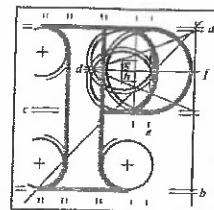


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Environmental Protection Agency  
EPA Headquarters  
PO Box 3000  
Johnstown Castle Estate  
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Y35 W821

Date: 26 May 2023

Re: Proposed development of Oweninny Wind Farm Phase 3 consisting of 18 wind turbines.  
Within the townlands of Laghtanvack, Croaghaun (also known as Croaghaun West), Moneynieran,  
Corvoderry, Shanvolahan, Dooleg More, Shranakilly, Bellacorrick and Shanvodinnaun, Co. Mayo

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter.

The Board will revert to you in due course in respect of this 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](http://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,

  
Sarah Caulfield  
Executive Officer  
Direct Line: 01-8737287

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**Sarah Caulfield**

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**From:** Sarah Caulfield  
**Sent:** Friday 26 May 2023 14:51  
**To:** 'eiaplanning@epa.ie'  
**Subject:** RE: Strategic Infrastructure Development Planning Application: Bord na Mona Powergen Limited Oweninny Wind Farm Phase 3 at Bellacorick, Co. Mayo.

Dear Sir/Madam,

The Board acknowledges receipt of your email and attached submission.

Kind Regards,  
Sarah

**From:** EIAPlanning <eiaplanning@epa.ie>  
**Sent:** Friday, May 26, 2023 1:18 PM  
**To:** Bord <bord@pleanala.ie>  
**Subject:** Strategic Infrastructure Development Planning Application: Bord na Mona Powergen Limited Oweninny Wind Farm Phase 3 at Bellacorick, Co. Mayo.

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**Strategic Infrastructure Development Planning Application- Bord na Mona Powergen Limited, Oweninny Wind Farm Phase 3 at Bellacorick, Co. Mayo.**

Dear Sir/Madam,

I refer to correspondence received on 03 April 2023 from consultants on behalf of Bord na Mona Powergen Limited requesting comments from the Agency on a Section 37E<sup>1</sup> planning application and Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) for the above referenced development. The Agency makes the below observations.

Bord na Mona Energy Limited, Boora, Leabeg, Tullamore, County Offaly was issued an Integrated Pollution Control Licence (Register No: P0505-01) on 18/05/2000. The licence was granted for Class 1.4 of the First Schedule of the EPA Act 1992 *'the extraction of peat in the course of business which involves an area exceeding 50 hectares'* at Oweninny Group, c/o Oweninny Works, Bellacorick, Ballina, Mayo.

Details of the licence application and licence may be viewed on the Agency's website [www.epa.ie](http://www.epa.ie). The licence may need to be reviewed or amended to accommodate the changes proposed in the planning application.

It is noted that the planning application is accompanied by an EIAR. As part of its consideration of any licence review application that may be received which addresses the changes proposed, the Agency shall ensure that before the revised licence is granted, the licence application will be made subject to an Environmental Impact Assessment as respects the matters that come within the functions of the Agency and in accordance with Section 83(2A) and Section 87(1G)(a) of the EPA Act. In addition, consultation on the licence application and EIAR will be carried out in accordance with Section 87 (1B) to (1H) of the EPA Act as appropriate. Please also note that you will be requested to provide the documentation relating to the EIA you have carried out to the Agency under Section 173A(4) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended.

Should a licence review application be received by the Agency, all matters to do with emissions to the environment from the activities proposed, the licence review application documentation and EIAR will be considered and assessed by the Agency.

Where the Agency is of the opinion that the activities, as proposed, cannot be carried on, or cannot be effectively regulated under a licence then the Agency cannot grant a licence for such an activity. Should the Agency decide to grant a licence in respect of the activity, as proposed, it will incorporate conditions that will ensure that appropriate National and EU standards are applied, and that Best Available Techniques (BAT) will be used in the carrying on of the activities.

Finally, please note that in accordance with Section 87(1D)(d) of the EPA Act, the Agency cannot issue a Proposed Determination on a licence application which addresses the development above until a planning decision has been made.

For all further queries and correspondence relating to planning matters, please contact [eiaplanning@epa.ie](mailto:eiaplanning@epa.ie)

Yours faithfully,  
Environmental Licensing Programme

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An Clár um Cheadúnú Comhshaoil  
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<sup>[1]</sup> Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

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30<sup>th</sup> March 2023

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Johnstown Castle Estate,  
Wexford.

Re: Strategic Infrastructure Development Planning Application  
Oweninny Wind Farm Phase 3, Bellacorick, Co. Mayo

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write to inform you that Bord na Móna Powergen Limited, is applying to An Bord Pleanála for permission for development in respect of the above project. This application is submitted under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).

I attach a CD containing a copy of the public notices, full planning application documents, Environmental Impact Assessment Report, Natura Impact Statement and a Schedule of Mitigation Measures.

In considering this application, An Bord Pleanála can decide to:

- (a) (i) grant the permission, or
- (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its permission and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or
- (iii) grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
- (b) refuse to grant permission.

Any submissions/observations must be made to the Board at 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 relating to:

- (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned;
- (ii) the likely significant effects on the environment of the proposed development if carried out;
- (iii) the likely effects of the proposed development on a European Site, if carried out.

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The application may also be viewed at a dedicated website, [www.oweninnywindfarmphasethreeplanning.ie](http://www.oweninnywindfarmphasethreeplanning.ie), and at the public offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 and Mayo County Council, Áras an Chontae, The Mall, Castlebar, Co. Mayo, F23 WF90.

Any submissions/observations must be received by the Board not later than 5.30pm on the 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023.

Yours sincerely,

Brian Gallagher

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Technical Director

For and on behalf of TOBIN Consulting Engineers

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End: CD containing:

Copy of Public Notices

Planning Application

Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Natura Impact Statement

Schedule of Mitigation Measures