

File With _____

Appeal NO: ABP 322787-25

Defer Re O/H

TO: SEO

Having considered the contents of the submission dated/ received 07/07/25

from

Hannah Gayer I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000

be not invoked at this stage for the following reason(s): no new material information

E.O.: Decision letter sent

Date: 06/09/25

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.

S.E.O.: _____

Date: _____

S.A.O.: _____

Date: _____

M _____

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

to: _____ Task No: _____

Allow 2/3/4weeks – BP _____

EO: _____

Date: _____

AA: _____

Date: _____

File With _____

CORRESPONDENCE FORM

Appeal No: ABP 322787-25

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Please treat correspondence received on 07/07/25 as follows:

<p>1. Update database with new agent for Applicant/Appellant _____</p> <p>2. Acknowledge with BP <u>40</u></p> <p>3. Keep copy of Board's Letter <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>1. RETURN TO SENDER with BP _____</p> <p>2. Keep Envelope: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>3. Keep Copy of Board's letter <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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<p>Amendments/Comments <u>online obs received from Hannah</u></p> <p><u>Gray-R</u></p>

<p>4. Attach to file</p> <p>(a) R/S <input type="checkbox"/> (d) Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(b) GIS Processing <input type="checkbox"/> (e) Inspectorate <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>(c) Processing <input type="checkbox"/></p>	<p>RETURN TO EO <input type="checkbox"/></p>
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	<p>Plans Date Stamped <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Date Stamp Filled in <input type="checkbox"/></p>
<p>EO: <u>Dave W. Cook</u></p>	<p>AA: <u>Wadsworth</u></p>
<p>Date: <u>14/07/25</u></p>	<p>Date: <u>16/07/25</u></p>

LDG-OBS 237-25



Planning Appeal Online Observation

Online Reference
NPA-OBS-004769

Online Observation Details

Contact Name
Hannah Gayer

Lodgement Date
07/07/2025 08:02:49

Case Number / Description
322787

Payment Details

Payment Method
Online Payment

Cardholder Name
Sheila Gayer

Payment Amount
€50.00

Processing Section

S.131 Consideration Required

Yes — See attached 131 Form

N/A — Invalid

Signed

Sheila Gayer
EO

Date

14/07/25

Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of

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Lodgement No

LDG—

Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer

Yes No

Request Emailed to Senior Executive Officer for Approval

Yes No

Signed

EO

Date

Finance Section

Payment Reference

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Checked Against Fee Income Online

EO/AA (Accounts Section)

Amount

€

Refund Date

Authorised By (1)

SEO (Finance)

Authorised By (2)

Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board Member

Date

Date

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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal No

ABP—

Defer Re O/H

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and Development Act, 2000 be/not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s):
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Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage.

Section 131 to be invoked — allow 2/4 weeks for reply.

Signed

Date

EO

Signed

Date

SEO/SAO

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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

Signed

Date

EO

Signed

Date

AA

Observation Submission – An Bord Pleanála
Case Reference: ABP-322787

Hannah Gayer
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Killmaclenine
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06/07/2023

To:

The Secretary
An Bord Pleanála
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Planning Authority Reference NO. 24/5503

ABP Case Reference 322787

A Chairde,

I wish to lodge an observation with you regarding the above case number.

My family home is within the 2km boundary of the proposed wind farm site. This planning application has never seemed right and I feel was not fully assessed by Cork County Council before granting permission. Planning permission should not be granted in this location taking the area and community into consideration for several reasons.

We live in a very rich agricultural area of Co Cork. Dairy and tillage farming form the greatest use of the rich land in the area. Dairy animals are affected by turbines. Both noise and flicker from turbines have shown poorer performances in milk yield and fertility..There is also a greater risk of TB outbreaks in the area if planning is approved. This may well lead to dairy herd reduction or total sale of dairy animals if these issues occur. In the current climate politicians and the powers in Europe are becoming increasingly concerned with the exodus from farming and the potential lack of food in the years ahead to feed the growing population. They are now endeavoring to put measures in place to try and maintain if not increase the productivity of farming worldwide to prevent massive food shortages.

There are over 157 family homes within 2km of the proposed site. Shadow Flicker and noise will have a huge impact on these families, their health, both mental and physical. We are only receptors in the EIAR but we are human beings living in a community.

The County Cork based Southern Air Ambulance is based near Rathcoole. It flies the valley paths which has been explained in several submissions at County Council level. None of the submissions made on behalf of the Air ambulance were heeded by Cork County Council. We know this because Cork County Council did not include any further information request on the Air Ambulance in their RFI. The IAA did state that the Height of the turbines "may interfere with small aircraft" but never mentioned the Air ambulance. The manager of the Emergency Air Ambulance was not contacted by Cork County Council for his opinion or comment on the effect this application would have on his service. They constantly bombard him looking for his opinion on the effect of solar panels on the Air Ambulance in planning applications. The proposed site for the turbines is in the valley path of the Air Ambulance. There is no other route that they can fly from Rathcoole to the Limerick/ cork valley at Newtownpot House. A specialist in the area have also stated that the air ambulance cannot fly within 1km of a turbine due to the possibility of wind down draft and other issues. The air ambulance can only fly at a maximum of 500 feet above ground level. The turbine tips are almost 600 feet in height (175 Metres).

On one occasion when I was at home I saw the air ambulance fly directly over the proposed site on the way to an emergency. June 9th at 9.45am. June 11th 5.15pm. I later heard that the lives of the people concerned were saved due to the speedy response of the emergency services and especially the Air Ambulance. I have heard many people in Cork County tell that they owe their lives to the Air Ambulance service in Rathcoole. It was only this year that CUH officially opened a landing pad for the Air Ambulance to support the speedy delivery of patients to the hospital. . If this service is grounded due to the erection of these turbines many people will lose their lives. I ask the question Which is more important Turbines or Human lives? As in this instance both cannot abide together in harmony in the proposed location.

I have many hobbies and past times. These are all essential for my mental and physical wellbeing. I walk ,run or ride my horses on the local road frequently. The local roads are small country roads which barely allow two cars to pass. If this planning application is given the go ahead I will no longer be able to use these local roads. The local roads will become too congested with large HGVs , LGV's and other traffic to and from the site. As the proposed time frame for construction is estimated at 18 months this will totally prevent me from using these wonderful facilities to exercise.

My parents are dairy farmers and own property at both sides of the proposed Turbine delivery route L5523.

They will have limited access to the land on the other side of the road if this route is used. The total number of vehicles proposed over the whole construction is over 11000 (11625) HGV's and LGV's vehicles. The EIAR states that at peak approx 54 LGV or HGV vehicles will use the road every day. Using a working day of 7am to 7pm that means 4.5 HGV or LGV,s per hour. This will make the road inaccessible for everyone to use. In the event of an emergency call to a gp, or an ambulance service these vehicles may well prevent a speedy access to the ill people in the area.

The land owned by my parents also have a ring fort on the bend of the road. A buffer zone exists around this ring fort and covers some of the field where the ringfort exists, the existing road and part of the adjoining field across the road. The applicants state that they will be able to come around these bends without land take or disruption of private property, yet they have not completed a swept path analysis for the bends to show how this will be achieved. My parents have refused the applicant permission to access their lands or interfere with their property in any way.

The omission of an ancient Dolmen or (Cuitoge) as its called locally from the list of National monuments within 5k of the site is hard to understand. This Dolmen which is on our lane to our home is over 4000 years old and is well documented. It is less than 2km from the proposed site and approx 250 meters from the roadway. As a professional I find it hard to understand how an archeological survey was carried out in the area yet there was no interaction with my family about the Dolmen or visitation to examine same, or that it was not included in the EIR report. The Dolmen is evident on all the historical maps of the area which the EIR used as their guide.

On these observations I ask that An Bord Pleanála read all the documentation received and come to an understanding of the horrific impact this planning application if granted will have on our homes and community and livelihoods. I ask that when you take all the relevant reports and information into account that you will reject this application.

Hannah Gayer.