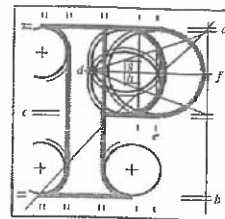


**Our Case Number:** ABP-315128-22

**Your Reference:** Elgin Energy Services Ltd



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**Date:** 23 May 2023

**Re:** Proposed development of 110kV electrical substation and grid connection at Trascaun & Clondoolusk, Portarlinton, County Offaly and the provision of passing bays in the public road within the townlands of Clondoolusk, Trascaun, Bishopswood, Tinacrannagh and Droughill. Trascaun & Clondoolusk, Portarlinton, Co. Offaly and within the townlands of Clondoolusk, Trascaun, Bishopswood, Tinacrannagh and Droughill, Co. Offaly and Co. Laois.

Dear Madam,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 182E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board hereby serves notice that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 182A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Any application for approval for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 182A(1) of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

In accordance with the fees payable to the Board and where not more than one pre-application meeting is held in the determination of a case, a refund of €3,500 is payable to the person who submitted the pre-application consultation fee. As only one meeting was required in this case, a refund of €3,500 will be sent to you in due course.

The attachment contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

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Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

*Sarah Caulfield*

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The following is a schedule of prescribed bodies considered relevant for the purposes of Section 182A (4) (b) of the Act.

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (Development Applications Unit)
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Offaly County Council
- Irish Water
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- Environmental Protection Agency
- The Heritage Council
- An Taisce
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Health & Safety Authority
- Office of Public Works
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities.

Further notifications should also be made where deemed appropriate.

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