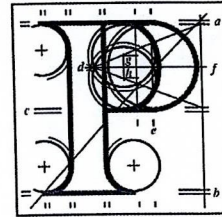


Our Case Number: ABP-312606-22



An  
Bord  
Pleanála

John O'Sullivan  
Horsemount  
Ballinagree  
Macroon  
Co. Cork

**Date:** 8th April 2022

**Re:** Wind farm development of 20 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,

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.

A receipt for the fee lodged is enclosed.

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 Cork County Council 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](http://www.pleanala.ie).

If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

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Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



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March 23<sup>rd</sup> 2022

An Bord Pleanála Ref 312606

Ballinagree Wind Farm

A Chára

I am a private individual who is strongly opposed to this development, it will have an adverse effect on our quality of life in our existing area and overall Community. Musher Mountain and Ballinagree and the surrounding areas which are very scenic and popular with walkers, Bird watchers biking enthusiasts

Community Consultation

There has been a total lack of Community Consultation, we were 1<sup>st</sup> made aware of the Wind Farm plans in 2019 yet the developer had silently been working since 2017 ~~signing~~ signing up land-owners without the wider Community

being made aware of any such plans.

When the residents decided to organise a meeting to discuss the developers intervened and got the meeting cancelled due to the location of the meeting, how is this Community involvement, They have also avoided meeting people when delivering their news letters avoiding face to face contact by either as dropping the news letters and leaving as fast as they can as seen by myself, they have also gotten another body to deliver other letter just as not to engage with people.

The information in the maps in these news letters are not constant, changing with every 1, study area enlarging and wind test masts in different places

## Shadow Flicker

No Shadow Flicker study has been undertaken that conforms to the best practice

It also has the effect of a light being turned on and off

## Flora and Fauna

There is an abundance of wildlife in the area that will be directly affected by this development

Many of which are on the Red list

Red grouse, woodcock, barn owl meadow pipit grey wagtail, red wing golden plover, snipe and kestrel

### Amber list

Marsh harrier, hen harrier, skylark, chough and many more, there is also flight paths of migrating birds such as wild geese these have be observed in this area which is local knowledge which the surveys may have missed

There is also Devils bit Scabious plant that the caterpillar of the endangered Marsh Frattillery butterfly only feeds on

### Water Well Source

It was pointed out to the developer that our water source which is a spring well is a shallow water vein running below the surface close to ~~Turbine~~ Turbine 6, we also have an outside well which we use to water cattle on the land, yet after making this aware to them there has been no contact from the developer as in a survey or water testing or any contact, if this development interferes with our water supply who is to be held responsible as it is a EU Right to water

We also have had experience of a sub-contractor from the surveyor illegally entering our property for water samples, when approached he said he

was from the E.P.A, this found to be untrue with a phone call to the E.P.A who said they had no one from them doing water testing in the area it was also put to him that he was working on the proposed wind farm, he denied this also until it was put to him that i had seen papers with "Ballinagree wind farm" on the seat of his van, ~~then~~ he then tried to back track and make excuses to cover his "lies" this is the ~~dis~~ dishonest plays and lies that these people will do to get their way

planning

When the developer began signing up landowners in 2017 how did they know the area was suitable for a wind farm when the 1<sup>st</sup> wind measuring mast was only erected in 2019 how is this proper procedure,

The local planning authority also rejected planning permission for a dwelling house in the area

due to a corner of the roof protruding into the sky-line yet these turbines will be 185 meters into the sky how is this a Fair system

The 2006 outlines are far outdated for the size of this development

~~(In the pre-application)~~

There was also an planning history on the site

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It also has an effect on the value of property and the effect of depopulation in the area

### Archology

The musheru area has a rich and popular amount of archidolgal prehistoric wedge tombs, standing stones and holy wells these must be protected as coillte have not a great record for this as there was an historical rane hunting lodge in the area when coillte bought the ground they just bulldozed the house and flattened it

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people living in these areas where proposed developments should be involved at the earliest possible time, not like these developers have done to have their voice and say.

covid did help the community in the shape of having meetings which is unfortunate because the developers did not stop during the lockdown as they were seen in the area outside their 5 km zone

I object to this application strongly, you have the power to do the right thing this community doesn't want it  
Thank you

John O Sullivan

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