

**The Secretary,  
An Coimisiun Pleanala  
64 Marlborough Street,  
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Case Reference: PAX91.323780**

**16<sup>th</sup> November 2025**

**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 townlands in County Limerick.**

**OBJECTION TO BALLINLEE WIND FARM  
FORMAL SUBMISSION TO AN COIMISIUN PLEANALA Re. PAX91.323780  
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I, Brigid Hayes, formally object to the development proposed above. My area in County Limerick is being pestered by opportunistic developers asking us to sign up to Windfarm development on our premises. This harassment has been going on now for more than two years, motivated in part by the contestable map designating "preferred area for wind energy development" attached to the Limerick City and County Council Development Plan 2022-2028 an explanation for which was provided by its Mayor (see attached).

Motivated also by greed: private developers seeking to get planning permission without the necessary track record of bringing these plans to fruition, and, in my opinion, willing to sell the development with planning permission to the highest bidder, carbon credits going with it, no guarantee of benefit to national policy or national climate action input. Instead, this is an example of consumerism and irresponsible economic development with environmental degradation criticized in Laudato Si (**encyclical of Pope Francis, "on care for our common home".**)

This development fails to effectively safeguard the health of humans, animals, plants, and the environment and does not contribute to sustainable development.

Management and risk mitigation do not inspire confidence.

No regard for archaeology, tourism potential, or communities.

#### Conclusion

Policy makers and decision makers should engage with communities to raise awareness of the benefits of initiatives for local actions which would help to combat the challenges posed by Climate change – this type of industrial action disincentives communities, when communication, coordination, and capacity building would be more effective.

I would respectfully request the Board to reject this application and to urge our government to promote positive actions that fairly balance the health of humans, animals, plants and environment with sustainable actions to mitigate the damage to our ecosystem.

Brigid Hayes