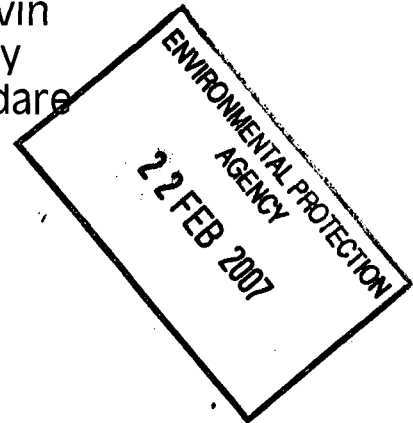


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Donal Grant
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Dear Mr Grant,

I am writing to you to object most strongly to the renewal of the license for Carbury Compost.

The smell emitted by this facility is totally unacceptable. I live over 3 miles from the place, but when the wind blows in my direction, as it frequently does, or if there is little or no breeze, the smell invades everything. We cannot open a single window of our house, even in the middle of summer. Any clothes on the line have to be rewashed as they smell of the stench this place produces.

I cannot understand how any factory is allowed to pollute the air in this fashion, they appear to have absolutely no consideration for either the environment or the people living around the plant.

The smell travels as far as Allenwood, Killina, Carbury, Derrinturn, Ticknevin and over to Drehid, in fact anywhere within a 3 or 4 mile radius.

I'm sure you would hear a lot more objections if people were aware of the fact that this place requires a license, and some locals are trying to inform people of this and raise a petition to object to this factory polluting the air we have to breathe.

Before any decision is made regarding any renewal of their license, these people simply must be made to clean up their act, I am quite certain this stench would not be tolerated any where else in Ireland.

I believe one of the original conditions of their receiving a license was for the compost to be made inside a sealed unit with the air filtered before being released. Apparently they successfully appealed against this condition, once again showing how little they care for the local people. This condition really must be enforced on them before they are allowed to continue, never mind expand their operation.

The fact that Philip Wilson wanted to have application documentation held as confidential clearly shows that this company wants to keep the locals in the dark regarding any decision making.

I hope you can regularly visit the area and experience for yourself how disgusting the smell this place creates is. I am sure if you were to visit some of the people living near the plant you would find how much this place is ruining their quality of life.

A house anywhere near this place is worth a fraction of what it would normally be worth, no-one would be anxious to buy a house near it.

I very much hope you can use your authority to force this company to start having regard for the local people, we have tolerated this place too long, and enough is enough.

Thank you for your time,

John Kelly

