

Board Direction BD-007233-21 ABP-307690-20

At a meeting held on 11/01/2021, the Board considered the report of the Planning Inspector, as well as the documents and submissions on file, in relation to the proposed amendment of the tip height of up to 22 wind turbines at Upperchurch Windfarm, County Tipperary, from 126.6m to 155m (with a consequent increase in the maximum total generating capacity from 44MW to 88MW).

The Board determined, in accordance with the inspector's reasoning and recommendation, that the proposed development falls within the definition of energy infrastructure in the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, thereby satisfying the requirements set out in Section 37(A)(1) of the Act. The proposed development is also considered to be of strategic importance by reference to the requirements of Section 37A(2)(a) and (b) of the Act. An application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under Section 37E of the Act.

Board Member:		Date:	11/01/2021
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