

Our Ref: ABP-301908-18



Carolyn Finn
25 St Brendans Terrace
Coolock Village
Dublin 5

Date: 23rd 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
Direct Line: 01-873 7107

16/08/2018

Dear Secretary,

AN BORD PLEANÁLA	
TIME _____	BY _____
17 AUG 2018	
LTR DATE _____	FROM _____
PL LAG 00	7643-18

AN BORD PLEANÁLA	
Received:	17/8/18
Fee:	€50 Cash
Receipt No:	

We like many other people in the Clonshaugh and greater area, we are writing to express our strong objection at the proposed treatment plant at Stockhole Lane, Clonshaugh, Dublin. (Ref: PL06F.301908).

While we understand the need to improve and invest in Ireland's wastewater network, we do have our concerns. This was visible at a meeting held in Priorswood on Wednesday 15/08.

As you are aware, this site will be in close proximity to housing estates. The nearest house will be a mere few hundred metres away. The surrounding area is already disrupted with large volumes of traffic and this is evident any day of the week. Heavy machinery will off course only add to this. The odour which is expected from a plant of this size will highly impact the daily lives of local residents and businesses.

If digging was to commence, off course this is going to cause vermin to find home elsewhere. There is a large chance that their new home may become our existing homes.

Beaches are popular with many Northside residents. It has been noted that in recent months, some beaches have had issues with water quality. We would be concerned that issues will only increase.

We would be concerned that our already limited amount of blue flag beaches on the Northside of Dublin may decrease, thus meaning families, children, and businesses bearing the brunt of this.

Will our children, our grandchildren who play in many of the local playgrounds, who partake in many local recreational activities be a thing of the past? Will BBQs be soon not heard off? Will outdoor activities be non-existent? Who wants to breathe in the odours that this plant will release? Do you?

One would be of the opinion that such a large plant will have an impact on the birdlife at both the proposed site and Ireland's Eye. Ireland's Eye is a popular breeding ground for seabirds. Has this been taken into consideration? Has a survey been submitted with findings? If so, perhaps you could share. Let's not forget Bull Island and all that it offers to seabirds and the famous Brent geese. These beautiful birds often flock to Newbury Park. Will this become another thing of the past?

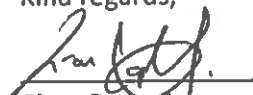
It would appear Tourism Ireland exhaust their efforts to attract visitors to our beautiful shores. Thousands of tourists each year descend on Dublin Airport. Due to the proposed site location, we would be exposing our visitors to such an odour upon arrival to Dublin Airport which may leave them with a less than favourable impression of Dublin and indeed Ireland.

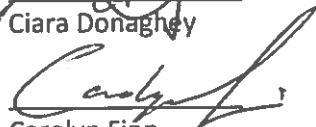
We have also been informed that works for this plant are being outsourced to two companies in the UK. So not only are you planning to implement such a large scale plant that will affect so many local people and businesses but you are also outsourcing all works overseas. Surely, Ireland and its people can offer the necessary skills that such a project requires. Are there any benefits for the local community for this plant being placed in our area?

Perhaps, such a plant would be best placed in an area which is far less populated than Clonshaugh / Coolock. Let's not continue with the typical 'let's save money' attitude and focus more on people, their health and their local area.

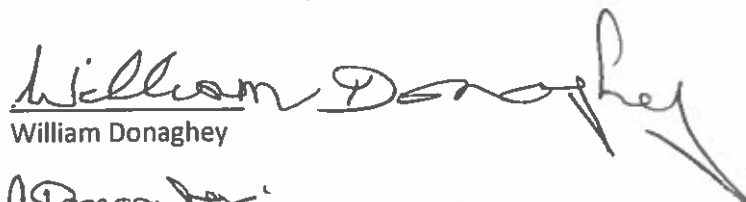
The local people just like me won't stay quiet; we will be heard and we won't accept your preposterous plan in such a residential area.

Kind regards,


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