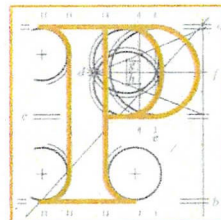


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Deirdre Sexton
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Date: 25 November 2025

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.

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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17 November 2025

Dear Sir / Madam,

Observation on SID Application - Case Ref# PA04.318802, Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork

I am writing to state my objection to the proposed building of an Incinerator in Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork.

As stated in Ireland's Climate Change Assessment 2024. Human activity has resulted in widespread and rapid changes in climate which are already impacting us all today. The future of climate is all our collective hands and every action matters. Ireland currently emits more emissions per head of population than the EU average. A legal basis for deep, rapid and sustained national emissions cuts now exists. Current policy remains insufficient to meet these aims.

1. The granting of a licence to incinerate at Ringaskiddy is a direct contradiction to the legal requirement to minimise emissions. Reported data for 2023 is 30% recycling of plastics in Ireland. Plastics are made from fossil fuels and hence are fossil fuels, using fossil fuels to burn fossil fuels (plastics) will only cause an increase in emissions
2. Both Wales and Scotland have banned any further incineration plants in light of environmental issues.
3. We must learn from recent and past history, in our inability as a nation to protect our natural resources of land, water, air. Our individual and collective health is inextricably linked to the health of our environment.
In 2005 the Irish citizens covered the cost to clean up Cork harbour of industrial hazardous waste after the government failed in an effort to force the former

owners, Indian conglomerate Ispat, to pay for it.

On the 12 August this year the fish kill on over a 30km stretch in the river Blackwater in Cork highlights the inability to manage the cumulative effect of multiple licensed discharge points along the river.

Ringaskiddy is already a highly industrial zone, adding more industrial emissions to this locality puts more pressure on the local environment. Once Incinerated waste is dispersed into the atmosphere and it will be impossible to contain where it ends up. The increase in emissions from incineration increases risk of environmental contamination to water, air and land, which in turn impacts the wellbeing of all life in the area.

I strongly urge you to refuse planning permission for this project and I am requesting an Oral Hearing to continue to allow full public participation in this application.

Yours faithfully,

Deirdre Sexton