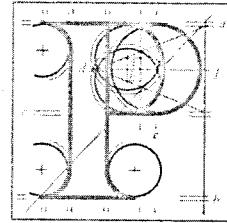


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Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Coimisiún
Pleanála**

Dr Lisa Glynn & Dr Ciarán McDonald
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Spy Hill
Cobh
Co. Cork
P24 NA72

Date: 17 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,

Kevin McGettigan

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OBSERVATION ON SID APPLICATION - Case reference: PA04.318802, Ringaskiddy Co Cork
Proposed development of a resource recovery centre (including waste-to-energy facility)
by Indaver NV t/a Indaver Ireland

OBSERVER NAME

DR CIARÁN
DR LISA GLYNN + MCDONALD DATE 14/11/25

OBSERVER ADDRESS

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OBSERVATION DETAILS

Notwithstanding the information submitted in August 2025, the site is fundamentally too small for the project proposed and continues to reduce in size, with coastal erosion on one side and boundary reduced by M28 on the other. *It is considered that the actual usable area of the site is inadequate in relation to the scale of development proposed. (Derek Daly, 2017).*

By all 3 Bord Pleanála Inspectors, the EIS was found to be deficient in substance even where found legally adequate in form. *The information as submitted to the Board is therefore insufficient to enable the Board to carry out an environmental impact assessment in an appropriate manner, and to form a basis for an informed decision on the application. (Daly, 2017).* Despite revisions, the updated EIS material continues to repeat earlier conclusions and provide assertions without evidence.

There is no de novo site selection in the material submitted in 2025, but instead a justification based on site ownership by Indaver, with inadequate consideration given to major public and private investment initiatives which have transformed the character of the immediate area in the intervening period since 2000. *(Daly 2017)*

The site is located on a known flood risk area, marked as same in Table 4.1.17: Specific Development Objectives for Ringaskiddy, and on OPW floodinfo.ie, (Flood Summary ID-1364, 13082, 12085). *Mitigation measures to locate the facility at levels significantly above projected flooding levels would exacerbate the negative visual impact of the proposed large structure. It is my considered opinion that the site is inherently unsuitable for location of a use which processes, and generates hazardous compounds. (Oznur Yukel Finn, 2009)*

Notwithstanding the zoning of the greater Ringaskiddy area as industrial, the Indaver site area where the incinerator build is proposed (RY-I-09) is zoned as suitable for the extension of the Third Level Educational campus and enterprise related development including marine related education, enterprise, research and development. *(RY-I-09, Table 4.1.17: Specific Development Objectives for Ringaskiddy, Cork County Development Plan 2022 - 28)* This is dismissed in the August 2025 information but it is of critical importance that this zoning be upheld as it is directly linked to the investment in the NMCI and MaREI Campus areas and the potential for future growth of this sector. The proposed incinerator is therefore in direct contravention of the County Development Plan and contrary to the specified objectives for the immediate area.

Please refuse this planning application on the basis that the site is inherently unsuitable, concluded by all 3 Bord Pleanála Inspectors (Jones 2004, Yukel Finn 2009, Daly 2017) and the proposal contravenes the zoning of the Cork County Development Plan 2022 - 28 for this site.

I wish to request an Oral Hearing to continue full public participation in this application.

I enclose fee of €50

I have already submitted in 2016 so have paid prior fee

Additional pages attached (no of)

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Date: 14/10/2025

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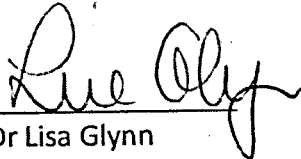
To whom it concerns,

My name is Dr Lisa Glynn and I work as a general practitioner (GP) doctor in Cobh and my husband Dr Ciaran McDonald is a consultant Gastroenterologist in the Mercy University Hospital. Our family now live in Cobh, County Cork which overlooks and is adjacent to Ringaskiddy, the location of the proposed resource recovery centre. We have three children. Our family has previously lived in Vancouver in Canada for one year (July 2022-July 2023) as part of our training as doctors. There we experienced first-hand the effects of poor air quality. On a personal level when we went out for walks at times of poor air quality we could see the dust in the air which was almost like a fog. Walking through this air one would feel breathless and have respiratory symptoms such as coughing which made walking unpleasant and led us to go home and heed the government warnings to stay indoors due to poor air quality. I may add that I have no underlying respiratory condition that would otherwise cause these symptoms. While working as a GP in Vancouver, where I practiced in a location called Seymour Medical Centre on West 7th Avenue, I saw the direct impact of this poor air quality on my patients. At times of poor air quality, which could last for months, especially during the warmer Summer, my patients with underlying conditions such as asthma were forced to work from home and close their windows and use air filtration systems in their homes as any exposure to the poor quality would trigger their asthma. I was appalled by the direct impact that poor air quality had on a person's health. In County Cork, by way of contrast, I have never seen a patient with an exacerbation of asthma due to poor air quality at any time since I have been practicing as a doctor since 2012.

We have excellent air quality in County Cork at present but this could be compromised if the proposed resource recovery centre were allowed to be built. We already have an oil refinery in Whitegate in Cork Harbour which releases pollution into our air. We need to protect the invaluable resource which is our good air quality in Ireland. I think this is something that we

as a nation take for granted. In order to safeguard the health of our current and future populations I would advise an Comisiún Pleanála to take heed of the reasons not to approve application PA04.318802 as outlined in the previous document.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Lisa Glynn', written over a horizontal line.

Dr Lisa Glynn

MB BCh BAO MICGP DRCOG

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