



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2018

Planning Authority: Mayo County Council.

Planning Register Reference Number: P18/102.

WHEREAS a question has arisen as to whether the connection by electric cables from an on-site substation at a permitted windfarm at Bunnyconnellan East to a substation at Glenree, Bunnyconnellan East, Bunnyconnellan, County Mayo is or is not development or is or is not exempted development:

AND WHEREAS SC SYM Fotovoltaic Energy SRL care of Harley Planning Consultants Limited of 1 Melmount Park, Strabane, County Tyrone requested a declaration on the question from Mayo County Council and no declaration issued by the planning authority:

AND WHEREAS SC SYM Fotovoltaic Energy SRL referred the question for decision to An Bord Pleanála on the 21st day of March, 2018:

AND WHEREAS An Bord Pleanála, having considered the nature of the question, is satisfied that the referral should not be further considered by it:

NOW THEREFORE An Bord Pleanála, in exercise of the powers conferred on it by section 138 (1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended, hereby dismisses the referral under subsection (1)(b)(i) of section 138 of the Act, based on the reasons and considerations set out below.

REASONS AND CONSIDERATIONS

The Board has decided to dismiss this referral having regard to the nature of the referral. It is considered that the question put by the referrer does not relate to a particular case, as is required under section 5(1) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. It is made clear in the documentation submitted to the Board that it refers to a connection by electric cables (which could be overhead or underground) and not over any specific route. In the circumstances, it is, therefore, considered that the referral should not be further considered by the Board.

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.

Maria FitzGerald

Member of An Bord Pleanála

**duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Board.**

Dated this day of 2019.