

An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction
BD-010718-22
ABP-312710-22

At a meeting held on 17/05/2022, the Board considered the report of the Inspector, and the documents and submissions on file generally.

REQUEST received by An Bord Pleanála on the 11th day of February 2022, from Drumlins Park Wind Farm Limited, c/o Jennings O'Donovan & Partners Limited, Finisklin Business Park, County Sligo under section 146B of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, to alter the terms of a strategic infrastructure development, comprising a 110kV loop in-loop out substation with underground transmission cables and associated works in Drumanan and Cornawall, Newbliss, County Monaghan, the subject of an approval under An Bord Pleanála reference number ABP-309119-21.

WHEREAS the Board made a decision to approve, subject to conditions, the abovementioned development by Order dated the 4th day of November 2021,

AND WHEREAS the Board has received a request to alter the terms of the development, the subject of the approval,

AND WHEREAS the proposed alteration is described as follows:

- Alter the terms of condition number 3(a) and number 3(c),

AND WHEREAS, having regard to the limited extent of the changes proposed, the Board decided, in accordance with section 146B(2)(b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, not to invite submissions or observations in relation to the matter from other persons,

AND WHEREAS the Board decided, in accordance with section 146B(2)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that the proposed alteration would not result in a material alteration to the terms of the development, the subject of the approval,

AND WHEREAS, having considered all the documents on file and the Inspector's report, the Board considered that the making of the proposed alteration would not be likely to have significant effects on the environment or on any European Site,

NOW THEREFORE, in accordance with section 146B(3)(a) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Board hereby alters the abovementioned decision so that the approved development shall be altered in accordance with the plans and particulars received by An Bord Pleanála on the 11th day of February 2022, for the reasons and considerations set out below.

Reasons and Considerations

Having regard to the terms of the development approved under section 182B of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, under An Bord Pleanála reference number ABP- 309119-21 on the 4th day of November 2021 and to the nature and limited scale of the changes now proposed, it is considered that the proposed alterations, either individually or in combination with other plans or projects, would not be likely to have any significant effect on the environment, or on any European Site having regard to their conservation objectives, or on the proper planning and sustainable development of the area that had not been considered prior to the granting of the said approval for the development. The proposed alterations, therefore, would not constitute a material alteration of the terms of the development concerned.

Conditions

Condition number 3 shall be amended as follows:

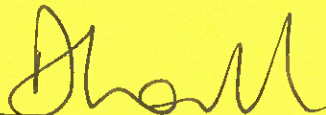
1. Amend Condition number 3(a):

No artificial lighting shall be installed or operated on site, except for manually operated night-time lighting in the event of an emergency, unless otherwise authorised by a prior grant of permission.

2. Retain Condition number 3(c).

Reason: In the interest of clarity, of visual and residential amenity, to allow wildlife to continue to have access to and through the site, and to minimise impacts on drainage patterns and surface water quality.

Board Member:



Dave Walsh

Date: 17/05/2022

