

*Coiste Glan agus Glas An Fhál Carraigh,  
Falcarragh Tidy Towns Committee  
An Fál Carrach, Co Dhún na nGall*

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Mr. Michael Creed T.D.  
Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine  
Agriculture House  
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**A Aire, a Chara,**

*Táimid ag déanamh teangbháil leat maidir le na h-iarratais le haghaidh céadúnais do bharshaothraithe atá beartaithe do bháigh Bhaile an Easa.*

**On behalf of Coiste Glan agus Glas, Falcarragh Tidy Towns Committee, and Cóstá Glan agus Glas, our Clean Coast Committee we wish to highlight our concerns about the proposed aquaculture development for Ballyness Bay, Falcarragh.**

*Is seod luachmhar dúinne áilleacht an cheantair ina bhfuil muid inár gcónaí agus is cúis bróid dúinn go bhfuil muid in ann í a roinnt le cuairteoí a thagann na háite. Táimid sáite sa dúltra le éanlaigh agus creatúir mara sa Cheantar Speisialta Chaomhnaithe seo.*

**Both of our groups treasure our natural landscape and feel privileged to be in a position to share and enjoy the unspoilt natural beauty of our pristine beaches and coastline with the many visitors to this area, We are surrounded by nature and delight in being able to enjoy the seabirds and sea creatures that thrive in this Special area of Conservation. It is clear the ecological damage caused by the proposed aquaculture development is contrary to the purpose of an SAC. This is an abuse of the EU designation of Ballyness Bay as a Special Area of Conservation.**

*Is ceantar faoi mí-bhuntaiste í an ceantar seo agus muid ag brath go mór ar thurasóireacht, is í áilleacht na háite a thugann daoine chun an cheantair*

**This is an underprivileged area economically where we depend to a large degree on tourism and on our natural beauty to attract visitors to the area. As a community we are outraged that anyone should presume to threaten what is precious and delicate to us without any consultation or indeed any regard for us, something that will have negative implications on our local area both socially and economically, as well as aesthetically.**

*Measaimid gurb iad caitheamh aimsire faoin aer, mar shampla siúl, éanbhreathnú, spóirt uisce agus a leithéid an bealach chun tosaigh agus muid bheith in ann sult agus pleisiúr a bhaint as ár nadúr inár dtimpeallacht.*

**Walking, birdwatching, water sports, angling and enjoyment of nature is, we believe, the way forward. We respect and work in harmony with our environment and this proposal, we believe, will do great damage to that valuable asset of ours, Ballyness Bay.**

**Le dea-ghuí**

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**Máire Uí Bhaoill  
(Cathaoirleach)**