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**CORRESPONDENCE FORM**

Appeal No: ABP 322787-25

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Please treat correspondence received on 09/07/25 as follows:

1. Update database with new agent for Applicant/Appellant _____	
2. Acknowledge with BP <u>40</u>	1. RETURN TO SENDER with BP _____
3. Keep copy of Board's Letter <input type="checkbox"/>	2. Keep Envelope: <input type="checkbox"/>
	3. Keep Copy of Board's letter <input type="checkbox"/>

Amendments/Comments <u>online observation from Clodagh Cronin</u>

<b>4. Attach to file</b> (a) R/S <input type="checkbox"/> (d) Screening <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> (b) GIS Processing <input type="checkbox"/> (e) Inspectorate <input type="checkbox"/> (c) Processing <input type="checkbox"/>	<b>RETURN TO EO</b> <input type="checkbox"/>
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	Plans Date Stamped <input type="checkbox"/>
	Date Stamped Filled in <input type="checkbox"/>
EO: <u>Diana Lisa Cook</u>	AA: <u>[Signature]</u>
Date: <u>22/07/25</u>	Date: <u>22/07/2025</u>

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Appeal NO: ABP 322787-25

Defer Re O/H

TO: SEO

Having considered the contents of the submission dated/received 09/07/29  
from

Clodagh Cronin 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

E.O.: Daire Mc ark

Date: 06/08/29

**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: \_\_\_\_\_



### Planning Appeal Online Observation

Online Reference  
NPA-OBS-004789

LDG-081325-25

#### Online Observation Details

Contact Name  
Clodagh Cronin

Lodgement Date  
09/07/2025 22:10:24

Case Number / Description  
322787

#### Payment Details

Payment Method  
Online Payment

Cardholder Name  
Clodagh Cronin

Payment Amount  
€50.00

#### Processing Section

S.131 Consideration Required

Yes — See attached 131 Form

N/A — Invalid

Signed

*Clodagh Cronin*

EO

Date

22/07/25

#### 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

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[Empty box]

SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal No

ABP— 322787-29

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[Empty box]

Having considered the contents of the submission dated/received 09/07/29 from Clodagh Cronin I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 be/not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s):

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage.

[Empty box]

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

[Empty box]

Signed

[Empty box]

Date

[Empty box]

EO

Signed

[Empty box]

Date

[Empty box]

SEO/SAO

M

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

To

[Empty box]

Task No

[Empty box]

Allow 2/3/4 weeks

BP

Signed

[Empty box]

Date

[Empty box]

EO

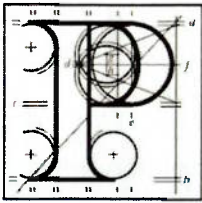
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Date

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AA



## Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

### Observer's 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:

(a) Observer's name

Clodagh Cronin

(b) Observer's postal address

Boherascrub, Buttevant, Co. Cork. P51 PD25

### Agent's details

#### 2. Agent's details (if applicable)

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 postal address

Not applicable

## Postal address for letters

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

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

## Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**  
(for example: 300000)

ABP Case Reference 322787

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Cork County Council, 24/05503. Construction, operation and decommissioning of a Wind Energy Development including 9 wind turbines

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

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

Polnareagha, Ardskeagh, Tullacondra, Crougtha, Kilmaclenine, Ballyclough, Knockaunavaddreen, Copestown, Ballybeg, Baltydaniel East, Twopothouse, Caurraghakerry, Co. Cork.

## Observation details

### 5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word limit** as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

#### **Effect on Community:**

The effect of the wind turbines on the community will be significant and felt by each and every single person and living creature living in the area. As a community we are deeply upset and angry that Tullacondra has stated that the people in the area were consulted from the outset. This is untrue and a **blatant lie**. My sister, parents and I were never consulted or approached by Tullacondra or a representative about the proposed development. Having spoken to all my neighbours, not one of them had been approached by Tullacondra or consulted either. I think the volume of objections and outrage of the community speaks to that. **Above all else, our community (like every other) is entitled to a fair, open and transparent process- we did not receive this.**

For the most part the community consists of families and elderly people, if the proposed development goes ahead, it will completely deter young people from coming to the area and raising their families. Further down the line, this will in turn have a significant impact on the local school, GAA club and aging population as there will be no young people in the area. In the coming months, I am hoping to apply for planning permission to build a home in my area and start a family. This has now been completely impacted by the grant of permission for the proposed development to go ahead. It has left me with so much uncertainty as to whether or not I can build in the area, notwithstanding, if I even want to live in the area with nine

## 5. Grounds

gigantic wind turbines at my back door. **Given how the Irish Government are seeking to address our aging population in the countryside and the restoration of rural Ireland, I think this proposed wind farm goes directly against the spirit of this.**

### **Health Implications of Wind Turbines:**

The health implications of the wind turbines are a great concern to me. As mentioned above I hope to build a home in the area and raise a family. I strongly object to the installation of nine gigantic wind turbines in close proximity to residential areas due to serious and well-documented health concerns. Numerous studies and case reports have linked wind turbine noise—especially low-frequency and infrasound—to sleep disturbances, chronic stress, headaches, tinnitus, and other health issues commonly referred to as "wind turbine syndrome." I am currently engaging in ongoing appointments with a Consultant ENT (Ear, nose and throat specialist) with regards to ongoing tinnitus, vertigo and sinusitis. Having received medical treatment and surgery for the aforementioned medical conditions, **these gigantic wind turbines will directly impact my health and overall quality of life, as advised by both my GP and ENT Consultant.** This is simply not good enough.

Residents living near existing wind farms have reported significant declines in their physical and mental well-being, attributed to noise pollution and shadow flicker from rotating blades. The World Health Organization (WHO) has recognized noise-induced sleep disruption as a health risk, which can lead to long-term cardiovascular and psychological effects.

Placing such large turbines near homes and schools puts vulnerable populations, including children, the elderly, and individuals with pre-existing conditions, at unnecessary risk. Until comprehensive, independent health

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impact assessments are conducted, and precautionary setbacks are enforced, this project should not proceed.

### **Access Roads to Proposed Site:**

I strongly object to the proposed construction of nine large wind turbines in our area due to the significant and unacceptable impact this will have on local roads. This is a small, rural community with roads that are simply not designed to accommodate the large machinery, vehicles, and heavy construction traffic associated with turbine installation and maintenance. The increased volume of oversized transport vehicles will pose a serious risk to the safety of residents, farmers, pedestrians, and cyclists, many of whom rely on these roads daily, either for leisure or work. The disruption during the construction phase alone would be immense, potentially leading to long-term damage to road surfaces and infrastructure that our council may struggle to repair. In a setting like ours, the scale and intensity of **the proposed development is entirely inappropriate and disregards the unique limitations and character of our rural environment.**

**5. Grounds**

## 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.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

## Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

**Observers (except prescribed bodies)**

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

## Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Board to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on our [website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

## Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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**For Office Use Only**

<b>FEM – Received</b>		<b>SIDS – Processed</b>	
Initials		Initials	
Date		Date	

**Notes**