

A Community Gain Liaison Committee and a Community Gain Fund were established for the catchment area of Irishtown, Ringsend, and Sandymount, in accordance with Planning Permission, reference 29S.EF2022 and Industrial Emissions Directive Licence, reference W0232-01, granted by An Bord Pleanála and the Environmental Protection Agency respectively, for the Dublin Waste to Energy Project.

The relevant conditions are reproduced below:

Condition No. 2

“A community liaison committee shall be established to liaise between Dublin City Council and the local community. The membership of this committee shall reflect the membership of the community gain administration board proposed by Dublin City Council in its submission at the Oral Hearing. The committee shall comprise 10 members having an independent chairperson, 3 local community representatives, 3 elected members of Dublin City Council, 2 officials of Dublin City Council and 1 representative from the operators of the waste to energy facility. The Community Liaison Committee shall have responsibility for the administration of the community gain fund account to be set up in accordance with condition No.3 of the planning permission and for decisions on projects to be supported by the fund in addition to acting as a liaison committee with the local community in relation to ongoing monitoring of the operation of the facility”.

Condition No. 3

“A Community Gain Fund shall be established to support facilities and services which would be of benefit to the community in the general catchment area. This fund shall include a once-off capital contribution equivalent to 3% of the capital cost of the facility and an annual contribution per tonne of waste accepted for thermal treatment at the plant. The annual contribution shall be €1 per tonne in the first year following commissioning of the plant and thereafter shall be updated in accordance with the consumer price index. Details of the management and operation of the fund which shall be lodged in a special community fund account shall be agreed between DCC and the Community Liaison Committee referred to in Condition No.2 of Planning Permission.”

Licence Condition 2.3.2.8 (c)

“Establish a Community Gain Liaison committee and facilitate regular meetings of that Committee at a frequency to be agreed with the Committee. The Agenda for each meeting shall be prepared in advance.”