

## **Submission / Observation to An Bord Pleanála**

**Re:** Observation on *Shancloon Wind Farm*

**ABP Case Reference:** 323699

**From:**

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**Date:** 6 November 2025

**Subject:** Objection to the proposed Shancloon Wind Farm development

Dear Sir / Madam,

I wish to object in the strongest possible terms to the proposed Shancloon Wind Farm (ABP Ref. 323699) which is located less than 3 kilometres from my family home and working farm in Caherlistrane, Co. Galway.

My reasons and grounds for objection are as follows:

### **1. Visual and Landscape Impact**

The proposed turbines will dominate and industrialise what is currently a rural agricultural landscape. Their scale and visual intrusion would fundamentally alter the scenic character of the area and be visible from my home and farm buildings. This impact would be entirely inconsistent with the rural amenity and natural beauty that defines our locality.

### **2. Noise Pollution**

The proximity of the turbines raises serious concerns regarding both audible and low-frequency noise. These effects can cause significant disturbance to residents, especially at night, and would also negatively impact the quiet rural environment that my family and livestock depend on.

### **3. Shadow Flicker and Residential Amenity**

The potential for shadow flicker from turbine blades, particularly during sunrise and sunset periods, presents an unacceptable intrusion on residential amenity and daily life for those living within the 3 km zone of influence.

### **4. Depreciation of Property Values**

Numerous studies indicate that large-scale wind energy developments can devalue nearby housing and farmland. The introduction of turbines of this scale would directly reduce the attractiveness and market value of local homes and holdings.

### **5. Cumulative Impact and Inadequate Separation**

When combined with existing or approved wind energy projects in the wider region, the cumulative landscape and environmental impact would be excessive. The separation distance proposed is insufficient to protect residents from noise, flicker, and visual dominance.

### **Conclusion**

For these reasons, I respectfully request that An Bord Pleanála **refuse permission** for the Shancloon Wind Farm development. It would have an unacceptable impact on the local community, landscape, and residential amenity of the Caherlistrane area.

Thank you for considering my submission.

Yours sincerely,

**Kevin Moran**

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