions. An essential part of such a plan would be to ensure that the outflow is not just above bathing water quality but also that all nitrates should be removed to help prevent potential algae bloom events and any possible potential adverse outcome under normal operating conditions

Cllr Brian McDonagh