



Gillian Cleary
13 Balgriffin Cottages
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Dublin 13

Date: 20th 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

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15th August 2018

The Secretary.
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1

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Received: _____
Fee: _____
Receipt No: _____

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TIME _____ BY _____
16 AUG 2018
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Re: Objection to Application Reference Number: 06F PC0152 The Waste Water Treatment Plant at Clonshaugh

A Chara,

I am writing in relation to the planning application for the sewage plant in Clonshaugh.

To this end, I enclose the €50 fee in the form of a cheque payable to An Bord Pleanála.

I object in the strongest possible terms to the proposal to build the sewage plant in this location for the following reasons:

Impact on the Local Community:

The proposed site will be situated in the heart of a very built up residential area. Indeed since the site was selected, there has been considerable housing development in this area.

The smells emanating from the plant cannot be completely suppressed and house prices will drop, resulting in a considerable number of people returning to negative equity.

Planning large scale residential development and a sewage plant in adjacent locations would be at best negligent. A location appropriately distanced from dense housing would be a more viable option for such a facility to restrict the number of people affected by the operation.

Health Risk:

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Received: 16/08/18
Fee: €50.00 CHQ
Receipt No: LDG

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DWWTS which are not properly maintained pose a risk to human health and have the potential to put the environment at risk through the escape of inadequately treated effluent to ground and surface waters. It is not reasonable to assume that occasional operational failure will not occur. It will occur!

Appropriate risk should not include such a large population. A location appropriately distanced from dense housing would be a more viable option for such a facility to restrict the number of people affected by the fallout.

Environmental Risk:

The effluent will be pumped out to sea close to our only Blue Flag beach at Portmarnock. Planning to do this is planning to destroy a public amenity. Again, failure will occasionally occur and including a Blue Flag beach in this risk is wholly inappropriate.

Appropriate risk should include waste to be evacuated in an area that is not a public amenity.

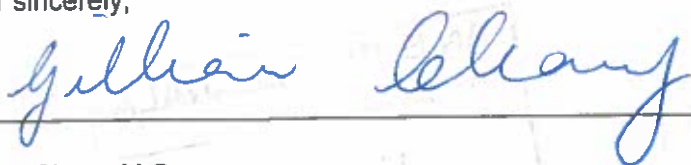
Design/Build:

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) indicated that the Ringsend Wastewater treatment plant failed to meet European Union standards and pollution limits under its 2016 licence. It was named as one of the worst industrial sources of water pollution in Europe by the European Environment Protection Agency (EEA).

This precedent coupled with the lack of consultation for the proposed Clonsaugh plant is very worrying, along with skipping the planning process directly to the Appeal Board.

I implore you to get an EPA assessment done on all new plants to avoid a similar problem on a far larger scale, on which could have a serious impact on human health. Rushing this facility through planning will cause greater damage in the long run.

Your sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, reading "Gillian Cleary", is written over a horizontal line.

Gillian Cleary M.Sc.