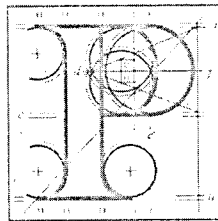


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An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Jenny & Seán Ó Loingsigh
Doire na Sagart
Walterstown
An Cóbh
Co. Chorcaí
P24DH96

Date: 21 November 2025

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

Dear Sir / Madam,

Fuair an Coimisiún Pleanála an aighneacht uait le déanaí i ndáil leis an bhforbairt bheartaithe thuasluaite, agus cuirfidh sé san áireamh í agus cinneadh á dhéanamh aige ar an ní. Glac leis an litir seo mar admháil don táille €50 atá fochta agat.

Tiocfaidh an Coimisiún ar ais chugat in am trátha maidir leis an ní.

Tabhair faoi deara go gcuirfear cóipeanna de na haighneachtaí/tuairimí uile a gheofar i ndáil leis an iarratas ar fáil lena n-íniúchadh ag an bpobal in oifigí an údaráis áitiúil agus in oifigí an Choimisiúin Pleanála nuair a bheidh siad próiseáilte ag an gCoimisiún.

Is féidir faisnéis níos mine i ndáil le forbairt bonneagair straitéisigh a fháil ar shuíomh Gréasáin an Choimisiúin: www.pleanala.ie.

Má bhíonn aon cheisteanna agat idir an dá linn, déan teagmháil leis an oifigeach den Choimisiún atá ainmnithe thíos. Luaigh uimhir thagartha thuasluaite an Choimisiúin Pleanála in aon chomhfhreagrais nó aon teagmháil teileafóin leis an gCoimisiún.

Yours faithfully,

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Observer Name: Jenny agus Seán Ó Loingsigh **Dáta:** 13-11-2025

Observer Address: 'Doire na Sagart', Walterstown, An Cóbh, Co. Chorcaí. P24 DH96

Observation Details:

De dheasca an eolais curtha ós bhúr gcómhair i Lúnasa 2025, tá an suíomh ró-bheag ar fad don togra atá á phleanáil ag Indaver. De bharr creimeadh talún, tá laghdú leanúnach ag tarlú dá mhéid ar thaobh amháin agus laghdú eile de bharr an mótarbhealach nua N28 ar an dtaobh eile. Meastar dá bharr go bhfuil an suíomh atá fágtha i bhfad ró-bheag do scála an togra atá i gceist anseo. (Derek Daly 2017)

De réir an triúr Cigirí ón mBórd Pleanála go dtí seo, aimsíodh go raibh an EIS (Ráiteas Tionchar Aeráide) easnamhach go bunúsach cé gur gcomhlíon sé roinnt de na dlíthe i bhfoirm. Dá réir, tá an t-eolas atá curtha ós cómhair an Bhóird, easnamhach dóibh chun Measúnú Tionchar Aeráide cuí a dhéanamh, agus chun teacht ar choinne eolaithe ar an iarratas. (Daly 2017)

Níl aon measúnú déanta ar an suíomh ó 2001, cé go bhfuil athruithe súntasacha tarlaithe sa cheantar ó shin. Theip air próiséis roghnaithe an WHO, (Eagraíocht Sláinte Domhanda), a shásamh i 2001, agus is cinnte nach sásódh anois iad. An t-aon dearcadh atá ag Indaver ná gur leo an suíomh.

Tá baol tuille ag baint leis an suíomh seo. An réiteach atá ag Indaver ná leibhéil na háite a ardú 4m, rud a chuirfidh níos mó fós le tionchar súl an loiscneora. Is léir gur suíomh mí-cheart ar fad é.

Tá iarratas Indaver ag déanamh neamháird ar an zónáil atá i bhfeidm anois san láthair. Níl sé ainmnithe mar láthair tionscaíochta, ach mar láthair oideachais agus taighde mara. Da bharr, téann sé i gcoinne Plean Forbhartha an Chomhairle Chontae.

Ón ár dtaobh pearsanta de, tá cónaí orainn i gCóbh, i gcuan Chorcaí. Tá clann agus garchlann againn anseo, a bheidh ag deileáil le droch-impleachtaí an loiscneora sa todhcaí, gan aon rogha acu. Ní bheidh saíd buíoch dúinn, muna gcuirimíd stad leis an dtionscnamh uafásach seo.

Luaitear baol ailse i measc breotaichtaí eile, loiscneoir a bheith sa cheantar. Is léir go mbeidh ar Indaver go leor ábhair drachmhaíle a impórtáil ó thíortha eile chun an loiscneoir a choimeád lasta timpeall an chloig. Beidh drachmhaoil tíortha eile an domhain ag cur le truailliú ár dtímpeallacht anseo i gcuan Chorcaí. Níl fáilte roimhe san chuan anseo agus ní bheidh riamh.

I bpolasaí an rialtais, luaitear an Eacnamaíocht Ciorcalach, ag cur béim ar athchúrsáil, athúsáid agus laghdú ár n-úsáid dár n-achmhainní. Ní luíonn loiscneoireacht isteach leis seo in aon slí.

Tá súil againn go n-éistefar lenár agóid seo, agus go dtabharfar éisteacht dúinn. Más eol dúinn, ta sé de cheart bunrechtúil againn freagra a fháil don aighneacht seo, agus tá suil againn go bhfreagfófar é. Tá súil againn leis go mbeidh deis againn labhairt as Gaeilge ag aon cás cúirte amach anseo agus go mbeidh dlíodóirí Indaver sásta dealáil linn.

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Observer Name: Jenny and Seán Ó Loingsigh **Date:** 13-11-2025

Observer Address: 'Derrynasaggart', Walterstown, Cobh, Co. Cork.
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Observation Details:

Based on the information provided to us in August 2025, the site is far too small for the project proposed by Indaver. Due to land erosion, the size of the site is continuously decreasing on one side, with a further reduction to come due to the new N28 motorway on the other side. It is therefore considered that the remaining site is far too small for the scale of the project in question. (Derek Daly 2017)

According to the three Inspectors from An Bord Pleanála to date, the EIS (Environmental Impact Statement) was found to be fundamentally insufficient, even though it complied with some of the laws in form. Accordingly, the information presented to An Bord Pleanála is insufficient for it to conduct an appropriate Environmental Impact Assessment and to make a scientific opinion on the application. (Daly 2017)

No assessment has been carried out on the site since 2001, despite the significant changes which have occurred in the area since then. The site failed to satisfy the WHO (World Health Organisation) selection processes in 2001, and it would certainly fail to satisfy them now. Indaver's only position is that the site belongs to it.

This site is at risk of flood damage. Indaver's solution is to raise the site level by 4m, which will further increase the visual impact of the incinerator. It is clear that this site is wholly inappropriate.

Indaver's application disregards the zoning currently in place in the area. The site is not designated as an industrial site. Rather, it is designated as a marine education and research site. It therefore goes against the County Council's Development Plan.

From our personal perspective, we live in Cobh, by Cork harbour. We have children and grandchildren here, who will have no other choice but to tolerate the negative impacts of the incinerator in future. They will resent us unless we can put a stop to this horrible project.

The risk of cancer, among other illnesses, is linked to the presence of an incinerator in the area. It is clear that Indaver will have to import a lot of waste material from other countries in order to keep the incinerator running round the clock. The waste of other countries from all over the world will add to the pollution of our environment here at Cork harbour. The incinerator is not welcome at the harbour and never will be.

Government policy makes reference to the Circular Economy, emphasising recycling, reuse, and reduction in our use of resources. Incineration is completely at odds with this.

We hope that our objection will be taken into account and that we will be provided with a hearing. As we understand it, we have a constitutional right to receive a response to this submission, and we look forward to receiving a response. We hope that we will have the opportunity to speak in Irish at any future court case and that Indaver lawyers will be willing to deal with us.