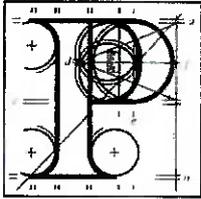


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Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

Observer's details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

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:

(a) Observer's
name

Click or tap here to enter text.

Annemarie and Tommy Brady

(b) Observer's
postal address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Crean, Athlacca, Co. Limerick V35RH79

Agent's details

2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else on this observation, please also write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

N/A

(b) Agent's postal
address

Click or tap here to enter text.

N/A

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Bord Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**
(for example: 300000)

PAX91.323780

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

PAX91.323780 located in Ballincurra, Ballingayrou, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane and other townlands in County Limerick.
(www.ballinleegreenenergyplanning.ie)

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Ballincurra, Ballingayrou, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane Co. Limerick

Observation details

5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is no word limit as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

To whom it may concern,

We wish to express our concerns regarding the proposed wind turbine development affecting the townlands listed above.

Our home and horticultural business are located at V35 RH79, less than 2 km from the turbines proposed in South Camas. We have lived and worked here for almost 30 years in a quiet rural setting. The proposed borrow pit is situated on a floodplain connected to the groundwater system that supplies our private well. We rely entirely on this well for our home and horticultural enterprise, and we are concerned about the potential impacts of excavation, sediment mobilisation, and pollution on both water quality and yield.

Construction activity in this area, including heavy traffic, dust, vibration, and ground disturbance, poses risks to our living environment and to the viability of our horticultural operations. Dust deposition on crops, disruption to soil and groundwater flows, and disturbance from machinery are all issues that could affect our daily life and business.

We found it extremely difficult to interpret the developer's online mapping and noise contour documents. The low resolution and inability to zoom or clearly identify homes made it nearly impossible to determine how much our home may be affected. We have had to rely on members of the local community to keep us informed and help understand the potential implications, as the available documentation was not accessible in a practical sense.

We also note the regular presence of significant wildlife around our home, including native red squirrels, which visit my garden, as well as owls, bats, and raptors. These species use the surrounding hedgerows and treelines, which form vital ecological corridors.

Additionally, we were unable to determine whether our home was on the Noise Sensitive Locations list, despite being clearly within the development area and visible on the noise contour map. This difficulty in deciphering what presents as

5. Grounds

complex technical terminology has further hindered any accessibility in terms of ascertaining how construction and operation may affect our home.

In summary, we are concerned about the potential impacts on our private well, the disruption to our horticultural business, the effect on local wildlife, and the difficulty in assessing the implications of this development on our home due to the poor quality of publicly available information.

As we submit this letter, large tracts of land within the proposed development site remain underwater following the numerous breaches of the Morning Star river over the period of 13th/14th November – we can only envisage that building on a floodplain will serve to exacerbate future flooding episodes.

Yours sincerely,
Annemarie and Tommy Brady

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office. You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Board to hold an oral hearing, please tick the "Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing" box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on our [website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the "No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing" box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using the online uploader facility, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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