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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal NO: ACP-APP-322154-25Defer Re O/H ☐Having considered the contents of the submission dated/ received 19/12/25
fromThomas Comerford I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000
be not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s): No new planning issuesE.O.: Daniel O'ConnorDate: 8/1/26

For further consideration by SEO/SAO

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage. ☐Section 131 to be invoked – allow 2/4 weeks for reply. ☐

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Please prepare BP _____ - Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached
submission

to: _____ Task No: _____

Allow 2/3/4 weeks – BP _____

EO: _____

Date: _____

AA: _____

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CORRESPONDENCE FORM

Appeal No: ~~ACP~~ ABP-322154-25

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Please treat correspondence received on 19/12/25 as follows:

1. Update database with new agent for Applicant/Appellant _____

2. Acknowledge with BP233. Keep copy of Commission's Letter ☐

1. RETURN TO SENDER with BP _____

2. Keep Envelope: ☐3. Keep Copy of Commission's letter ☐

Amendments/Comments

Thomas Comerford's response to
S131 notice

4. Attach to file

(a) R/S ☐(d) Screening ☐(b) GIS Processing ☐(e) Inspectorate ☐(c) Processing ☐RETURN TO EO ☐Re-submit drawer

	Plans Date Stamped ☐
	Date Stamped Filled in ☐
EO: <u>Danier & Connor</u>	AA: <u>Shirley Connolly</u>
Date: <u>8/1/26</u>	Date: <u>08/01/26</u>

Name: Tom Comerford

Address: Knockeenglass, Kilmanagh, Co. Kilkenny R95 HE4C

ACP Reference: 322154-25

KCC Planning File: 256003

Briskalagh Ltd

18th December 2025

Dear Inspector,

I make this observation as a party to the First Party Grounds of Appeal (GOA) submitted by Briskalagh Ltd, in response to the Further Information provided in respect of the proposed wind farm development within the Kilmanagh, Ballycallan, and Tullaroan communities.

It is noted that Section 11.5.3.12 of the Kilkenny County Development Plan 2021-2027 states that:

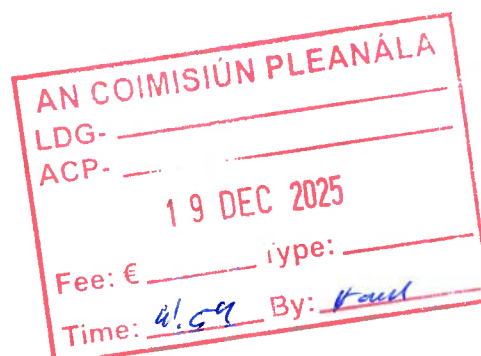
“Applications for wind energy developments shall be accompanied by an assessment detailing potential impacts, mitigation and residual impacts upon the equine industry. Such assessments shall, inter alia, consider issues including noise and shadow flicker.”

Furthermore, Section 11.5.3.6 of the Kilkenny County Development Plan 2021-2027 states that:

“For the purposes of this Development Plan, a registered thoroughbred stud farm is considered to be a noise and flicker sensitive property as referred to in the Government’s Wind Energy Development Guidelines, and any revisions thereof.”

We have 5 horses on our farm where we breed sport horses and which is located in Knockeenglass, Kilmanagh and is within 1km of a number of the proposed turbines. Whilst we are not a registered stud farm we are very passionate about our horses and we are very fearful about the health of our horses as well as our own personal well being. We have grave reservations about the siting of a wind farm so near us.

We already have **24** Turbines on elevated sites within a **7** km radius of the village of Kilmanagh. The proposed **Briskalagh** wind farm would be located in a valley between Kilmanagh and Tullaroan villages adding another **7** turbines bringing the total to **31** in a populated corner of West Kilkenny. And as these Turbines get nearer to both villages and more densely populated areas they are also getting bigger....**185 m** Tip Height with a **163 m** Rotor diameter...How is this safe for the human population of the area??



Signed: Thomas Gaster 18-12-25

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