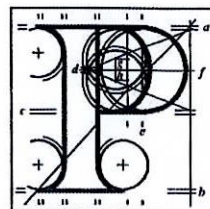


Our Case Number: ABP-316051-23

Planning Authority Reference Number:



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Elizabeth Bracken
Lissanode
Moate
Co. Westmeath
N37TW35

Date: 05 May 2023

Re: Renewable energy development comprising 9 no. wind turbines and associated infrastructure.
Umma More and adjacent townlands, County Westmeath.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your observation or submission in relation to the case mentioned above 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.

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.

For further information on this case please access our website at www.pleanala.ie and input the 6-digit case number into the search box. This number is shown on the top of this letter (for example: 303000).

Yours faithfully,

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30th April 2023

Re Case Reference 316051 Umma More Wind Farm

Dear An Bord Pleanala,

My name is Elizabeth Bracken and I live in Lissanode where my husband and I built our home in 2006 and have been raising our family here too. I have lived in Lissanode since I was born and this is a beautiful part of countryside to have the privilege of living here. Now we can see from our windows right across to Rosemount Hill this is a clear view for over 10KM with no obstructions in the way other than trees, hedges, and fields.

I am truly opposed to the construction of a windfarm been built on my door step where my family and I live. These turbines will be towering over us at 185m high dust infringing on our way of life and dwarfing us. Not to mention the effect it will have on our lives both physically and mentally. These giants will eject background noise which is not natural to the environment that we live in, not to mention the shadow that we will be living in, the light will be affected in our home with the constant flicker. This is not physically or mentally healthy for any person to live with. It can also result in the fact that a person could develop epilepsy, anyone could have an underling issue that they never knew of and suddenly have a seizure thus leading to the fact that we could not have friends to ever visit as nobody would like to take the risk of anything happening to friend or guest. We do not want to live with these wind turbines in our area and see the effect they will have on our environment and landscape. The natural habit will be destroyed, and we are exposed to the constant flicker and noise pollution that will come from these giants. This will leave us both sleep deprived and not to mention our health will be effected. The effect both physically and mentally that these turbines will have on me and my family is not acceptable, We did not build our home and go through strenuous planning restriction just to have these monstrosity right on top of us, we are just within 3 years of completing our mortgage and after spending all this time our property will now decrease in value by at least 30% if not more if the wind turbines at Umma More go ahead.

The landowners of these properties who have agreed to have the wind turbines erected on their properties do not live on the proposed sites and therefore will not hinder their living with these giants daily and have no idea what an effect it will have on the locals that will be living in the shadows of flickering light and noise pollution. Umma More is very much a community that cares for all and the environment that we live in, the windfarm that is proposed for Umma More is neither environmentally friendly, beneficial for those living near it and is nothing but a hinders to the community.