# An Bord Pleanála



## PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 TO 2016

## **Tipperary County**

## Planning Register Reference Number: 16/600565

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**APPEAL** by Lightsource Renewable Energy Ireland Limited of 7<sup>th</sup> Floor, 33 Holborn, London in relation to the application by Tipperary County Council of the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme made for the area in respect of condition number 17 of its decision made on the 21<sup>st</sup> day of October, 2016.

**PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:** A 10 year permission for the construction, operation and decommissioning of a solar photovoltaic panel array to export electricity to the national grid. The proposed works will include a 19.10 MWp solar farm comprising photovoltaic panels on ground mounted frames, 10 number inverter stations, one number single storey substation, five number field transformers, one number single storey communications building, one number single storey storage shed, one number battery container, one number transformer container, one number WC, fencing, temporary construction compound, access track, CCTV and all associated ancillary development works at Monaraha, Cahir, County Tipperary.

#### DECISION

The Board, in accordance with section 48 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, considered, based on the reasons and considerations set out below, that the terms of the Development Contribution Scheme for the area had been properly applied in respect of condition number 17 and directs the said Council to ATTACH the said condition number 17 and the reason therefor.

#### REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

Having regard to the nature of the subject application, which comprises the provision of solar photovoltaic panel array to export electricity to the national grid, the Board considered that the terms of the Tipperary County Council Development Contributions Scheme 2015-2019 were correctly applied by the planning authority in basing the determination of the rate on the basis of Class 21 "The provision of a wind farm development", this being the closest in nature to the proposed development.

#### 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.

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

Dated this day of 2

2017.