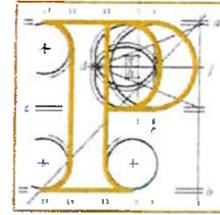


Our Case Number: ABP-318701-23



**An
Bord
Pleanála**

Department of Defence
C/o Don Watchorn
Property Management Branch
Department of Defence
Station Road, Newbridge
Co. Kildare

Date: 10 January 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, Keerglen, 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.

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,



Evan McGuigan
Executive Officer
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Subject: Observation letter re. ABP 318701-23

A Chara,

Please find attached, observation letter in respect of An Bord Pleanála ref. ABP 318701-23

Planning Application by Glenora Wind Farm (DAC) for a windfarm development located approximately 6km south-west of the village of Ballycastle, Co. Mayo.

Is mise, le meas,
Don

Don Watchorn

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An Bord Pleanála
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29 December 2023

ABP ref. 318701-23

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write with regard to the above application by Glenora Wind Farm (DAC) for a windfarm development located approx 6km south-west of the village of Ballycastle, Co. Mayo.

The Minister for Defence is responsible for the regulation of military aviation, whereas the Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) is responsible for the safety regulation of civil aviation including aerodromes. The IAA does not have remit for military aviation or installations. Safeguarding of military flight operations and installations is intended to protect both current and future aircraft operations and also to take account of the security requirements associated with some of those operations.

Following consultations with our Air Corps colleagues at Casement Aerodrome, the Department of Defence would like to make the following observation:

All turbines should be illuminated by Type C, Medium intensity, Fixed Red obstacle lighting with a minimum output of 2,000 candela to be visible in all directions of azimuth and to be operational H24/7 days a week.

Obstacle lighting should be incandescent or, if LED or other types are used, of a type visible to Night Vision equipment. Obstacle lighting used must emit light at the near Infra-Red (IR) range of the electromagnetic spectrum, specifically at or near 850 nanometres (nm) of wavelength.

Light intensity to be of similar value to that emitted in the visible spectrum of light

Any Irish Air Corps (IAC) requirements are separate to Irish Aviation Authority (IAA) requirements.



Please contact me if you have any queries in this regard.

Yours faithfully,

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