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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal NO: ACP ~~ABP~~ - 322154-25Defer Re O/H ☐Having considered the contents of the submission dated/ received 18/12/25
fromGraigie Ballycallan 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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Appeal No: ~~ACP~~ ABP-322154-25

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Amendments/Comments

Graigue Ballycallan GAA Club's
response to SI31 notice

4. Attach to file

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Date: <u>8/1/26</u>	Date: <u>08/01/26</u>

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ACP: 322154-25

Planning Authority Ref: 2560003

Hi Daniel,

Please find submission attached on behalf of Graigue Ballycallan GAA club.

Kind Regards,

Graigue Ballycallan GAA Club



Graigue Ballycallan GAA Club
Tom Ryall Park
Kilmanagh
Co.Kilkenny
R95VK63
18th December 2025

Case Number ACP-322154-25

KCC Planning File : 2560003

To: An Coimisiún Pleanála

Dear Inspector,

Graigue Ballycallan GAA club 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.

We would like to outline the following key issues that we believe will adversely impact our club and the surrounding area:

1. Flooding Concerns

- In the Flood assessment (Fluvio R&D Limited) September 2025 the report refers to the “hurling pitch” in Kilmanagh. We wish to clarify that there are 2 no. pitches located in Kilmanagh with our pitches bounded by Kilmanagh bridge to the North and by the Kilmanagh River to the East.
- Page 50 of the Fluvio R&D Limited report states that special attention was given to flood levels in Kilmanagh town. In particular, and as highlighted in Figures 33 & 34 of the report, it is explicitly stated that during the occurrence of a Q100cc (1 in 100 year + climate change) or a Q1000cc (1 in 1000 year + climate change) the output of the hydraulic modelling exercise demonstrates that **the hurling pitch immediately downstream of Kilmanagh bridge does not flood**. This is a significant and concerning erroneous statement and miscalculation.

The analysis concluded that:

- The hurling pitch, e.g. downstream right floodplain **does not flood** for Q100.. and Q1000..'

- To say that the hurling pitch(es) in Kilmanagh are only in danger of 1 in 100 year or 1 in 1000 year floods is simply erroneous as our original submission contained photographic evidence of extreme flooding of the hurling pitches in October 2022 and again in October 2023. As recently as the 11th November 2025 one of the pitches was flooded up to 304mm.
- This flood event had an estimated return period of 1 in 15 years to 1 in 20 years at this location, however the assessment and analysis undertaken by Fluvio R& D Limited presents that the hurling pitch would not be subject to flood inundation up to the 1 in 1000 year + climate change flood event. This demonstrates that this Site Specific Hydraulic Modelling exercise is significantly flawed and does not provide any confidence whatsoever in relation to the potential adverse impact of the proposed wind farm development on the existing hydrological regime of the area.
- The hydraulic model used by Fluvio only extends for a distance of approximately **60m** downstream of Kilmanagh bridge. Our club grounds extend for approximately **500m** downstream from Kilmanagh bridge. In this regard the hydraulic model in no way represents the existing baseline scenario and proposed development scenario hydrological and flood regime at Kilmanagh. This is demonstrated by the point discussed above.

Please find in **attached folder** a number of photos of flooding events at Tom Ryall Park in the past few years most especially in **October 2022** and **October 2023**:

2. Noise and Visual Impact

The Presence of 607 foot high wind turbines within 1 km of our playing pitches will generate continuous noise pollution, will be a visual distraction and cause Shadow Flicker for our players and supporters and may put off other teams from playing in Tom Ryall park. The proposed turbines are placed directly behind the south facing goalposts on both the camogie pitch and hurling pitch. Therefore, the turbines would be in line of sight of players and officials who are facing or shooting at the south facing goalposts on both pitches. These turbines will cause a severe visual distraction/visual disruption to players and will cause difficulty for officials refereeing/officiating and frequent disruption to and points of contention in matches. The visual impact of massive turbines will also alter the scenic quality of our grounds which is a favoured venue among GAA supporters who enjoy the beautiful setting of our pitches. It will also have a detrimental effect on the users of our walk way which is located around the pitch nearest the proposed turbines, for both young and old, who at present can enjoy a safe and quiet form of exercise from early morning until late in the evening.

3. Increased Traffic During Construction

Because an entrance to the windfarm is proposed for the middle of Kilmanagh Village c. 100 metres

from the nearest entrance to our club grounds, the construction phase will lead to a huge increase in heavy vehicle traffic, posing safety risks for club members including children and families who frequent the grounds. In fact, Kilmanagh will be a construction site for the 18-24 months of development. The local primary school, St Aidan's National School Kilmanagh, is located directly across the road from the club grounds and their students regularly cross the road to use the pitches and the walk way. This extra traffic will also lead to congestion on local roads, complicating access to our facilities and potentially causing accidents.

4. Health and Safety Concerns

We want to emphasize that the health and safety of our members is one of our major concerns. The potential dangers associated with this proposed large-scale construction project, including the operation of heavy machinery and transportation of materials, raises serious health and safety concerns for our members and for the local community.

5. Future of Our Club

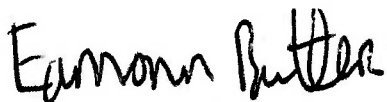
Lastly, we are deeply concerned that should this wind farm go ahead it will discourage our young people from staying in the locality, building homes and rearing families here. Rural decline is a major concern for clubs around the country and we are no different. Our worst fear is that within a few short years we will be struggling to field teams and keeping our club and community alive.

Yours sincerely,

Eamonn Butler

Secretary, Graigue Ballycallan GAA Club

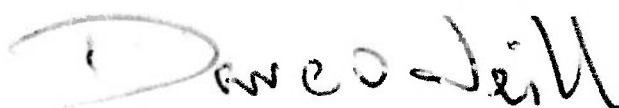
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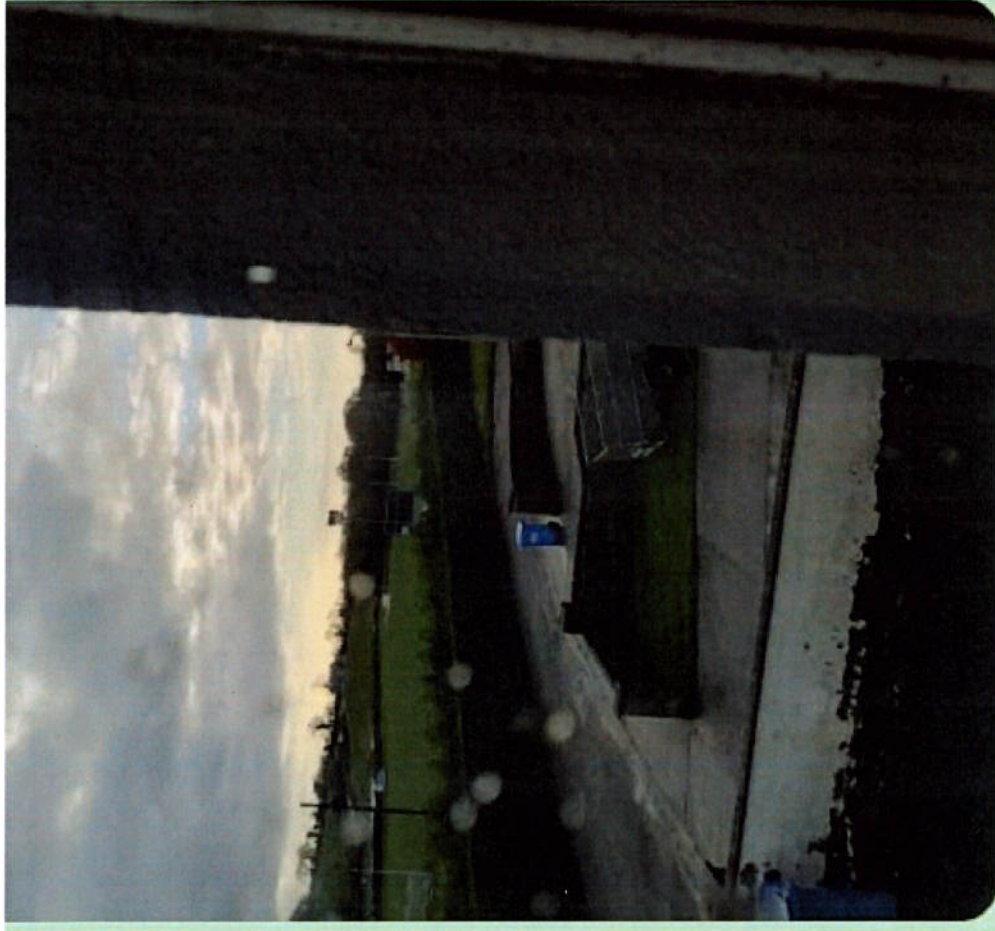


Dave O'Neill

Chairman, Graigue Ballycallan GAA Club

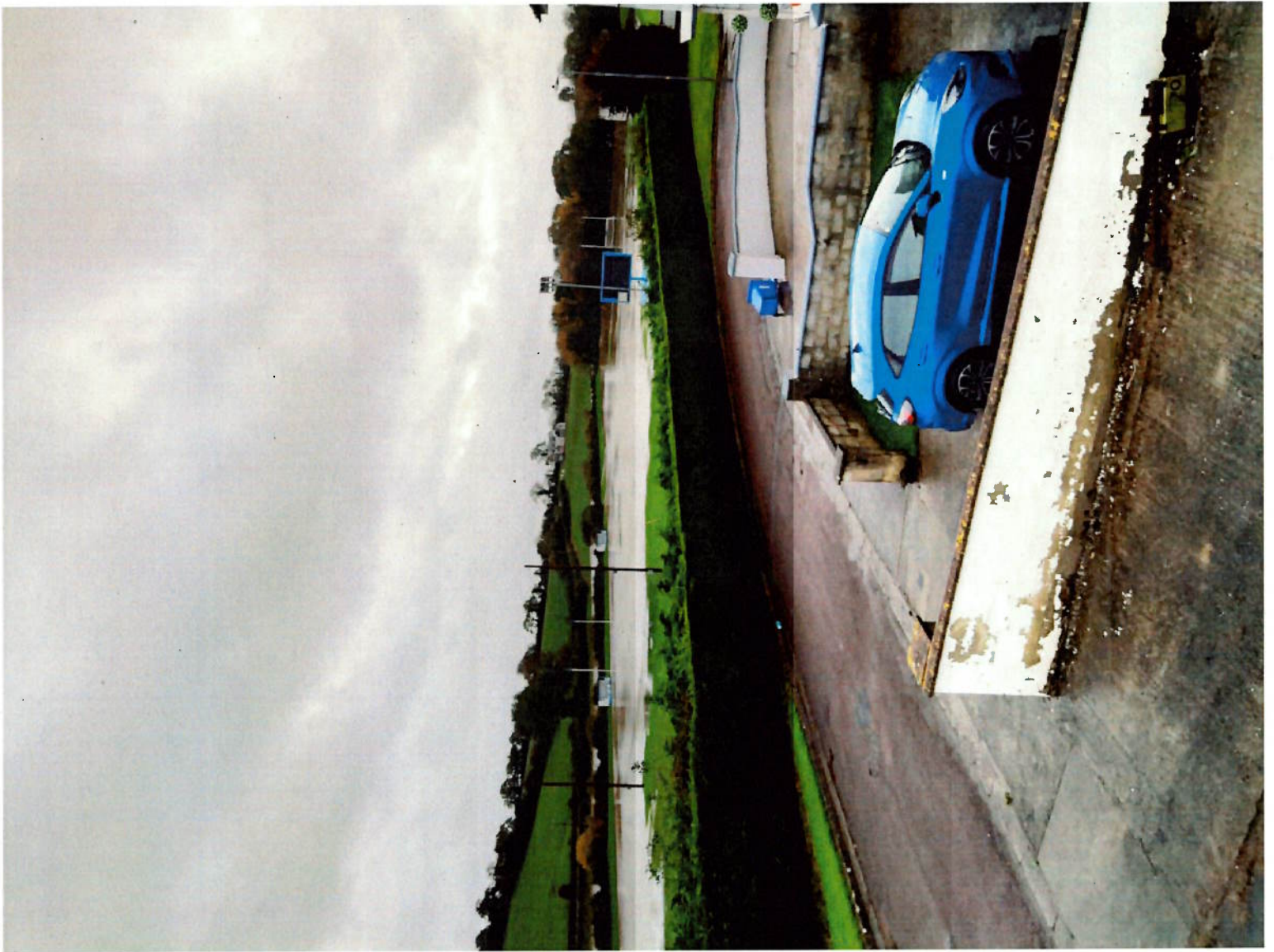
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