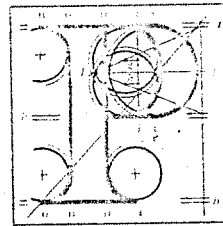


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Angela Morrissy Lawless  
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**Date:** 19 November 2025

**Re:** Proposed development of a resource recovery centre (including waste-to-energy facility)  
in Ringaskiddy, County Cork.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún 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. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

The Commission 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 the local authority and at the offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála when they have been processed by the Commission.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Commission's website: [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie).

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission. Please quote the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Commission.

Yours faithfully,

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My name is Angela Morrissey Lawless

I would like to object to the proposed National Toxic Waste Incinerator at Rinaskiddy.

As a young woman, I remember listening to Dr Rory Finnegan refer to Cork Harbour as a topographical dish, subject to weather in version. A pot with a lid on it.

For many years, the reality of living beneath that lid has been denied and disregarded by those in authority, who have preferred to ignore the richness of the territory in favour of a selective interpretation of the map.

Endless data, and scientific reports have failed to protect this harbour. Our knowledge of complex living systems is incomplete and will remain so. Our best available technology has never been enough and never will be.

This voice is the echo of a young mother who, almost forty years ago moved to Crosshaven. Back then; she could not understand why her bedroom was stinking of rotten cabbage (Mercaptan). That creature learned a new vocabulary: Dioxins, Dibenzofurans, and a tricky substance called 2378TCDD, all unintentional by products of incineration.

Understandably; she feared for the health of her children, and spoke out. Little did she know that her life and the lives of some of her neighbours would become classic examples of what happens in the territory.

At thirty four, my son died of bone marrow cancer. The condition was complicated by a mutated gene in chromosome seven. My neighbour's little boy was barely five ( a rare cancer). Can I prove a connection to airborne pollutants? Of course not. No baseline health study was ever conducted in the Harbour, because by the time it was called for, it was already too late.

This application poses deep existential questions. Do we still believe that we have dominion over life? What mentality is behind this and what motivates it? I presume we will

not be insulted by the suggestion that this facility will provide electricity for the Harbour without environmental consequences.

Can we grow up and take adult responsibility for this precious planet. A psychologically health species would not destroy it's future by desecrating it's own habitat.

This is on our watch, and it is not .... a them and us issue. We either hand our children and grandchildren a future, or a dystopia too unbearable to contemplate.

Angela Morrissey Lawless

Former spokesperson for (RICH) Responsible Industry for Cork Harbour.