



Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2019

Planning Authority: Cavan County Council

Planning Register Reference Number: 19/36

Appeal by Taghart Wind Information Group care of Carmel O'Callaghan of Nolagh, Shercock, County Cavan against the decision made on the 1st day of April, 2019 by Cavan County Council to grant subject to conditions a permission to Taghart Energy Limited care of Galetch Energy Services Limited of Clondargan, Stradone, County Cavan in accordance with plans and particulars lodged with the said Council:

Proposed Development: Technical amendments to the 38kV substation and associated compound permitted under Cavan County Council Planning Register Reference 16/74 (An Bord Pleanála Reference PL 02.247401) to include (i) the re-siting of the permitted 38kV substation building approximately eight metres to the south of its permitted location; (ii) an increase in size of the permitted compound area; (iii) an increase in height of the permitted compound palisade fence to up to 2.95 metres; (iv) approximately 75 metres of underground electricity cable to facilitate tie-in of the proposed revised substation location to the underground electricity cable proposed under Cavan County Council Planning Register Reference 17/502 (An Bord Pleanála Reference ABP-301717-18); and all associated site development works, all at Taghart South, Shercock, County Cavan.

Decision

GRANT permission for the above proposed development in accordance with the said plans and particulars based on the reasons and considerations under and subject to the conditions 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 the extant permission granted in respect of the appeal site under An Bord Pleanála reference number PL02. 247401 and the minor nature of the technical amendments proposed to the substation and compound, it is considered that the proposed development, subject to compliance with the conditions set out below, would not seriously injure the visual amenity of the area, its landscape character or the natural heritage of the area and would not give rise to significant cumulative environmental effects or be prejudicial to public health. The proposed development would, therefore, be in accordance with the proper planning and sustainable development of the area.

Conditions

1. The development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the plans and particulars lodged with the application, except as may otherwise be required in order to comply with the following conditions. Where such conditions require details to be agreed with the planning authority, the developer shall agree such details in writing with the planning authority prior to commencement of development and the development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the agreed particulars.

Reason: In the interest of clarity.

2. Apart from the development hereby permitted, the proposed development shall be carried out and completed in accordance with the conditions, as set out in the permission for the overall windfarm (granted under An Bord Pleanála appeal reference number PL02.247401).

Reason: In the interest of proper planning and sustainable development.

3. Prior to the commencement of development, a revised landscape plan for the substation compound shall be submitted to, and agreed in writing with, the planning authority.

Reason: In the interest of visual amenity.

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

Dated this day of 2019.