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The licensing Office,
Environmental Protection Agency,
P.O. Box 3000,
Johnstown Castle Estate,
Co. Wexford.

Rivendell,
Knightstown,
Lusk,
Co. Dublin.
16th July 2006.



Ref:- Objection to the proposed landfill for Tooman/Nevitt, Lusk,
Co. Dublin.

We are residents of Nevitt, Lusk and we wish to object to the landfill proposed for our locality. My husband and I moved from a hugely built-up area 3 years ago to this our rural haven, to provide a better quality of life for ourselves and our 4 young children. We invested a huge amount of energy, finances and emotion into the realisation of our longterm dream to live in the untouched countryside. Now, alongside our neighbours, we have looked on in disbelief and despair as Fingal County Council have bullied residents out of their homes with CPO's, and are stubbornly pursuing a dump of mega proportions in our beautiful, peaceful Greenbelt.

I will refer to your statement on the internet where you state the promotion of strategic Environmental Assessment to identify and evaluate impacts on the environment thus allowing plan & programme makers, both nationally & locally, to mitigate the effects of such impacts. To date, Fingal County Council have not carried out such Assessment. Our concerns are numbered and relate to the environment and obviously to ourselves living in the area.

I: It has been put to Fingal County Council that significant Aquifers lie in the area of the proposed landfill. The Aquifers supply water to a number of local regions and we are gravely concerned that the potential for contamination of this valuable water source is very likely.

Fingert County Council have completely disregarded such a significant environmental issue.

II - we have an obligation to look after remaining 'Green' areas of our country especially with the constant construction of buildings on every square foot of areas zoned residential. Certain wildlife in our area, their habitats & important ecosystems are at risk of being destroyed with the development of the proposed landfill.

III - Due to the nature of landfill, we are very concerned about health issues relating to probable pollutants affecting the surrounding area in the form of noise, air and pest pollution problems, and the toxicity of the waste itself.

IV - The roads are already overloaded with traffic and the expected increase in the volume of large trucks on the motorway is cause for extreme concern. Also, 'rat-runs' already occur on our small country roads and we are particularly concerned that heavily loaded trucks coming from locations not directly linked to the motorway will try to cut time by invading our local thoroughfares increasing the risk to local residents travelling safely on these roads, and polluting the area with excess noise and emissions.

As a family, we strongly object to the proposed landfill and we ask for a fair evaluation of the situation bearing in mind that the nurturing & protection of unspoilt areas, such as Newitt, Lusk, rests solely in our hands and we need support from yourselves to keep this area safe for our families & children.

We look forward to hearing from you with a favourable response,

Yours sincerely,

Clair Downey, 