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### Planning Appeal Online Observation

Online Reference  
NPA-OBS-004784

LDG-081314-25

#### Online Observation Details

Contact Name  
Amy Relihan

Lodgement Date  
08/07/2025 22:58:41

Case Number / Description  
322787

#### Payment Details

Payment Method  
Online Payment

Cardholder Name  
Amy Relihan

Payment Amount  
€50.00

#### Processing Section

S.131 Consideration Required

Yes — See attached 131 Form

N/A — Invalid

Signed



EO

Date

18/7/25

#### Fee Refund Requisition

Please Arrange a Refund of Fee of

€

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

File With

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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal No

ABP-322787

Defer Re O/H

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Having considered the contents of the submission dated/received 8/7/25 from Amy + David Reihan 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.

[Checked box]

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

[Empty box]

Signed

Dave Utch

Date

06/08/25

EO

Signed

[Empty box]

Date

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SEO/SAO

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

To

[Empty box]

Task No

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Allow 2/3/4 weeks

BP

Signed

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Date

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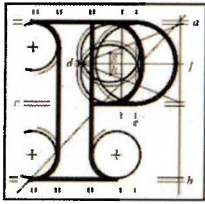
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## Observation on a Planning Appeal: Form.

### Your details

#### 1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

Your full details:

(a) Name

Amy & David Relihan

(b) Address

Boherascrub West, Buttevant, Co. Cork P51H5Y9

### Agent's details

#### 2. Agent's details

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Not Applicable

(b) Agent's address

Not Applicable

## Postal address for letters

3. During the appeal process we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this observation, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only.)

You (the observer) at the address in Part 1

The agent at the address in Part 2

## Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the appeal you wish to make an observation on. If you want, you can include a copy of the planning authority's decision as the observation details.

(a) **Planning authority**

(for example: Ballytown City Council)

Cork County Council

(b) **An Bord Pleanála appeal case number (if available)**

(for example: ABP-300000-19)

322787

(c) **Planning authority register reference number**

(for example: 18/0123)

245503

(d) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Polnareagha, Ardskeagh, Tullacondra, Croughta, Kilmaclenine, Ballyclogh,  
Knockaunavaddreen, Copestown, Ballybeg, Baltydaniel East,  
Twopothouse, Caurraghakerry, Co. Cork

## Observation details

5. Please describe the grounds of your observation ( planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below or you can attach them separately.

We wish to make an observation on this proposed development. We are living within 2km (1.8km to be exact) of these windmills with our three young children. To say that this development is going to change our life is an understatement. It is going to impact our environment, wildlife, the strong farming and equine industries currently in operation.

One of the greatest issue I, Amy, have in relation to this development is the effect that is going to (and already is) having on our small close knit community. As outlined in the Tullacondra Turbine Awareness committees planning appeal there are numerous negative long term community impacts. As a primary school teacher who works with Special Needs children these windmills are going to cause a total sensory overload to any child or indeed adult with SEN. The constant movement and noise that will be omitted from 9 monstrous windmills is going to be unbearable for everybody. Unfortunately it will also make our local National School, Lisgriffin NS a very unattractive option for new enrolments as it is also within 2km of the proposed development. Daily life will be intolerable for people, unsustainable. And this is not just opinion, we saw recently in the High Court case of Byrne & Moorhead v ABO Wind Ireland Ltd where the judge ordered the permanent shut down of windmills due to the noise being a private nuisance and unacceptable in a residential setting. Does this not say it all?

And we are going to have to live with it, because we, like our neighbours will not be able to afford a 20% / 30% decrease in the value of our property.

5. Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below or you can attach them separately.

Another grievance we have, as is also stated in the Tullacondra Turbine Awareness Committee appeal is the road network which will be used on a daily basis in order to erect these windmills. As it has not yet been made clear which route they plan on using, (something which Transport Infrastructure Ireland also commented on when they deemed the entire application as being premature) we can only be prepared for absolute chaos on our small back roads, because no roads in this area are suitable for the volume or scale of vehicles that this development is going to require. So we will not be able to use our roads for any type of recreation with our children and we can just hope and pray that we won't be involved in one of the crashes which there will inevitably be as a result of this planning application being upheld.

Our community is not the place for a development of this scale. It is quite simply too big, too close.

Please don't subject us all to something we can't control.

Thank you for taking the time to read our observation.

Yours sincerely,

Amy & David Relihan



## Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

## Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct **fee** is included with your observation. You can find out the correct fee to include in our [Fees and Charges Guide](#) on our website.

This document has been awarded a Plain English mark by NALA.

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