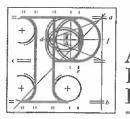
Our Case Number: ABP-315383-22



An Bord Pleanála

Aidan Collins Lightsource Renewable Energy Ireland Ltd Regus Business Centre Forsyth House Cromac Street Cromac Square Belfast BT2 8LA Northern Ireland

Date: 23 May 2023

Re: Proposed development of 110kV substation, cable and 2 cable end masts

in the townlands of Castlegarden and Cloghscregg Co. Kilkenny

Dear Sir / 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 preapplication 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.

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

Yours faithfully,

Sarah Caulfield Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737287

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List of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application

- Minister for the Environment, Heritage and Local Government
- Minister for Communications, Marine and Natural Resources
- Kilkenny County Council
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities, Water and Energy
- Irish Water
- The Heritage Council
- An Taisce
- An Chomhairle Ealaion
- Failte Ireland
- Inland Fisheries Ireland

Further notifications should be made where deemed appropriate.

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