

An
Coimisiún
Pleanála

Direction
CD-020701-25
ABP-316466-23

The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Commission Meeting held on 16/09/2025.

The prospective applicant should be notified, pursuant to Section 37(B)(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, that the Board is of the opinion that the proposed development constitutes a strategic infrastructure development within the meaning of Section 37A of the Act for the reasons and considerations set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the size, scale and location of the proposed windfarm development and related development, and to the policy context, it is considered that the proposed development comprising the development of 9 no wind turbines with an estimated generating capacity of between 54 and 64.8 MW. on a site in the townlands of Cloondahamper (Blake), Cloonascragh, Elmhill, Cooloo, Lecarrow, Dangan Eighter, Gorteenlahard, Lissavally and Slievegorm in Co. Galway 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 Section 37A(2)(a) and 37A(2)(b) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

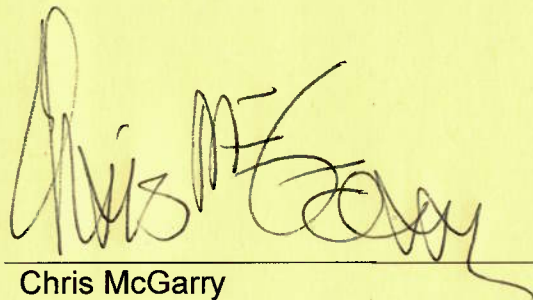
An application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Coimisiun Pleanála under Section 37E of the Act.

Appendix – Prescribed bodies

- Minister of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister of Climate, Energy and the Environment
- Galway County Council
- Roscommon County Council
- The Northern and Western Regional Assembly
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon (Arts Council)
- The Heritage Council
- Fáilte Ireland
- An Taisce
- Uisce Éireann
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports and Media
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- HSE
- The Commission for Regulation of Utilities
- Office of Public Works

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

**Planning
Commissioner:**


Chris McGarry

Date: 16/09/2025