

An  
Bord  
Pleanála

## Record of Meeting ABP-315469-23 2<sup>nd</sup> Meeting

<b>Case Reference / Description</b>	ABP-315469-23 - Renewable energy development including 8-9 no. wind turbines and associated infrastructure, located at Laurclavagh and adjacent townlands, Co. Galway.		
<b>Case Type</b>	Pre-application Consultation		
<b>1st / 2nd / 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting</b>	2 <sup>nd</sup>		
<b>Date</b>	22/09/2023	<b>Start Time</b>	11:00am
<b>Location</b>	Virtually by Microsoft Teams	<b>End Time</b>	11:15am

<b>Representing An Bord Pleanála</b>
Paul Caprani – Assistant Director of Planning (Chair)
Sarah Lynch – Senior Planning Inspector
Evan McGuigan – Executive Officer

<b>Representing the Prospective Applicant</b>
Ronan Dunne – MKO
Alan Clancy – MKO
Niamh McHugh – MKO
Órla Murphy – MKO
Niall Galvin – Enerco Energy Ltd
William O'Connor – Enerco Energy Ltd

**Introduction:**

The meeting commenced at 11:00am.

The Board's representatives began the meeting by asking the prospective applicant to clarify the purpose of the meeting as the presentation provided in advance of the meeting related to the Grid Connection associated with the proposed wind turbine development. It was outlined to the applicant that the instant meeting was intended to discuss the ongoing pre application discussions commenced under Section 37B relating to the wind turbines.

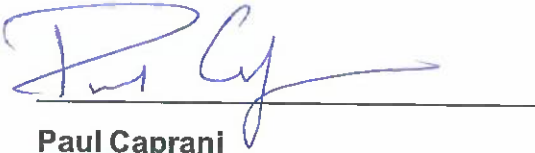
It was also stated by the Board's representative that the Board had received a pre application discussion request under Section 182E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended in relation to a proposed Grid Connection associated with the Wind Turbine development. The Board's representative informed the prospective applicant that a separate meeting is to be held in relation to this S182E pre application request and as such the discussion of the Grid Connection within a Section 37B pre application meeting was not appropriate. The prospective applicant confirmed that the intention of the meeting was to discuss the Grid Connection. It was agreed that there had been a misunderstanding in relation to the purpose of the meeting and any discussion regarding the Grid Connection would not commence. It was also agreed that the Board would send notification to the prospective applicant in relation to the proposed time and date for the pre application meeting requested under Section 182E of the Act, file reference 317625-23.

Both parties agreed to terminate the meeting at this juncture, however prior to the closure of the meeting the prospective applicant, in response to a query from the Board's representative in relation to the proposed wind turbine development, stated that it had yet to hold consultations with Galway County Council regarding the proposed development and that the layout outlined in the first consultation meeting remained the same. The prospective applicant also stated that it believes a further meeting with the Board regarding the proposed wind turbine development would not be required and that it would seek to close the Section 37B pre-application consultation process shortly.

**Conclusion:**

The record of the meeting will issue in due course and the prospective applicant can submit any comments it may have in writing or alternatively bring any comments for discussion at the time of any further meeting. The onus is on the prospective applicant to either request a further meeting or formal closure of the pre-application consultation process.

The meeting concluded at 11:15am.



**Paul Caprani**

**Assistant Director of Planning**

