

Observation on a  
Planning Appeal: Form.

Your details

				<b>Observer's details (person making the observation)</b> 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:	
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		(a)	Name	Niamh Costello	
		(b)	Address	Ballinagoul, Kilmallock, Co. Limerick. V35T279	

Agent's details

2.				<b>Agent's details</b> If you are an agent and are acting for someone else <b>on this observation</b> , please <b>also</b> write your details below. If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.	
		(a)	Agent's name	Click or tap here to enter text.	

		(b)	Agent's address	Click or tap here to enter text.	

Postal address for letters

		3.		<p><i>During the appeal process we will post information and items to you <b>or</b> to your agent. For this observation, who should we write to? (Please tick one box only.)</i></p>			
		<p><b>You (the observer) at the address in Part 1</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/> Yes		<p><b>The agent at the address in Part 2</b></p>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

Details about the proposed development

		4.		<p><i>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.</i></p>			
		(a)		<p><b>Planning authority</b> (for example: Ballytown City Council)</p>			

		Limerick City & County Council	
	(b)	<b>An Bord Pleanála appeal case number (if available)</b> (for example: ABP-300000-19) PAX91.323448	
	(c)	<b>Planning authority register reference number</b> (for example: 18/0123) 323448	
	(d)	<b>Location of proposed development</b> (for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile) Ballynagoul, Creggane & Garrane, Co. Limerick	

Observation details

	5.	<i>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.</i> Trees will be cut down which will substantially harm wildlife, hedgerows and destroy habitats. It	

destroy habitats. It will change our local landscape and community forever.

Planning restrictions mean no new homes can be built within a certain distance of a turbine, yet these turbines are permitted to be built beside our homes already in the vicinity.

Health and wellbeing effects on local residents - sleep disturbances, headaches, stress as well as possibly other unknown effects.

There is already regular winter flooding near the River Loobagh and Maigue and now we will be concerned about more severe flooding on the surrounding farmlands due to the wind farms construction in a Floodzone A - there is already 25 acres of flooding during heavy rainfall. Also the flood risk to the N20 road hasn't been taken into

account properly.

We will see devaluation of properties in the area. One University of Galway study suggested a 15% drop in house value within 1km of the wind farm.

Construction traffic going through an already busy town of Charleville. In the last few years there have been a number of fatalities due to articulated lorries passing through the town. There will also be an increase of lorries (up to 8000 lorries for a period of up to 18 months) through the small village of Bruree which will increase risks for pedestrians and cyclists. The small local roads will not be able to put up with this amount of traffic.

The first decisions were made on this wind farm in 2021 and yet the community consultations only started in 2025 - showing little respect for

		<p>community values and thoughts.</p> <p>Huge ecological threat to Annex 1 and red and amber listed birds at Charleville Lagoons. Also recently discovered archeological monuments have not been taken into account.</p> <p>I have lived in Ballinagoul for most of my life. Some of my fondest earliest memories are of seeing the nature all around us in the ducks, swans, herons, and geese flying overhead towards the Charleville lagoons. I am deeply concerned about the impact the turbines will have on these birds, given that it will be directly in their flight path, particularly those who fly from the north east (ie. lough gur)</p>	

Supporting materials

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#### Fee

	7.	<p><i>You <b>must</b> make sure that the correct <u>fee</u> is included with your observation. You can find out the correct fee to include in our <u>Fees and Charges Guide</u> on our website.</i></p>	