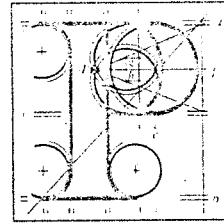


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**Date:** 19 November 2025

**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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With reference to **PA04.318802, Ringaskiddy, Co. Cork** I am appealing to you to act with integrity & refuse this application. The people won their cases against previous Planning Applications & have fought this Project for 24 years. It is not an equal playing field, it is easy for Indavar to continue when they have money & Industry behind them. Why can they not accept that the Community does not want this facility & they won their cases at great cost to them on many levels including personal & financial?

On a basic human level, why are the Community's concerns & worries about the impact of the proposed Resource Recovery Centre/Incinerator on their lives, their health & the environment continually ignored? The People of Cork Harbour already have so much locally by way of the Pharmaceutical Industry, the Crematorium as well as all the activity of the Port of Cork now located there also. People's lives are impacted hugely on a daily basis with the amount of traffic already & to add more is just too much. There is also the ongoing work for the new Motorway leading to delays & heavy traffic. Collisions are a daily occurrence due the volume of traffic already on the roads here. Adding extra vehicles for an Incinerator would be catastrophic.

A lot of money has been put into cleaning up Cork Harbour & the site of the former Irish Steel Plant to provide a lovely amenity for people especially families. I cannot understand why this Application is still on the table given all of this. Cruise Ships visit Cork Harbour daily during the Summer months & the presence of an Incinerator in Cork Harbour may impact these Cruise Ships visiting Cork which would have a huge financial impact on Tourism & the greater Cork area also.

Ringaskiddy is also a Third Level Educational Hub with NMCI & MaREI Campuses & has been zoned for future development in this sector so the proposed Incinerator is in direct contravention of the County Development Plans for this area. This proposed Incinerator would interfere also with a listed Heritage Site, [https://gsi.geodata.gov.ie/downloads/Geoheritage/Reports/CK077\\_Cork\\_CGS\\_Ringaskiddy.pdf](https://gsi.geodata.gov.ie/downloads/Geoheritage/Reports/CK077_Cork_CGS_Ringaskiddy.pdf), which has long been used for educational purposes.

No one denies there is a huge waste problem in our Society but the responsibility does not lie solely with consumers. Producers of this waste must shoulder responsibility too. If a Resource Recovery Centre/Incinerator is the only viable option, why not identify places where its impact on people & the environment are minimised? The Indavar application does not appear to consider other potentially suitable sites.

To have to fight this proposal again is added stress to the lives of people who have families, jobs & other responsibilities to deal with also. Ringaskiddy has previously been deemed unsuitable for the proposed Incinerator by previous An Bord Pleanala Inspectors – Jones 2004, Yukel Finn 2009 & Daly 2017. Coastal Erosion due to climate change has had an even greater impact in the intervening years and this is also a known flood risk area, making the site unsuitable for industrial infrastructure. On all the grounds I have outlined & other submissions made, I am asking that you refuse this application from Indavar.

Yours faithfully

Maria Buckley