

23rd October 2025

An Coimisiún Pleanála
64 Marlborough St,
Rotunda,
Dublin 1, D01 V902

Our reference no: 25-99SSASL01

RE: Proposed Windfarm development of 7 Turbines, 110kV substation and associated works within the townlands of Leitrim, Lumville, Ballinla, Clarkeville, Ballyfore Big, Ballyfore Little, Ballyeakin and Ballykilleen, in (Coolestown By) Co. Offaly

An Coimisiún Pleanála - Case reference: PAX19.323579

Dear Sir/Madam,

We wish to make the following objections against the above SID application for the following reasons outlined below and can confirm that my property is located as per the attached map.

At the outset we would like to confirm that we have not at any point had any communication with any representative of Statkraft and were not aware at all of the extent of this proposed wind farm until the past week or that it had advanced to a live application. Little to no information was provided from the developer and I had brief conversation with a representative and they told me someone would come back to explain more but they did not.

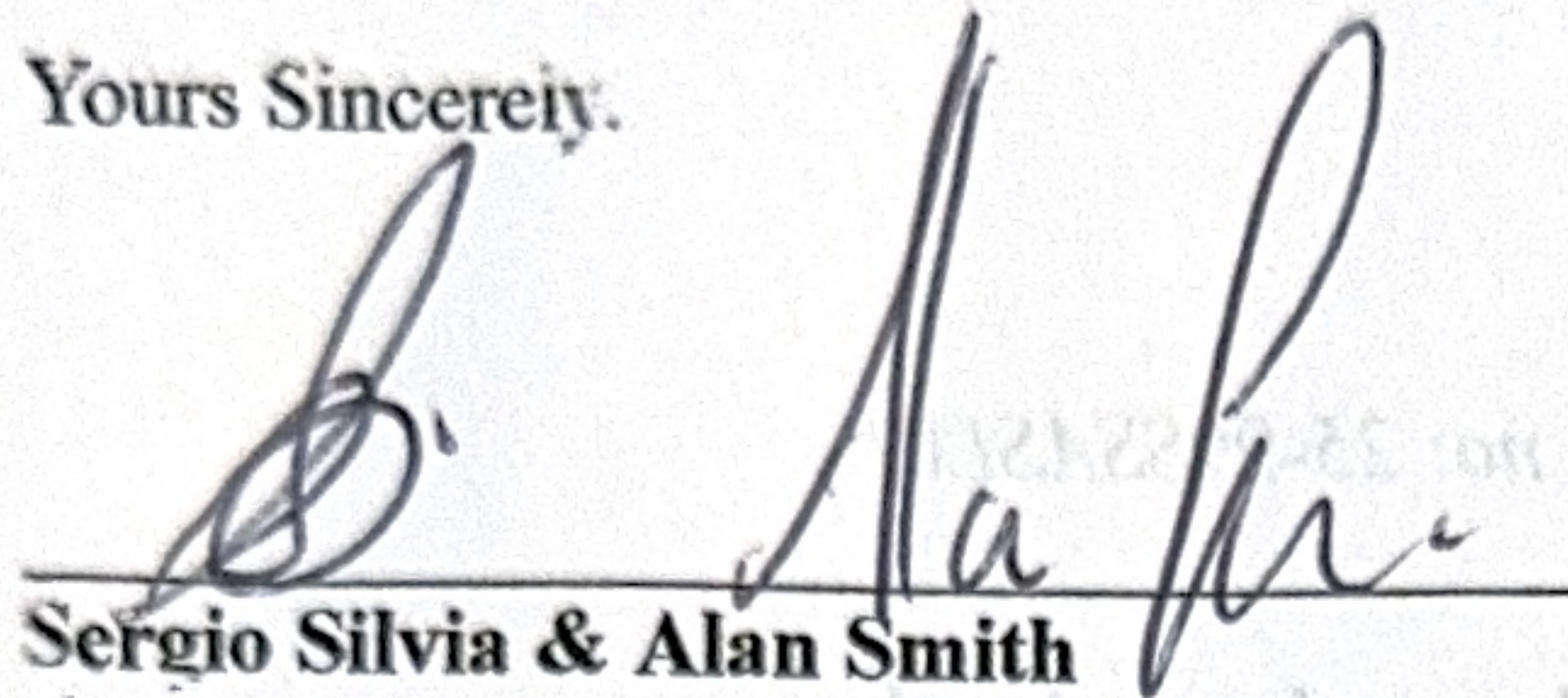
- Being only 1km from the nearest turbine we believe that flicker of sunlight will be a very significant problem for us and while we understand that turbines can be turned off to avoid such affects we can only rely on the hope that this would be done in the event that this development proceeds. There are 4 turbines spread across in front of our home, and this extends the flicker impact across a much wider area in addition to the sun setting behind our house. Furthermore, the red light at nighttime will be a very significant issue.
- At this proximity to the turbines we are also very concerned regarding noise affects and the cumulative noise affects of turbines in such close proximity to each other. In addition to this the prevailing winds will carry this noise towards us. We currently have 2 dogs, and both are very sensitive to noise.
- It seems inevitable that our current windows will have to be upgraded to triple glazing and this will of course incur further cost.
- The visual affects of such large turbines is simply a matter of fact and the utter proliferation of such large turbines in the immediately surrounding area is something that does not appear to exist elsewhere. We recognise the importance of green energy, but this area surely cannot be expected to carry far more than its fair share and to now be expected to carry even more of this share.

* Should we wish to have a family in the future and should they try to obtain Planning Permission in this area, this windfarm will greatly restrict the sites and areas available to them.

We are aware that there is cross community support against this development and we fully support the objection of our neighbour's including those with very significant health, equine and animal welfare concerns.

I truly believe there is nothing to recommend this application to me or the people of this area, and I call on An Comisiún Pleanála to refuse permission for this application for all of the reasons outlined above.

Yours Sincerely,



Sergio Silvia & Alan Smith

Lumville
Edenderry
Co. Offaly
R45 H392

Date: 23/10/2025

I wish to make the following objections against the above SII application for the following reasons outlined below and can confirm that my property is located as per the attached map.

At the outset I would like to confirm that we have not at any point had any communication with any representative of Stabroff and were not aware at all of the extent of this proposed wind farm until the past week or that it had advanced to a live application. Little to no information was provided from the developer and I had brief conversation with a representative and they told me someone would come back to explain more and they did not.

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* It seems inevitable that our current windows will have to be upgraded to triple glazing and the cost of this will be considerable.

* The visual effects of such large turbines is simply a matter of fact and the introduction of such large turbines in the immediately surrounding area is something that does not appear to exist elsewhere. We recognise the importance of green energy but this area surely cannot be expected to carry far more than the low level of noise and light pollution that is currently experienced.



Ballinla Wind Farm

2km Buffer outlined
Blue, 1km Buffer
outlined Magenta

Location of
dwelling house

Sergio Silva & Alan Walsh

Turbines

Substation

Site Entrance

TDR

1km Buffer

