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Planning Appeal Online Observation

Online Reference
NPA-OBS-004804

Online Observation Details

Contact Name Dolores Cronin	Lodgement Date 13/07/2025 17:19:48	Case Number / Description 322787
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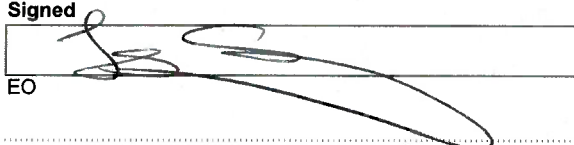
Payment Details

Payment Method Online Payment	Cardholder Name Mr.T Cronin	Payment Amount €50.00
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Processing Section

S.131 Consideration Required

Yes — See attached 131 Form N/A — Invalid

Signed  EO	Date 18/7/25
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Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of €	Lodgement No LDG—
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Reason for Refund

Documents Returned to Observer <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No	Request Emailed to Senior Executive Officer for Approval <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No
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Finance Section

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Authorised By (1) <input type="text"/> SEO (Finance)	Authorised By (2) <input type="text"/> Chief Officer/Director of Corporate Affairs/SAO/Board Member
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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal No

ABP- 322787

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Having considered the contents of the submission dated/received 13/7/18 from Dolores Crown 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 material information

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage.

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

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Signed

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Date

06/08/29

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Please prepare BP — Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached submission.

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Task No

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Allow 2/3/4 weeks

BP

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

To:

The Secretary
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1
D01 V902

Planning Authority Reference 245503

ABP Case Reference 322787

Name: ___Dolores Cronin_____

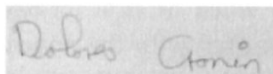
Address: ___Boherascrub, Buttevant, Co. Cork, P51YFE4_____

Email Address: ___Dollycronin@ymail.com_____

Number: ___086 163 6513_____

Date: ___08 July 2025_____

Signature



Dear Secretary.

As a member of the local community, I most strongly object to this application and respectfully ask that you do not grant approval for the application that currently sits with you. This request is based on the following points:

- My home is located approximately 1.3km from the nearest proposed turbine location. This proximity will generate an adverse impact to the health of me and my family due to noise, shadow flicker, infrasound and the associated mental anxiety associated with this entire situation. The mental anxiety impact has already started and will only progressively get worst if this proposed development goes ahead. I have seen recent High Court rulings against turbine development in other communities where the

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activity is stopped and/or there is compensation awarded after complaints from local citizens were upheld.

- As my husband and I near retirement age, we had hoped for our children to settle down close to us but if this development goes ahead., it is highly unlikely they will want to live next door to this adversely impacting environment and we have been told by other impacted community residents that planning permission for houses in close proximity to these developments is almost impossible to obtain. It is also a published fact that the value of property is close proximity to wind turbines decreases which decreases the prospects of having to sell up and move out. I have read a paper from the Centre for Economic Research on Inclusivity and Sustainability (Gillespie T, McHale P (2023) Wind Turbines and House Prices Along the West of Ireland: A Hedonic Pricing Approach, Centre for Economic Research on Inclusivity and Sustainability (CERIS) Working Paper Series, 2023/01) that indicates that house prices can drop in value with close proximity to wind turbines by as much as 15%. This means that if the development goes ahead, and health issues develop with me or my family as a result of this development, I will find it financially difficult to move away from the cause of ill-health at a point in my life where I am only 5 years away from retirement. Additionally, the applicant was asked to consider the impact on a large number derelict houses in close vicinity of the development site. As best I can see for the RFI responses, the applicant did not deem this a worthy request to consider. My niece is looking at the possibility of using the derelict house on our property as the starting point for her new home. If she does proceed with this option (or if she is allowed to proceed with this option), she may well wish to reactivate the water well that was used by her grandfather when he first located to this area. However, according to hydrologist report submitted with the appeal, it seems the developer failed to properly assess the significant risks to wells and water sources in the area that may be impacted by this development.
- The impact on the local community during delivery of materials, construction of turbines and construction of the grid connection will be very significant especially considering there is a relatively poor network of secondary roads in this rural community. The impact to the predominantly farming community will hinder their activities and these routes are a major shortcut for west Limerick inhabitants to travel to Cork city making these roads extremely busy in the mornings and evenings. Personally, I need to ensure easy, unrestricted access to my aging mother with declining health in her later years so constant heavy traffic over a prolonger period will make life very difficult and potentially life threatening. Approximately 150+ homes will be directly affected by this development in this area. I have seen some letters of appeal being submitted to An bord Pleanala where landowners for the turbines sites and landowners along the impacted routes are explicitly expressing

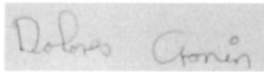
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their objection stating they do not provide permission for interference or use of their property. The community is already experiencing difficulty with the increased level of trucks on the road following the change of ownership of the local quarry in Lisgriffin by Shane Foley. However, the level of the current activity will pale into insignificance when compared to the level of construction transportation that will be experienced if the wind turbine development goes ahead.

- This community is full of wildlife which can be seen in our fields and garden on a daily basis. Foxes, rabbits, hares, bats, birds of prey are plentiful in the area and this proposed development starting with construction and continuing for the life of the project will devastate the natural habitats.

Based on the above points, I respectfully request that you refuse the application for this wind farm development.

Regards,



Dolores Cronin.