

Board Order ABP-303569-19

Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Waterford City and County Council

Application for Leave To Apply For Substitute Consent, by

Barranafaddock Sustainable Electricity Limited (BSEL) care of Fehily Timoney and Company of Core House, Pouladuff Road, Cork.

Development: Provision of revised turbine design from the permitted design for nine number as-constructed wind turbines at Barranafaddock Wind Farm, County Waterford, with hub height of 73.5 metres and rotor diameter of 103 metres. The nine turbines comprise turbines T8, T9, T10, T11, T15, T18, T20, T21 and T32 of the 2011 permission.

Decision

REFUSE leave to apply for substitute consent under section 177D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, 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

Having regard to section 177D(1) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and to the nature of the development concerned, as identified by the applicant in section 3.1 of the application, the Board was not satisfied that an environmental impact assessment, a determination as to whether an environmental impact assessment is required, or an appropriate assessment, was or is required in respect of the development concerned, in and of itself, as opposed to the as-constructed wind farm itself.

In deciding not to accept the Inspector's recommendation to grant leave to apply for substitute consent, the Board had regard to the nature of the development concerned, as opposed to the as-constructed wind farm itself.

John Connolly Member of An Bord Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate

the seal of the Board.

Dated this day of 2019.

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