

An Bord Pleanála



PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2015

Tipperary County

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APPEAL by Tanya and James Embleton and others care of Grouse Hall, Milestone, Thurles, County Tipperary against the decision made on the 22nd day of February, 2016 by Tipperary County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Green Energy Wind Limited care of Barnes Murray De Bháill of The Old Forge, Innishannon, County Cork.

PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT: Erection of one number 500 kw wind turbine (hub height 50.00 metres/blade tip height 73.50 metres), and the construction of a 14.00 square metres control building/electrical sub-station, site entrance, site access track and hardstanding, and all ancillary works at Cronavone, Borrisoleigh, County Tipperary.

DECISION

REFUSE permission for the above proposed development based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

MATTERS CONSIDERED

In making its decision, the Board had regard to those matters to which, by virtue of the Planning and Development Acts and Regulations made thereunder, it was required to have regard. Such matters included any submissions and observations received by it in accordance with statutory provisions.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

1. Having regard to the nature of the receiving environment and proximity to a number of dwellings in the immediate vicinity it is considered that the level of information provided within the application is insufficient to enable a thorough assessment of the environmental impacts arising from the proposed development with particular reference to noise, shadow flicker and visual intrusion, ecological impacts and impacts on traffic and roads and to provide for appropriate mitigation measures accordingly. The proposed wind energy development would, therefore, be contrary to the provisions of the "Wind Energy Guidelines for Planning Authorities" issued by the Department of Environment, Heritage and Local Government in June, 2006 and would be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.
2. It is considered that the level of information lodged with the application is inadequate in relation to baseline ecological conditions at the subject site and on this basis, it is considered that an appropriate assessment screening cannot be undertaken. The proposed development would, therefore, be contrary to the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

**Member of An Bord Pleanála
duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2016.