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ENVIRONMENTAL PROTECTION AGENCY WASTE LICENSING RECEIVED  - 1 MAR 2005  INITIALS... <i>JS</i> ..... 25th February 2004
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Dear Sirs,

I write to express strong opposition to the waste licence application (204-1) by Brownfield Restoration Limited for a waste processing facility at Whitestown, Donard.

The applicant concerned purchased the site in the full knowledge that the site had been used for the illegal dumping of waste and is now seeking to profit from the necessary remediation of the site by operating the facility as a landfill for a period of up to 10 years. To my mind to permit this would be to reward those involved with illegal waste dumping with a valuable asset. It seems to be contrary to the polluter pays principle. The only people who are paying are the citizens of West Wicklow through the siting of a dump in their locality on a totally unsuitable site.

I object on grounds of geological suitability, hygiene, road safety, impact on the adjoining Wicklow Uplands SAC, and more proximate Slaney River SAC.

Yours sincerely

  
James Somerville