



The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1

Our Ref. 15055

6 June 2018

RE: STRATEGIC INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT.

TEN-YEAR PERMISSION SOUGHT FOR DEVELOPMENT OF THE RINGSEND WWTP UPGRADE PROJECT AT RINGSEND WWTP, PIGEON HOUSE ROAD, DUBLIN 4 INCLUDING A REGIONAL BIOSOLIDS STORAGE FACILITY AT NEWTOWN, NORTH ROAD (R135), DUBLIN 11

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of the Applicant, Irish Water, Colvill House, 24 – 26 Talbot Street, Dublin 1 we hereby submit a planning application for permission under Section 37A of the Planning and Development Act, as inserted by the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006 and amended by the Planning and Development (Amendment Act 2010 and the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011, for a 10-year Planning Permission for the proposed development summarised above.

A detailed description of the Proposed Development is set out in the enclosed Public Notices and a complete description is set out in the documentation accompanying the application including the Planning Application Report, Engineering Drawings, the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Natura Impact Statement. A list of the application enclosures is set out below. All of this information will also be available to view at the following dedicated website: www.ringsendwwtpupgrade.ie.

The Proposed Development has been formulated through an iterative process, having regard to extensive consultation with relevant parties and informed by best practice guidelines, environmental and planning considerations.

A 10 year planning permission is sought for development comprising revisions and alterations to the existing and permitted development at Ringsend Wastewater Treatment Plant, Pigeon House Road, Dublin 4 and for a new Regional Biosolids Storage Facility at Newtown, North Road (R135), Dublin 11, being two components of an integrated wastewater treatment project. The length of permission sought is considered appropriate in the context of proposed nature of works and particular constraints associated with the construction phase of the development.

We commend this application to the Board, and Irish Water looks forward to receiving a favourable and timely permission from the Board.

The appropriate fee of €100,000 has been lodged with An Bord Pleanála by way of electronic fund transfer, as agreed with the Board. We enclosed a fee remittance sheet as evidence of same.

Due to the location and the required preparation time for installing the site notices at both the Ringsend WwTP, Pigeon House Road, Dublin 4 and the site at Newtown, North Road, Dublin 11 some notices will be erected prior to the lodgement date of the application. In this context, and in the interest of completeness, all site notices erected for this planning application are dated the 6 June 2018 – the date in which this application is lodged with An Bord Pleanála.

We would ask that all further case correspondence would be directed to this office.

Yours faithfully,

Stephen Little,

STEPHEN LITTLE & ASSOCIATES

ENCL./

3 no. hard copies and 7 no. electronic copies of the following items are included with this application to An Bord Pleanála.

1. SID Application Cover letter.
2. SID Application Form, signed and dated.
3. 100,000 euro SID application fee has been paid by electronic transfer, a copy of the remittance sheet is enclosed with this application.
4. Newspaper Notice, as published in Irish Independent on the 6th June 2018 and the Herald on the 6th June 2018.
5. Site Notice, as erected, on a white background, at 6 no. locations on the 6th June 2018 at Ringsend Wastewater Treatment Facility and 2 no. locations on the 6th June 2018 at the Regional Biosolids Storage Facility site.
6. Letter of Consent from Landowners
 - 1no. from Dublin Port Company
 - 1no. from Dublin Waste to Energy Ltd
 - 4no. from Dublin City Council
 - 1no. from Fingal County Council
7. A Schedule of Prescribed Bodies provided by An Bord Pleanála
8. Copy of Letter to Prescribed Bodies, sent to:
 - The Minister for Housing, Planning, Community and Local Government
 - The Minister for Communications, Climate action and the Environment
 - The Minister for Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs (Development Applications Unit)
 - Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport
 - Environmental Protection Agency
 - Dublin City Council
 - Fingal County Council
 - South Dublin County Council
 - Dún Laoghaire-Rathdown County Council
 - Kildare County Council
 - Meath County Council
 - Wicklow County Council
 - National Transport Authority
 - The Eastern and Midlands Regional Assembly
 - An Chomhairle Ealaíon
 - Fáilte Ireland
 - The Heritage Council
 - Waterways Ireland
 - The Health and Safety Authority
 - The Health Service Executive
 - An Taisce – the National Trust for Ireland
 - Inland Fisheries Ireland

- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
 - Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
9. SID Planning Application Report, prepare by Stephen Little & Associates
 10. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report, comprising:
 - EIAR Volume 1, (Non-Technical Summary)
 - EIAR Volume 2, (Written Statement & Appendices),
 - EIAR Volume 3, (Written Statement & Appendices - Ringsend WwTP),
 - EIAR Volume 4, (Written Statement & Appendices - RBSF),
 - EIAR Volume 5 (Ringsend WwTP & RBSF A3 sized planning application drawings)
 11. Appropriate Assessment Screening and Natura Impact Statement, prepared by Natura, Environmental Consultants.
 12. Planning Application Drawings, (See Enclosed Schedule of Drawings), prepared by a consortium of J. B. Barry & Partners, T. J. O'Connor & Associates, and Royal HaskoningDHV with input from the following specialists:
 - Brady Shipman Martin Landscape Consultants.
 - Paul O'Toole Architects
 13. Engineers Design Report – RBSF, prepared by a consortium of J. B. Barry & Partners, T. J. O'Connor & Associates, and Royal HaskoningDHV.
 14. Architectural Design Statement – RBSF, prepared by Paul O'Toole Architects.
 15. Greater Dublin Drainage Strategy: Overview & Future Strategic Needs, prepared by Irish Water.
 16. Flood Risk Assessment for Ringsend WwTP, prepared by J. B. Barry & Partners.
 17. Flood Risk Assessment for RBSF, prepared by J. B. Barry & Partners.

Further requisite number of hard copies and electronic copies of the application, EIAR and NIS have been furnished to Dublin City Council, Fingal County Council and to the Prescribed Bodies, as instructed by An Bord Pleanála.