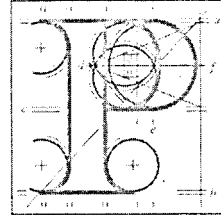


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**An  
Coimisiún  
Pleanála**

Sinead Hurley  
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**Date:** 13 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,

*Kevin McGettigan*

Kevin McGettigan  
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Hi Kevin

Its 16 Martello Rushbrooke Cobh

Many thanks  
Sinead Hurley

On Thu, Nov 13, 2025, 12:07 PM Kevin McGettigan <k.mcgettigan@pleanala.ie> wrote:

Dear Ms Hurley,

Can you please provide your postal address so I can acknowledge your submission received on 06.11.25?

Kind regards,

Kevin

Kevin McGettigan  
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To whom it may concern,

My name is Sinead Hurley and I am a resident and home owner in Cobh.

I am writing to urge the planning board to reject the proposal for an incinerator in Ringaskiddy on the basis of environmental impact, public health and the need that Cobh town has for tourism.

Ringaskiddy already has various different industries that contribute to the water and air pollution of the area. Cobh is a natural harbour and should be protected. Placing an incinerator on the coastline of Ireland's largest natural harbour, an area of immense ecological and cultural value, is inappropriate.

There are public health concerns that have been shared by many in relation to the proposed incinerator. I personally would not like my children to grow up in an area where a privately owned incinerator is contributing to increasing the pollution of the air which is linked to increased respiratory disease, cancer and development problems. We should not be introducing new ways to pollute our homes and towns.

As I stated, Cobh is a natural harbour with a rich history, known throughout the world. We are very lucky to welcome thousands of tourists during the year through the cruise port. As people sail into Cork they are welcomed by the historic view of Cobh Cathedral. Locating an industrial incinerator directly across the water in Ringaskiddy would send a deeply negative visual and symbolic message. Instead of clean air and scenic views, visitors would see and potentially smell a waste-burning facility.

This would undermine Cobh's image as a welcoming, heritage-rich destination and could have severe consequences for local tourism, small businesses, and employment.

The proposed development conflicts with Cork County's objectives to promote sustainable growth, protect coastal and scenic areas, and support tourism-based economies. We should prioritise recycling initiatives over incineration.

I respectfully urge you to refuse permission for the proposed incinerator at Ringaskiddy and to prioritise the protection of Cork Harbour as a place for clean industry, tourism, and community life.

Sincerely  
Sinead Hurley  
Resident, Cobh, Co Cork.