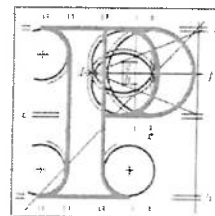


Our Case Number: ABP-318446-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Office of Public Works
Head Office
Jonathan Swift Street
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C15 NX36

Date: 10 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 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 or email sids@pleanala.ie quoting the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

PP HCM

Niamh Hickey
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From: Patrick Gaines <patrick.gaines@opw.ie>
Sent: Monday 8 January 2024 15:59
To: SIDS
Subject: Bord Pleanála Case reference: PA93-318446 - The_OPW
Attachments: The_Office_of_Public_Works.pdf

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please find see attached letter with observations. The Office of Public Works are exempt from submission fees.

Regards

Patrick Gaines

Patrick Gaines
Flood Projects Management

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An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,
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08/01/2024

Your Ref: Bord Pleanála Case reference: PA93-318446
Our Ref: CT-10/2024

Re: Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) Planning Application for the development of a Wind Farm consisting of 10 no. turbines (and all associated works) in the townlands of Bleantasourmountain, Carrigbrack, Clooncogaile, Coumnagappul, Glennaneanmountain, Kilkeany, Kilkeany Mountain, Knocavanniamountain and Reanadampaun Commons, Ballymacmague North, Ballymacmague South, Colligan More, Colliganwood, Eaglehill, Garryclone, Garryduff, Kilcooney, Killadangan, Knockacaharna, Knockboy, Lackandarra Upper and Tinalira Co. Waterford., Co. Waterford.

Dear Sir/Madam,

In general, if any new culverts or bridges (or modification to an existing culvert or bridge) are required to cross watercourses as part of the development, an application for consent from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland under Section 50 of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1945 should be submitted to the Office of Public Works.

The consent of the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland under Section 47 of the Arterial Drainage Act, 1945 and/or under Section 9 of the Arterial Drainage (Amendment) Act 1995 is required where such related works occur.

Further information on the consent process including the application form and brochure are available on our website at <https://www.gov.ie/en/publication/957aa7-consent-requirements-constructionalteration-of-watercourse-infrastru/>

Please note that, in the context of seeking consent under Section 50, the current required design standard for bridges or culverts is based on the flood with an annual exceedance probability of 1% (often referred to as the 100 year flood), increased by 20% to cater for the effects of Climate Change. Bridges or culverts are required to be able to convey this design flood without significantly altering the hydraulic characteristics of the watercourse. Further details are available in the brochure and can be clarified depending on the circumstances of any particular proposed bridge or culvert. Information on Flood Risk appropriate to site-proposed development may be viewed at www.floodinfo.ie

A grant of planning permission for a development does not confer consent on an applicant from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland, nor does it absolve an applicant from the requirement to obtain consent from the Commissioners of Public Works in Ireland where required.



Where development occurs in the vicinity of an Arterial Drainage Scheme, access is required by the OPW for maintenance purposes. A 10m undeveloped strip next to the channel is required. This strip should be accessible to mechanical plant and should not be landscaped, paved or otherwise developed in a manner that would impede maintenance or access.

Yours sincerely,

Patrick Gaines
Arterial Drainage Administration