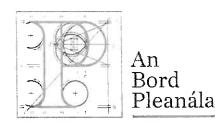
Our Case Number: ABP-312606-22



Office of Public Works
South West Region Capital Projects
The Marina Building
Centre Park Road
Cork
Co. Cork
T12 W027

Date: 15 March 2024

Re: Windfarm development of 20 no. turbines with 110kV electrical substation and all related site works and ancillary development.

Townlands of Annagannihy, Aughinida, Ballynagree East, Ballynagree West, Bawnmore, Caherbaroul, Carrigagulla, Carrigduff, Clonavrick, Derryroe, Drishane More, Dromagh, Drominahilla, Dromskehy and other townlands, Co. Cork.

Dear Sir / Madam.

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

The Board will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime please contact the undersigned officer of the Board. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Ashling Doherty Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737160

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Ellen Moss

From: Ezra MacManamon <ezra.macmanamon@opw.ie>

Sent: Tuesday 12 March 2024 16:06

To: SIDS

Subject: Your Case Number ABP-312606-22 Windfarm Development of 20 Turbines with

110kV substation at Ballynagree and other townlands, County Cork.

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OPW Reference: 37-2022

Dear Sir or Madam,

I refer to your letter to the Office of Public Works, Mungret Co. Limerick dated 21st February 2024, in connection with the above development.

Further to our submission to yourselves in connection with this proposed development, representatives of this office attended an on line meeting with representatives of Fehily Timoney, to discuss their response to our comments in December 2023. While the flow estimation for the FRA was discussed, discussion focused on the flow estimation in support of a large bridge structure prosed as part of the development. It was also emphasised in this discussion that a range of methods should be used for flow estimation, especially for the purposes of supporting an application for consent under Section 50 of the Arterial Drainage Act of 1945, as amended. It was also clarified that the flow estimations used for Flood Risk Assessment and Section 50 purposes did not need to be to the same confidence level.

We note that Fehily Timoney make a number of statements in Section 3.3 of their Further Information Response Report, provided with your letter, that the various comments that we have made are addressed.

With regard to matters which are relevant to applications for consent under Section 50 of the Arterial Drainage Act of 1945 as amended, these will be considered by the Commissioners when applications are made by the applicant for such consent.

Matters relating to the FRA and the Site Specific Flood Risk Assessment which now appears to have been carried out are for the Board to assess as the Planning Authority.

Similarly, the Board should be satisfied that the other matters on which we have commented are addressed to the satisfaction of the Board.

Finally, I would make the point again that any crossings of watercourses proposed as part of the development need the prior consent of the Commissioners of Public Works, under Section 50 of the Arterial Drainage Act of 1945 as amended. This applies to new structures as well as modifications of existing structures, and it applies to structures on the development site, as well as any structure that may need to be modified on the turbine delivery route. This is independent of the planning process and a grant of planning permission does not obviate this requirement. We would be grateful if you would draw the applicant attention to this matter.

If you require any further information in relation to this development please contact the undersigned.

Yours faithfully,

Ezra Mac Manamon

Ezra MacManamon Chartered Engineer

Flood Risk Management - South West Region Capital Projects

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