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Pleanála

**Board Direction**  
**BD-011105-22**  
**ABP-313440-22**

At a meeting held on 12/08/2022, the Board considered the report of the Inspector, and the documents and submissions on file generally, in relation to the proposed development of 14 no. wind turbines and a 110kV grid connection and associated infrastructure in the townlands of Gortyrhilly, Cahernacaha, Derree, Derryfineen and Gortnabinna, Ballyvourney and Ballingeary, County Cork.

The Board decided that, having regard to the size, scale and location of the proposed windfarm and related development, and to the policy context, the proposed development constitutes development that 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 37A(1) of the Act. The proposed development is also considered to be of strategic importance by reference to the requirements of Sections 37A(2)(a) and (b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. An application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

**Board Member:**

Dave Walsh

**Date:** 12/08/2022