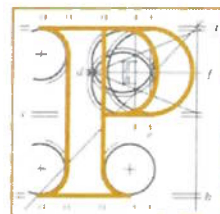


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Planning Authority Reference Number:



An
Bord
Pleanála

Majella Quinlivan
Ballingarrane
Clonmel
Co. Waterford
E91P920

Date: 29 January 2024

Re: Proposed construction of Coumnagappul Wind Farm consisting of 10 no. turbines and associated infrastructure.

In the townlands of Coumnagappul, Carrigbrack, Knockavanniamountain, Barricreemountain Upper and Glennaneanemountain, Skeehans, Lagg, Co. Waterford.
(www.coumnagappulwindfarmSID.ie)

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 or email sids@pleanala.ie quoting the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

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Fee of €50 enclosed.

Dear Sir/Madam,

Nire Valley Bogtrotters Walking Club submits the follow observations on the above planning application.

The Club walks in the Comeragh Mountains on a regular basis and notes the non-technical summary submitted on walking routes is incorrect. The Club and other local walking clubs would access the "site" on Milk Hill on a regular basis. In fact, the low walking route from Clonmel to Dungarvan covers Milk Hill up to Seefin. In addition the area has notable Bronze Age sites including a large Ring Barrow on the Northern slope of Mil Hill, stone circle and Fluacht Fiadh's which walkers and tourists visit.

The recreational area of high amenity value would be severely impacted by an Industrial Scale development with 185 metre turbines places at c.450m high and visible from all the main ridges and summits of the Comeragh range. At present, there is an excellent panoramic view from Milk Hill south to Dungarvan, West to the Knockmealdown's and the Galty mountains, North to Lagthnafranke, east to Knockanaffrin, the Gap, Comeragh Plateau and Seefin.

The Waterford City and County Development Plan 2022-2028 designates this area as an exclusion zone for such developments, we should protect, manage, and enhance the natural heritage, biodiversity, and environment of the Comeragh range.

The noise, flicker and shadow from turbines would have a negative effect on human and wildlife in this area.

Yours sincerely,

Majella Quinlivan

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Secretary, Nire Valley Bogtrotters Walking Club.





