Our Ref: ABP-301908-18



Senator Lorraine Clifford-Lee Seanad Éireann Leinster House Kildare Street Dublin 2

Date: 23 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 Pleanala 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 Pleanala 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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16 August 2018

RE: Objection to Greater Dublin Drainage Application 06F.PC0152

Dear Sirs

I am writing to you today to object to the proposed Greater Dublin Drainage Sewage Plant in North Dublin. I, like many others, have specific concerns about the outflow pipe into Baldoyle Bay between Portmarnock and Baldoyle.

As you may be aware, Portmarnock is home to a blue flag beach. This beach is a much used amenity by both locals and tourists during the summer. I, like many others, am worried that Portmarnock beach may lose it's blue flag because of this outflow pipe. This would have a significant impact on the local economy as it would inevitably reduce the amount of tourists coming to the area. Moreover, now more than ever, we are trying to encourage people to adopt a healthy lifestyle from a young age. Portmarnock beach is used by thousands of local people each week for such activities. I have serious concerns about the health and safety of people who both swim and use the beach if this proposed Greater Dublin Drainage sewage plant goes ahead. I would like to know if studies have been carried out to assess the potential health risks to local population and indeed all users of the beach.

In addition, residents of Ringsend have complained of a persistent noxious smell for years. I would have similar concerns for the residents of Portmarnock and Baldoyle in this regard.

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I also have grave concerns regarding the impact the proposed plant would have on local fishing and agricultural industries.

It is widely recognised that more capacity is needed in the GDA for waste treatment. However, the sheer size and scale of this project is alarming to say the least. If any of the raw sewage escape from the plant from the some 500,000 people it served, it would be an environmental disaster. I am calling for greater engagement with the people of Fingal, so that their voices are heard and concerns met in relation to waste treatment facilities.

Please find enclosed bank draft for \in 50.

Yours sincerely,

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