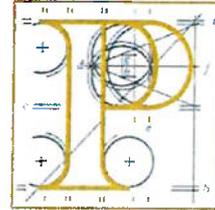


Our Case Number: ABP-318701-23



An
Bord
Pleanála

Madeline Lavelle
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Co. Mayo

Date: 26 February 2024

Re: 10 year planning permission for the proposed wind energy development consisting of 22 wind turbines and all associated infrastructure located in the townlands of Glenora, Altderg, Keergien, Ballykinlettragh, Ballycastle, Ballyglass, Killeena, Glencullin and Lugnalettin, Co. Mayo. (www.glenorawfplanning.com)

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. Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,


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RE GLENORA WINDFARM BALLYCASTLE NO 318701

I wish to put following submissions before An Bord Pleanala re above windfarm proposal. The proposed windfarm comes close to our villages from Cluddaun side with a used road also running nearby the proposed farm to and from Inagh with farms and a resident.

I am from the area, visit frequently and my disabled brother Michael is resident and runs his farm in adjacent Cluddaun.

1 The area is prone to land slides

There has been land slides in Inagh, Shanettra and an active current land split/shift in adjacent Cluddaun Hill. Windfarms developments have been turned down in Inagh, Croughan and Cluddaun previously.

The area of the Glenora Windfarm is of very high altitude and overlooks the Bellacorick Basin and nearby villages of Muinganeerin, Altderrig, Cluddaun, Shrameen and Crucknacolly with residents and farms. Reading the article in Western people it says it is nearby Ballycastle town but I see on the map it is nearer our villages than Ballycastle town as suggests. There is residents and active farming in six areas nearby. Another concerning point is the disaster of Derrybrien wind farm and its landslides. A real concern for the residents of this area too. Our area is also in N H A and a conservation of wildlife.

2 Fire Hazard

Windturbines in forests are firehazard/ risk with nearby residents, wildlife and livestock and the area is heavily forested so would soon become a burning inferno endangering life. There is only one road in and out of the area so no other escape route.

Wind turbines only take a matter of minute to ignite and this area is prone to bad weather conditions with lightning strikes.

3 Water supply in the area

The only source of water in these areas is wells of which the source is not known, With deep excavations there could be a risk water is cut off.

4 Phone signals

Loosing phone signals is a huge concern with another huge windfarm in the area.

5 Caoilte neglect of the only road going into the area to their forests. The same road is used by residents and landowners.

Residents and land owners in the area have to use a hazardous substandard road with often hundreds of potholes. Despite politicians calls for coilte to address the wear and tear of this narrow road with funding because of logs carrying heavy lorries. Another hazard for motorists is having to reverse often around turns to find a place to pull in to let their heavy trucks pass. When the council patch up the road it quickly deteriorates with heavy vehicular traffic.

6 Flooding

Roads become impassable due to insufficient drainage along the road to the area. This has never been addressed.

Thank you for consideration and I await a response in due course

Madeline Lavelle