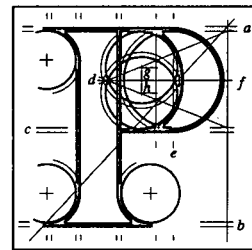


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30th January 2018

Application Re:

Redevelopment of Alexandra Basin and Berths 52 and 53
together with associated works in Dublin Port,
Alexandra Road, Dublin 1.

Dear Madam,

I have been asked by An Bord Pleanála to refer to the above mentioned application and your letter dated the 3rd January 2018 requesting comments in relation to an application for a Waste licence or a review of a licence pursuant to the provisions of section 173A(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as inserted by Article 10 of the European Union (Environmental Impact Assessment) (Waste) Regulations 2012.

In respect of the Environmental Protection Agency's request for observations and having regard to the specific queries raised in your letter, the Board would wish to comment as follows:

- (i) Having carried out an initial inspection of documents on the Agency's website, the Board consider that the activity, subject of the current IE licence review lies within the area covered by the planning permission granted by the Board under PA0034. However, it would appear that the activity which is the subject of the current IE licence review is materially different from that granted permission by the Board with regard to the physical location of the proposed facility.
- (ii) The planning permission granted under Board Reference PA0034 included provisions for the excavation and restoration of Graving Dock No 1 as a heritage feature and the infilling (with treated dredge material) of Graving Dock No. 2 to provide an additional surface area for Port activities. This planning permission also included provisions for a temporary treatment facility at Berths 52/53 which would be used for the treatment by stabilisation / solidification and recovery of contaminated dredge material. With regard to Board Reference PA0034, this decision was made by the Board after carrying out an environmental impact assessment and the receipt of an Inspector's Report on this case, which includes a section on environmental impact assessment and consideration of associated key issues. Section 9.7 of this report deals with dredging and contamination issues.
- (iii) The Agency's attention is brought to the issues set out in the Inspector's Report and assessment and the final decision of the Board, as set out in the Direction and Order, with particular attention to the Reasons and Considerations and Conditions imposed on the grant of planning permission. In particular Condition no. 1(a) states that the proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application as amended by the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 18th day of August 2014, the submissions made at the oral hearing and the further plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 2nd day of April 2015, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions.

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An electronic disc which contains the documentation relating to the file including the EIS is enclosed.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above-mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



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