Our Case Number: ABP-317560-23



Susan Donegan Leafy Lane Carraun Castleconnor Co. Sligo

Date: 27 May 2024

Re: Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and

hydrogen plant in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

Carrowleagh, Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and Curraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

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.

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,

Lauren Murphy
Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737275

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Lauren Murphy

From:

Aileen Donagher McGowan

Sent:

Wednesday 22 May 2024 15:54

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Susan Donegan Submission for 317560-23

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Susan Donegan.pdf

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A chara,

Please find attached submission from Susan Donegan for case 317560-23 I should be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email and confirm that the attachment will open,

Kind regards, Aileen Donagher McGowan

Leafy Lane, Carraun, Corbalia, Co. Sligo. F26H283 18/5/24

Re Case Number 317560-23 Firlough Windfarm, Carrowleagh, Bonniconlon, Co. Mayo and hydrogen plant at Carraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

15th May 2024

My Private Water Supply

My water supply from my private well is located approximately 200m from boreholes No6 and No.7 for the proposed hydrogen site. It is therefore within the buffer zone.

The database consulted by Minerex for the Groundwater supply assessment is not a comprehensive database, by admission of Minerex.

Minerex is therefore incorrect in stating that the nearest well is 1.4 Km to the north located in proximity to the castle.

I have lived most of my life in this area and I know of no castle near GSI1131NEW005 either.

However they go on to say that there no other boreholes within at least 4km of the site!

I seriously question the ability of the person checking all of this vital information and this casts doubts in my mind about the accuracy of other information in the Appendix 9.8 Groundwater Supply Assessment .

In the Non-technical summary on p26 it states 'Consultation with GSI well database (2022) indicates that the windfarm site, hydrogen plant site, grid connection route and interconnection route do not intersect with any mapped well buffer zone (250m)'

This statement is also incorrect. It shows that no proper check was done apart from a desktop study, for a project that will potentially affect my whole life.

In the application, cables are proposed to be laid within close proximity to my well along the L66121, Leafy Lane. This is not ok as my well may potentially be damaged.

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My well was not assessed as an observation well, during testing by Minerex. This was due to inadequate research by those carrying out the report. It is totally unacceptable that this company subsequently makes claims that their pumping has had little discernible impact on other water sources in this area.

I also note that David Kiely and Sarah Jones signed off on this information.

Despite me raising the issue of my private well in my original submission in August 2023, and again in January 2024, Mercury Renewables have ignored the issue completely in their responses. At this stage, I can only presume that this has been done deliberately.

I was annoyed by the fact that some of my information was redacted by Mercury in their response document in March 2024. Who took responsibility for doing this? What medical qualifications does this person have to make such a decision? My health is a big issue in relation to this development and I have clearly stated same. I resent the fact that the applicant has done this, as we are in a time when people are encouraged to talk about health issues, without feeling shame.

Susan Donegan,



WATER ANALYSIS REPORT

Customer Name:	Susan Donegan	
Customer Address:		
Email:		
Phone:	087 8764766	
Sample Reference:		
Submitted By:		
Report Date:	23/05/2024	

PARAMETER	RESULT	MAC** VALUE
pH	7.53	6.5 - 9.5
True Colour	4	20 PtCo
Apparent Colour	6	20 PtCo
Turbidity	0.51	4 NTU
iron	0.02	0.2 mg/L
Manganese	0.048	0.05 mg/L
Hardness	359.1	<150 mg/L
Visual Assessment		

MAC** Value = Maximum Allowable Concentration

The above EPS Analysis are guidelines in the selection process for EPS Staff on the required treatment. However, EPS would recommend that a comprehensive analysis of the Raw Water be undertaken by an accredited laboratory, to carry out microbiological, chemical and indicator parameters as set out by the European Union (Drinking Water) Regulations, 2023.

Analysis Carried Out By: Elaine Brennan

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