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Re: Objection to Proposed Wind Farm Development in Shancloon/Caherlistrane
Case Ref 323699

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to strongly object to the proposed wind farm near our home at Curlawn, Caherlistrane. I live within 1km from the proposed site. I have lived here for many many years, and this is my home where I raised my family. I am deeply concerned about what this project will mean for our health, our families, and the land we have always cared for.

1. Impact on My Health and Peace of Mind

I am a cancer patient and suffered a heart attack four years ago. My health is fragile, and I depend on the peace and quiet of this area for rest and recovery. The idea of large turbines being built so close to my home fills me with worry and anxiety.

The noise, vibration, and constant flicker from the blades would make it very difficult for me to live here in peace. The stress alone is already affecting me, even before they have been built. This is not the life I had hoped for in my later years.

2. Our Land, Our Family, and the Future of Our Grandchildren

Our family has lived here for generations, and we have always tried to protect the land and nature around us. Behind our homes is a bog and wetland area that floods regularly and is home to many animals and birds. It should be protected, not dug up and filled with concrete.

I also worry deeply about what this means for my grandchildren's future. They should have the right to live and build homes on the family land if they wish, but wind farms take that away. It's already been seen elsewhere — like in Tipperary — where a wind farm company objected to a woman trying to build on her own property. The thought of that happening to my grandchildren is very upsetting.

This project could make it impossible for them to ever build near home, and it could even affect their chances of getting a mortgage in the future. Families like ours should not be punished for wanting to stay in their own community.

3. Conduct of the Wind Farm Company (RWE)

I am very disappointed and upset by the way RWE have behaved since they came to this area. From the beginning, they have not treated people fairly or honestly.

They have used bullying and pressure tactics on neighbours — calling to people at all hours, trying to persuade them to sign up, and giving out false or misleading information. They have turned good friends and neighbours against each other and caused nothing but stress and worry in our community.

No one should be made to feel pressured or bullied in their own home. The way they have behaved shows a complete lack of respect for local families.

4. Conclusion

I have lived here all my life and love this place dearly. It breaks my heart to think of what will happen if this wind farm goes ahead. It will destroy the peace and quiet that our families need, damage the bog and wetland that have been part of this land for generations, and affect the futures of our children and grandchildren.

Please take into account the serious impact this will have on our health, our homes, and our community, and refuse permission for this development.

Thank you for your time and understanding.

Yours sincerely,

Ann Gallagher