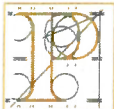


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### Planning Appeal Online Observation

Online Reference  
NPA-OBS-004810

#### Online Observation Details

Contact Name  
John Lombard

Lodgement Date  
13/07/2025 22:26:40

Case Number / Description  
322787

#### Payment Details

Payment Method  
Online Payment

Cardholder Name  
John Lombard

Payment Amount  
€50.00

#### Processing Section

S.131 Consideration Required

Yes — See attached 131 Form

N/A — Invalid

Signed

  
EO

Date

22/7/25

#### Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of

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Lodgement No

LDG—

Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer

Yes  No

Request Emailed to Senior Executive Officer for Approval

Yes  No

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EO

Date

#### Finance Section

Payment Reference

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Checked Against Fee Income Online

EO/AA (Accounts Section)

Amount

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Refund Date

Authorised By (1)

SEO (Finance)

Authorised By (2)

Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board Member

Date

Date

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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal No

ABP-322787

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Having considered the contents of the submission dated/received 13/7/25 from John Lombard I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 be/ notb einvoked at this stage for the following reason(s):

no new material information

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage.

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Section 131 to be invoked — allow 2/4 weeks for reply.

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Date

06/05/25

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Please prepare BP — Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached submission.

To

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Task No

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Allow 2/3/4 weeks

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Observation Submission – An Bord Pleanála  
Case Reference: ABP-322787

The Secretary  
An Bord Pleanála  
64 Marlborough Street  
Dublin 1  
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Planning Authority Reference 245503  
ABP Case Reference 322787

Name: Dr John Lombard  
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Contact Number: 086-3729382  
Date: 13 July 2025

To whom it may concern,

I strongly object to the granting of planning permission for planning application reference 245503 / ABP Case Reference 322787. In my initial submission to Cork County Council, I raised concerns related to the impact on health, the impact on water quality, air quality, road traffic safety, noise and vibration, and the interpretation of setback distance.

In this observation I wish to further record my concerns related to the impact on health. I believe that the initial EIAR did not sufficiently address the potential impact on health for people living in proximity to the proposed development. As such, planning should not be granted in circumstances where such a significant factor is not adequately assessed.

By way of background, I am an Associate Professor in the University of Limerick, and my research interests are primarily in the area of health law. The concept of health is broad as it encompasses physical, mental and social components. The impact on health is arguably one of the most significant matters to consider in the assessment of such a planning application. It requires an assessment of a complex and unique factual matrix arising in each location. The EIAR acknowledged the scale of project-related factors which can impact on health including Hydrology and Hydrogeology; Land, Soils and Geology; Material Assets; Shadow Flicker; Noise and Vibration; Landscape & Visual; Traffic and Transport; Air Quality; and Climate. However, the health impact was not explored in detail and the methodology applied did not comprehensively capture the experience of people who will be affected by this development presently and into the future. In Chapter 6 of the EIAR the only data cited to give an indication of health status was CSO data from 2016. This does not effectively capture the necessary data to assess the health impact of the proposed development in this location. In effect, it is far from being a robust basis on which current or future health developments can be accurately determined. Moreover, the assessment of health almost entirely excluded consideration of mental health.

Developments of this type raise serious health-related concerns as is evident from recent High Court decisions. It is therefore disappointing that such a sensitive issue was not adequately explored in the original planning application. The potential adverse impact on public health at a

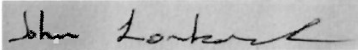
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later stage presents an unacceptable level of risk to those affected. In these circumstances, it would be neither prudent nor appropriate to permit the project to proceed.

Thank you for taking the time to read this observation.

Yours sincerely,

A rectangular box containing a handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "John Lombard".

John Lombard