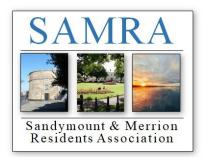
SAMRA Sandymount Dublin



Mr. Barry O'Connell Chief Executive Dublin Port Company

28<sup>th</sup> April 2023

By email

## **Dublin Port Expansion : 3FM Project**

# Sandymount & Merrion Residents Association – position

Dear Mr. O'Connell,

Further to your published plans for the proposed further expansion of Dublin Port Company, SAMRA now writes to you, to advise of our formal position.

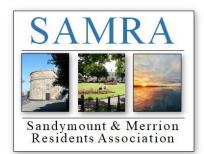
SAMRA is firmly opposed to this but with our primary focus and point of OBJECTION against the proposed Container Storage site which will have a major adverse impact on our area.

We cite the following reasons as the main basis for our objection :

#### • Noise –

- container noise is characterized by low frequency, intermittent and is particularly disruptive to sleep. At this proximity we expect allowable residential levels to be breeched.
- The scale and size of this project expansion make it inevitable that there will be increased noise and this is going to become a major factor to residents over a larger area, across the bay.

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## • Location -

 adjacent to the peninsula Nature reserve, which will forever prevent the opportunity for any further expansion of the Reserve on the edge of the unique protected Dublin Bay UNESCO Marine Biosphere

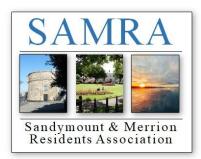
### • Visual –

- at 3 stack high plus the height of the gantry crane giving a dreadful visual impact on the Sandymount area and across the Bay
- Scale -
  - ◦it will cover a site area of 5.9 hectares, nearly 15 acres, larger than the Nature Reserve itself
  - $_{\circ}$  353,000 containers will be moved annually and become the largest container facility in Ireland by a factor of x2

### Transportation

- $_{\circ}$  Increased HGV haulage
- Increased Exhaust pollution
- Heavy Industrial Impact on the south peninsula
- Health and Safety Risk increased by proximity of containers to residential areas of container storage

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SAMRA believes firmly that this element of the Project MUST BE STOPPED because of these impacts.

Yours sincerely,

David Turner, Chairperson

Sandymount and Merrion Residents Association

Cc : SAMRA Committee

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