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Lahinch Promenade

Lahinch, Co.Clare

Submission of objection to Mul 260006 Marine and intertidal site investigation Surveys at Cregg beach and reef Liscannor bay County Clare

To Whom it concerns

I would like to strongly object to this proposed licence for the survey at Cregg as a business owner in Lahinch I own a surf school established in 2003 and spend most of my working day in the water in Lahinch and as a water user I I frequent the waters around Cregg very regularly I know that this survey will be very intrusive to the

existing reef and local wildlife that live there all year round such as the resident seals as well as many underwater species not to mention the fact that if you change or alter the bottom contours of the reef in any way it will affect all the water users that frequent that small area,

I support investment for a better sewage network, but the proposed primary treatment plant and location of the affluent pipe is completely unsuitable for the Bay.

Lahinch has already lost the Blue Flag due to repeated beach closures and this proposed treatment plant will only make that worse as the prevailing wind is southwesterly blowing directly into the beach at Lahinch which faces south west so that combined with the frequent large SW swells that we get all year round is going to create a disastrous polluted environment at the beach in Lahinch where I run my surf school and have done for the last 23 years So I'm objecting in the strongest possible terms both as a water user at Cregg and as a local business owner at the nearby Lahinch beach

From the perspective of the village in Lahinch which is dependent on tourism it has already suffered greatly because of the bad press that we receive due to poor water quality, and this will only make matters worse resulting in job losses across all sectors

I have heard that Uisce Eireann have suggested that the effluent from the pipe will be taken out to the ocean but as a water user for over 40 years I know for a Fact that they are wrong

yours sincerely

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