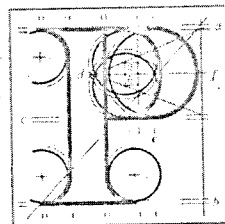


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**An
Coimisiún
Pleanála**

Edward White
The Lodge
Myrtleville
Co. Cork
P43PD35

Date: 09 December 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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Ringaskiddy Co. Cork ^{9.15} post

Proposed development of a resource recovery
centre (including waste-to-energy facility)
by Indaver NV t/a Indaver IRELAND.

Observer Name: EDWARD WHITE, DATE 10/11/2025

Observer Address: THE LODGE, MYRTLEVILLE,
Co. Cork. P43 PD35

Notwithstanding the information submitted in August
2025 there are risks of Air and water pollution.
Due to the burning of waste, pollutants will be
trapped in the harbour basin. There will be no
monitoring or filtering for fine particles (PM_{0.1}).

Also, because 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 flood info,ie,
(Flood Summary ID -1364, 13082, 12085).

Sea-swimming, always popular in the
harbour area, appears to be attracting huge
numbers with each passing year. Many sea-
swimmers will attest to its benefits to both
their physical and mental health. I have never
heard any swimmer or any health professional
dispute the health benefits of sea-swimming.

The inevitability of hazardous compounds
and particles entering the sea water of the
harbour, through flooding of the site, and the air

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The first part of the report is devoted to the description of the project and its objectives. The second part contains the results of the research and the conclusions drawn from them. The third part is devoted to the discussion of the results and the comparison of the results with the results of other studies. The fourth part is devoted to the conclusions and the recommendations for further research.

through the burning of waste can only cause harm to the physical health of us sea-swimmers here in Hightville, Fountainsham and all the other swimming places in the harbour. The inevitable pollution to water and air would diminish our physical health if we continue to swim in the harbour's water and our physical health would be diminished even if we feel we must refrain for safety reasons from our regular swims in the harbour's waters.

Similarly our mental health ~~would~~ be affected if we continue to swim in the harbour area due to anxiety about contaminated water. And if we do not continue our regular swims in the harbour's waters, due to our fear of the pollution caused by burning of waste then our mental health will suffer anyway. This would be due to being deprived of our regular swim, based on real fears of water and air quality, caused by the pollution. Particles from the smoke plume will inevitably settle on land and water over a wide area as the wind takes them.

Additionally, significant deposits of carbon will be released during excavation of the site.

I see evidence in my own work in mental health services ~~and that~~, that more and more people have challenges to their mental health. Anxiety is a huge factor for many of them, in challenges to their mental health. I would argue that the Commission Planala if it refuses this planning application can reduce anxiety somewhat, at least for

The immediate harbor population, And as a result assist in the promotion of good mental-health in that population. Because in that context those of us in that population, swimmers, walkers, sailors and many others would have as our focus the fact of a decision which would have preserved clean water and air into the future.

However the effect of the opposite decision by the Commission Pleavalga could only be detrimental to our mental health due to anxiety about polluted water, and fuel to anxiety about our physical health from the same source of pollution, namely the burning of waste in commercial by Finlowses Ireland on the proposed Cork harbour site.

If the Commission Pleavalga refuse the planning application it would be acting also to enhance an excellent natural resource and amenity. Arguably the Commission Pleavalga would also have the effect in such a decision of promoting good mental-health, which is one of the things required to reduce suicide numbers.

Please refuse this planning application for the reasons outlined above, i.e. in order to assist the physical and mental health of all who use the harbour for leisure and for the good of our health, including us swimmers.

Please refuse it also on the basis

That the site is inherently unsuitable, concluded by all 3 Bord Pleanála, Inspectors (Jones 2004, Mabel 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 attach the fee of £50.

I wish you good health,

Yours sincerely,

Edward White

10/11/2025

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