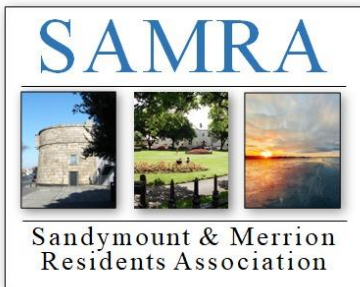


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Mr. Barry O'Connell  
Chief Executive  
Dublin Port Company

12<sup>th</sup> May 2023

*By email*

**Re : Dublin Port 3FM Project**

Dear Barry,

Thank you to you and your colleagues for meeting with Niall, Karl and I on Thursday, 4th May as representatives of SAMRA.

We believe the meeting was worthwhile and look forward to the follow up in relation to installing illustrative containers on area O and the data in relation to the progress that has been made since the 2014 Franchise Report in relation to reducing the identified under-utilised 40 hectares of land on the campus.

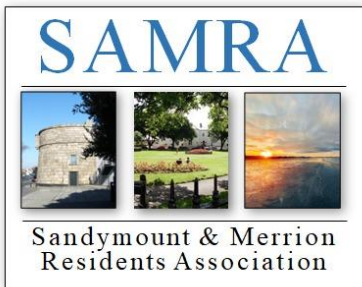
We had a frank and constructive exchange of views around SAMRA's points of concern regarding the container storage site, emphasising that SAMRA and the residents it represents, is totally opposed to the exclusive use of Area O for container storage.

Separately, we brought to your attention and you undertook to review the recent piece of work that has been completed over the last 3 years by Queens University, on behalf of Ireland's EPA and the Marine Institute : SHIP Discussion Papers "Sustainable and Holistic Management of Irish Ports"

If we are correct in our understanding, you declared that there is no other viable option on any part of the Port facility to site container storage other than site "O". I would be grateful if you would confirm that to be the case.

Towards the end of the meeting, you highlighted the community benefits from the 3FM project and the 100 million euro you would be investing in the walkway and the marina, etc. You made the point that if the project did not go ahead, it would not be possible to generate

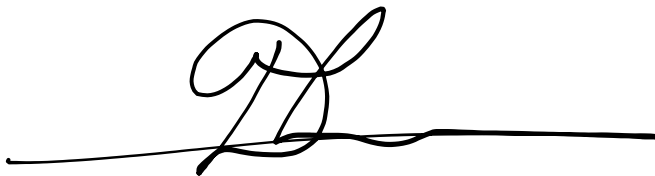
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the necessary commercial activity to fund these benefits and that these benefits could not be delivered.

We would sincerely hope that as the project is debated over the coming months that the argument that SAMRA's objection to your plans for Area O could deny the community these gains is avoided. It would be unhelpful if this line of argument entered the debate. I am sure that it will not be the case but we felt it was worth clarifying with you to avoid any misunderstanding.

Yours



**David Turner, Chairperson**

**Sandymount and Merrion Residents Association**

Cc : SAMRA Committee