

St. Columba's Girl's National School, With Facility For Deaf Children

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To whom it may concern.

I am writing to you on behalf of St. Columba's Girl's School with Facility for Deaf Children, with regard to the licence sought by Cork County Council to build a transfer station on the Kinsale Road landfill site.

We are strongly object to the granting of this Licence The pupils of our school have had to endure the proximity of the city dump for too long. A promise was made to the residents of the area seven years ago, that the Kinsale Road site would be turned into a recreational park when the landfill was full. This was scheduled to happen in July 2009. We feel that it is very important to adhere to this closure date.

During the first few months of this year, our school was infested with flies and this appalling situation is completely unacceptable. Thankfully the problem has now abated however as Summer approaches we are fearful that it could reoccur.

Our school has been involved in the Green School programme since 2002. We are a very big school with 587 students and a large staff. We have worked extremely hard to make environmental awareness an integral part of our school curriculum. Having attained our third Green Flag we are very proud of our endeavours as a school, to reduce the amount of waste that we send to landfill. We look forward to the day when we will be adjacent to a park, which we can avail of instead of a dump. We hope that you will not Grant Cork City Council this licence to build a transfer station.

Yours sincerely Marina

Marina Lawler Co-ordinator of the Green School Committee

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Chairperson of Green Committee

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