



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction
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The submissions on this file and the Inspector's report were considered at a Board meeting held on 11/09/2019.

The Board determined by a majority of 2:1 that the alternative turbine types are within the terms and conditions of permission PL02.247401 for the following reasons and considerations.

Reasons and Considerations

WHEREAS by order dated the 3rd day of August 2017 An Bord Pleanála, under appeal reference number PL02.247401, granted subject to conditions a permission to Taghart Energy Limited care of Galetch Energy Services of Clondargan, Stradone, Co. Cavan for development comprising the erection of seven number wind turbines with a maximum height of 125m and all associated site development works including a 38kV substation and compound; a staff welfare facility, wastewater treatment system and percolation area; turbine foundations; crane hardstandings; access tracks; underground cabling; three number site entrances; a permanent meteorological mast with a maximum height of up to 83 metres and temporary upgrade to the R162/L3520 junction, on lands at Taghart South, Taghart North, Glasleck and Ralaghan, Shercock, County Cavan.

AND WHEREAS condition 6(a) attached to the said permission required the developer to submit all details of the proposed turbines, including design, height and colour for the written agreement of the Planning Authority prior to the commencement of development:

AND WHEREAS the developer and the Planning Authority failed to agree on the above details in compliance with the terms of the said condition and the matter was referred by the developer to An Bord Pleanála on the 2nd day of April 2019 for determination:

NOW THEREFORE An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 34(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, hereby determines that the Board agrees that the alternative turbine types, comprising a hub height of 68m and a rotor diameter of 114m (blade length of 57m) or hub height of 69m and a rotor diameter of 112m (blade length of 56m) giving rise to an 11% increase in rotor diameter, are not materially different in planning terms, and are therefore within the terms and conditions of the permission and are agreed under condition 6(a).

Board Member

Date: 11/09/2019

Maria FitzGerald