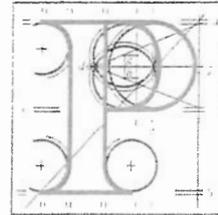


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Environmental Protection Agency
EIA Planning
Water, Energy & Business Support Programme
PO Box 3000
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Y35 W821

Date: 24 February 2026

Re: The proposed expansion of the existing landfill facility at the existing Knockharley Landfill in the townlands of Knockharley, Flemingstown and Tuiterrath Navan, Co. Meath

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Coimisiún Pleanála has received your submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

The Commission will revert to you in due course in respect of this 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,


Eimear Reilly
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From: Callum O'Reilly
Sent: Tuesday 24 February 2026 09:45
To: 'eiaplanning@epa.ie'
Cc: Eimear Reilly
Subject: RE: SID application at Knockharley Landfill Ltd
Attachments: ACP Ack Letter - Environmental Protection Agency - 24.02.26.pdf

Dear Marian Doyle,

Please find attached a scanned copy of the acknowledgement letter issued by post in response to your submission on this case.

Kind regards,

Callum

From: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 11 February 2026 12:51
To: LAPS <laps@pleanala.ie>
Cc: Eimear Reilly <e.reilly@pleanala.ie>
Subject: FW: SID application at Knockharley Landfill Ltd

From: EIAPanning <eiaplanning@epa.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 11 February 2026 12:14
To: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Cc: Bord <bord@pleanala.ie>
Subject: SID application at Knockharley Landfill Ltd

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**Notification of Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) Application: Knockharley Landfill Ltd,
Proposed Expansion of Knockharley Landfill, Navan, Co. Meath**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to correspondence received from consultants on behalf of Knockharley Landfill Ltd on 18th December 2025 requesting observations on the SID planning application and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the above referenced development. The Agency makes the below observations to An Coimisiún Pleanála.

Knockharley Landfill Limited was issued an Industrial Emissions (IE) Licence (Register No: W0146-04) on 16th May 2023 for an installation located at Knockharley, Navan (Includes Townlands of Tuitearath and Flemingstown), County Meath. The IE licence is for the below listed activities:

Regulated Activity	Main Class	Activity Description (Regulated Activity)
11.4 (a)(ii)	No	Disposal of non-hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 50 tonnes per day involving one or more of the following activities (other than activities to which the Urban Waste Water Treatment Regulations 2001 (S.I. No. 254 of 2001) apply): physico-chemical treatment;
11.4 (b)(iii)	No	Recovery, or a mix of recovery and disposal, of non-hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 75 tonnes per day involving one or more of the following activities, (other than activities to which the Urban Waste Water Treatment Regulations 2001 (S.I. No. 254 of 2001) apply): treatment of slags and ashes;
11.4 (b)(i)	No	Recovery, or a mix of recovery and disposal, of non-hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 75 tonnes per day involving one or more of the following activities, (other than activities to which the Urban Waste Water Treatment Regulations 2001 (S.I. No. 254 of 2001) apply): biological treatment; when the only waste treatment activity carried out is anaerobic digestion, the capacity threshold for this activity shall be 100 tonnes per day.
11.5	Yes	Landfills, within the meaning of section 5 (amended by Regulation 11(1) of the Waste Management (Certification of Historic Unlicensed Waste Disposal and Recovery Activity) Regulations 2008 (S.I. No. 524 of 2008)) of the Act of 1996, receiving more than 10 tonnes of waste per day or with a total capacity exceeding 25,000 tonnes, other than landfills of inert waste.
11.1	No	The recovery or disposal of waste in a facility, within the meaning of the Act of 1996, which facility is connected to or associated with another activity specified in this Schedule in respect of which a licence or revised licence under the Act of 1996 is in force or in respect of which a licence under the said Part is or will be required.

Please note that the licence application pertaining to this licence (W0146-04) was accompanied by an EIAR. Details of the licence application, EIAR, licence and any amendments made to the licence may be viewed on the Agency's website www.epa.ie. The licence may need to be reviewed or amended to accommodate the changes proposed in the planning application.

It is noted that the planning application was accompanied by an EIAR. As part of its consideration of any licence review application that may be received which addresses the changes proposed, the Agency shall ensure that before a revised licence is granted, the licence application will be made subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency and in accordance with Section 83(2A) and Section 87(1G)(a) of the EPA Act 1992 as amended (hereafter referred to as the EPA Act).

In addition, consultation on the licence application and EIAR will be carried out in accordance with Section 87 (1B) to (1H) of the EPA Act as appropriate. Please also note that you will be requested to provide the documentation relating to the EIA you have carried out to the Agency under Section 173A(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended.

Should a licence review application be received by the Agency, all matters to do with emissions to the environment from the activities proposed, the licence review application documentation and EIAR will be considered and assessed by the Agency.

Where the Agency is of the opinion that the activities, as proposed, cannot be carried on, or cannot be effectively regulated under a licence then the Agency cannot grant a licence for such an activity. Should the Agency decide to grant a licence in respect of the activity, as proposed, it will incorporate conditions that will ensure that appropriate National and EU standards are applied, and that Best Available Techniques (BAT) will be used in the carrying on of the activities.

Finally, please note that in accordance with Section 87(1D)(d) of the EPA Act, the Agency cannot issue a Proposed Determination on a licence application which addresses the development above until a planning decision has been made.

For all further queries and correspondence relating to planning matters, please contact eiaplanning@epa.ie

Yours faithfully,
Marian Doyle

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From: Ellen Woods <ellenw@tpa.ie>
Sent: Thursday 18 December 2025 12:38
To: Licensing Staff <licensing@epa.ie>; SEA <SEA@epa.ie>
Cc: Hugh Kelly <hugh@tpa.ie>
Subject: SID application at Knockharley Landfill Ltd

Dear Sir/Madam,

Knockharley Landfill Ltd. has retained Tom Phillips + Associates (Town Planning Consultants), to issue to the Environmental Protection Agency copies of a Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) application in relation to a proposed development at the existing Knockharley Landfill.

The application contents can be accessed at the following website: www.knockharleylandfillsid.ie

Regards,

Ellen Woods
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15 December 2025

Dear Sir / Madam

RE: SID APPLICATION, CONTAINING AN EIAR, FOR A PROPOSED EXPANSION OF KNOCKHARLEY LANDFILL, NAVAN, CO. MEATH

1.0 INTRODUCTION

Knockharley landfill Ltd.¹ has retained Tom Phillips + Associates (Town Planning Consultants)², to issue, to prescribed bodies listed by An Coimisiún Pleanála in its Pre-Planning Closure Letter dated 13 October 2025 (Ref. ABP-321572-25), copies of a Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) application in relation to a proposed development at the existing Knockharley Landfill.

The subject development comprises an increase to the landfill area by approximately 17.68 ha, which will provide approximately 4.12 million m³ of void space (3.32 million m³ of additional constructed void space with further void space of 807,000 m³ for the 'Piggyback Cell') for the continued disposal of waste.

Ireland faces significant challenges in responding to mounting pressure on its waste management infrastructure. If left unaddressed, this pressure could lead to serious consequences, including ultimately the non-collection of municipal waste. Provision of waste collection services and well-engineered waste management capacity is essential to avoid contamination of water, soil, and air, the proliferation of life-threatening diseases, disruption of critical infrastructure, and the visible decline of urban and rural landscapes.

Key reports such as the *Mid-Term Evaluation of the National Hazardous Waste Management Plan 2021–2027 (2024)* and the *Circular Economy and Waste Statistics Highlights Report 2021 (2022)* underscore these challenges and identify that Ireland's transition to a circular economy is faltering.

This letter is provided in accordance with ACP's direction to notify the prescribed bodies.

¹ 24 Ballymount Road Upper, Dublin 24.

² 80 Harcourt Street, Dublin 2, D02 F449.



2.0 CONCLUSION AND PLANNING PROCEDURE

The application comprises, *inter alia*:

- Statutory particulars including cover letter, application form, copies of notices, lists of prescribed bodies.
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report.
- AA Screening/NIS.
- Planning Report/Cover Letter.
- Planning Application drawings.

The planning application contents can be accessed at the following website: www.knockharleylandfillsid.ie

An Coimisiún Pleanála may grant permission for the strategic infrastructure development as proposed; or may grant permission subject to such modifications as it specifies in its decision; or may grant permission in part only, with or without any other modifications it may specify in its decision; or may refuse to grant permission for the proposed development. An Coimisiún Pleanála may attach to a grant of permission such conditions as it considers appropriate. Submissions or observations may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála (“the Commission”), 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1 during the eight-week consultation period (commencing 19th December 2025 and ending 12th February 2026) relating to:

- i. The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development;
- ii. The likely effects on the environment of the Proposed Development; and
- iii. The likely significant effects of the proposed development on the integrity of a European Site if carried out.

Any submissions or observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies). Such submissions/observations must also include the following:

- I. The name of the person making the submission/observation, the name of the person acting on his/her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent;
- II. The subject matter of the submission or observation; and
- III. The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full. (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations refers).

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission. Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the SID Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Tel. 01-8588100).

We endeavored to make contact with you requesting whether you would accept an electronic copy. Due to the extent of documentation submitted (over 2,000 pages) and the number of prescribed bodies listed, and due to the nature of the development (a waste landfill), we have tried to limit the amount of printing requirements in the interests of the environment and sustainability.



As such, please find enclosed at www.knockharleylandfillsid.ie, an electronic copy of all planning documentation submitted. We will also issue to you, by post, an electronic CD copy in due course. Should you require a hard copy of the application, please do not hesitate to contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely



Brian Minogue
Associate
Tom Phillips + Associates