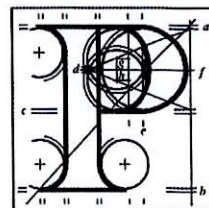


**Our Case Number:** ABP-316051-23

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Ken and Anne O'Rourke  
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**Date:** 27 April 2023

**Re:** Renewable energy development comprising 9 no. wind turbines and associated infrastructure.  
Umma More and adjacent townlands, County Westmeath.

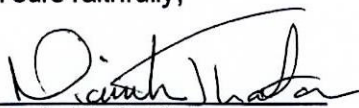
Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your observation or submission in relation to the case mentioned above 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.

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.

For further information on this case please access our website at [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) and input the 6-digit case number into the search box. This number is shown on the top of this letter (for example: 303000).

Yours faithfully,

  
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26<sup>th</sup> April 2023

To Whom it May Concern,

**Re: Case Reference 316051**

**Ummamore Renewable Energy Development**

We the owners of house no. 28 on map provided to us by Enerco wish to object to the above development on the following grounds.

The visual impact will be very severe and unacceptable. No proper wind monitoring was completed as both wind monitoring mast erected by developer collapsed on two occasions.

The SEAI Wind Atlas reports low average wind speeds for the proposed site. The area is also designated as low wind in Westmeath County Development Plan. The planning application refers to "low capacity" of the site.

Our property will be surrounded on three sides. All nine of these turbines will be within 1 kilometre distance from our dwelling.

More than half our farm is within the 750 metre boundary. In the case of this development wind turbines should not be placed 324 metres not as mentioned 7.19 of planning application from Non Participating Land owners boundary as per Wind Energy Guidelines which is not so in this case see attached map. Enerco cannot take wind from non-consenting land owners. T2 is to be located 294 metres from our land boundary. T6 is to be located 320 metres from our land boundary which is in breach of planning. Please find attached maps highlighting this Folio WH2606.

**This area has the last remaining wetland in this area, which has a large population of snipe and lapwing, we also have a healthy population of otters. This company Enerco have been involved in one ecological disaster so they have no respect for people or wildlife. Please find attached photos of otters playing on our land. This is a quiet rural area noise emitted by industrial turbines of this size would destroy the quality of the local environment and natural habitat also potential health consequences due to sleep disturbances all homes will be subjected to shadow flicker due to turbine blades blocking sunlight.**

**Currently our daughter who is a vet and travelling abroad plans on returning in the near future to take over the running of this farm. If this development proceeds it will limit and restrict the type of farming which she wishes to pursue and would be impossible if this development goes ahead due to the closeness and overpowering height of these turbines.**

**From the outset of this proposed development the approach has progressed to this stage tinged with lies, deceit and hush money offered to gullible people not realising the long term consequences of these windfarms which would be better off located in the sea where there is constant wind in abundance.**

**Yours Sincerely**

**Ken and Anne O Rourke**







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