## **SITE NOTICE**

## Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development County Limerick

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, we, Garrane Green Energy Limited, give notice of our intention to make an application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for permission for a period of 10 years, for development comprising the construction and operation of a wind farm and related works in the townlands of Ballynagoul, Creggane and Garrane, County Limerick.

The development is covered by the provisions of the Renewable Energy Directive III (Directive 2023/2413). The planning application is subject to section 37JA of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. When a notice issues in accordance with section 37JA(b), the provisions of article 216A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2025 shall apply.

The proposed development will consist of the following:

- Erection of 9 No. wind turbines with a tip height of 170m. The wind turbine will have a rotor diameter of 150m and a hub height of 95m.
- Upgrade of existing Access Tracks and construction of new permanent Access Tracks, permanent turbine hardstand areas and turbine foundations.
- Construction of two new bridge crossings on-site, one over the River Maigue and one over the Charleville Stream.
- Upgrade of existing site drainage network and installation of new site drainage.
- Wind Farm Internal Cabling connecting the wind turbines to the electrical substation.
- Construction of a permanent on-site AIS 110kV Substation, with a 'loop in' Grid Connection to the existing 110kV overhead line between Charleville and Killonan, including two single-storey control buildings with welfare facilities, all associated electrical plant and equipment, security fencing, gates, signage, all associated underground cabling, private well for water supply, wastewater holding tank, and all ancillary structures and works.
- Construction of a permanent double circuit 110kV underground cable and two steel cable interface masts to connect to the existing overhead line.
- Erection of a permanent 60m Meteorological Mast for monitoring wind speeds.
- Construction of a Temporary Construction Compound for use during construction.
- Upgrade of the existing entrance on the N20 (Site Entrance 1) (to be used for abnormal loads and turbine component delivery) and upgrade of an existing site entrance on the L1537 (Site Entrance 2) (to be used for all construction traffic except for abnormal loads and turbine component delivery).
- 6 No. temporary spoil storage areas and 1 No. permanent spoil storage area.
- Biodiversity enhancement and improvements associated with the Project.
- Landscaping, fencing and all associated ancillary works.

This application is seeking a ten-year permission and a 35 year operational period from the date of overall commissioning of the entire wind farm.

This application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) prepared in respect of the construction, operation and decommissioning of the proposed development and works to facilitate turbine delivery from the port of entry at the port of Foynes to the site entrance at Garrane via N69, N18, M20, N21 and N20 and from the port of entry at Galway Port to the site entrance at Garrane via Lough Atalia Road, College Road, R339, L5034, R336, N6, M6, M18, N18, M20, N21 and N20.

The planning application, EIAR and NIS may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2025 at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.
- The Offices of Limerick City & County Council, Limerick City and County Council, Dooradoyle Road, Dooradoyle, Limerick, V94 WV78.

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: <a href="www.garranegreenenergyplanning.ie">www.garranegreenenergyplanning.ie</a>.

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála ("the Commission") 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online on the Commission's website <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a> during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to: (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned; (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out, and (iii) the effects on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Commission **not later than 5.30 p.m. on 31**st **October 2025**. Such submissions/observations must also include the following information: (i) the name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent; (ii) the subject matter of the submission or observation, and (iii) the reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission.

The Commission may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application. (For further details please see 'A Guide to Public participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' on the Commission's website <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a>).

The Commission may in respect of an application for permission decide to: (a) (i) grant the permission, or (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or (iii) grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or (b) refuse to grant the permission.

A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Commission by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading "Information on cases / Weekly lists" – Judicial Review of planning decisions, on the Commission's website <a href="https://www.pleanala.ie">www.pleanala.ie</a> or on the Citizens Information Service website <a href="https://www.citizensinformation.ie">www.citizensinformation.ie</a>.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Tel. 01-8588100).

Signed

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Date of Erection of Site Notice

10<sup>th</sup> September 2025

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