

Rathcannon,
Athlaca,
Kilmallock,
Co. Limerick.
V35 NN93
15th November, 2025

The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,
D01 V902.

Case Reference: PAX91.323780

Re: 10 year planning permission for Ballinlee Wind Farm consisting of 17 no. wind turbines, a permanent 110kv substation, underground electric cabling systems between the wind farm site and connection point at existing Killonan 220/110kv substation, and ancillary development. Located in Ballincurra, Ballingayrou, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane and other town lands in County Limerick.

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I, Alice Reynolds, write in connection with the above listed planning application at Ballincurra, Ballingayrou, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane and other townlands in County Limerick.

Some of my summarised observations and concerns are as follows:

1. Risk of Shadow Flicker and Light Reflection Startling Horses

Shadow flicker caused by turbine blades can create rapid, intermittent changes in light patterns. Horses are **animals with heightened sensitivity to sudden visual stimuli**, and flicker is known to cause spooking and bolting and also horses may refuse to pass certain areas. This in turn would put the rider at risk of serious injury or death. Also, when riding on passageways or roadways, horses could get loose from their rider or handler and cross busy roads, run through fences and could cause a major accident due to the constant noise and shadow flicker generated by the wind turbines. The wind turbines would cast flicker directly onto grazing areas, paddocks, and riding arenas on my farm, creating **serious safety concerns** for both horses and handlers. The area I reside in has a high density of young bloodstock, including my own, young thoroughbreds.

The stress from the noise and shadow flicker can cause in foal mares to abort pregnancies, as they are extremely sensitive to shadow and noise. I am deeply concerned as horses require to be in a set routine, and this sudden noise and flicker would extremely alter a horse's day to day stress free routine and this in turn would greatly effect my livelihood, due to veterinary costs and the financial loss of the foal and possibly the mare.

2. I am also very concerned about our beautiful view which will be totally affected. The turbines will be visible from my kitchen window and my garden. Both me and my family walk this road daily, because of its beautiful surroundings. It will have a huge impact on my family if this beautiful scenery, in the heart of the Golden Vale, is decimated.

3. Impact on Property Value and Rural Settlement.

The proximity of these large wind turbines is widely associated with reduced property values and lowered aesthetic value of rural areas for residential settlement. This development would discourage future rural housing and risk population decline, contrary to the County Development Plan's rural sustainability objectives.

4. My other great concern is that if my son or other family members want to build on our property, that planning permission would be refused, due to the close proximity of the wind turbines. I am also very concerned about this.

For all the above mentioned reasons, I strongly urge that this development be rejected in its entirety.

Kind regards,



Alice Reynolds