



An
Bord
Pleanála

Board Direction
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ABP-318203-23

The submissions on file and the inspector's report were considered at a Board Meeting held on 26/11/2024.

The Board decided that having regard to the size, scale and location of the proposed wind farm and related development, and to the policy context, it is considered that 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.

The applicant shall be informed that the application documentation should be forwarded to the following prescribed bodies:

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage (Development Applications Unit).
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.
- Offaly County Council
- Meath County Council
- Kildare County Council
- Eastern & Midland Regional Assembly
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland

- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Waterways Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Córas Iompair Éireann
- The Heritage Council
- An Taisce – the National Trust for Ireland
- Health Service Executive
- The Commission for Energy Regulation
- Uisce Éireann

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

Board Member



Peter Mullan

Date: 27/11/2024