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The Secretary,
An Coimisiún Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,
D01 V902
Case reference: PAX91.323780

Date: 8/11/25

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, Ballingayroure, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane and other townlands in County Limerick.

To Whom It May Concern,

I/We DEBORAH + MARTIN BEGLEY write in connection with the above listed planning application at Ballincurra, Ballingayroure, Ballinlee North & South, Ballinrea, Ballyreesode, Camas North & South, Carrigeen, Knockuregare, Ballybane and other townlands in County Limerick.

We recognise the importance of wind energy in meeting Ireland's National renewable energy targets and addressing climate change. However, this development is unsuitable for this location and fails to take proper account of the environmental, social, and cultural impacts on the local area.

This wind farm would permanently alter the rural character of the area and expose nearby residents to health and amenity risks, devalue local properties, and threaten the long-term sustainability of our community. For these reasons, I/we ask that the Board refuse planning permission.

Some of my/our summarised individual observations and concerns are as follows:

- ① HEALTH IMPLICATIONS: I, DEBORAH BEGLEY SUFFER FROM ANEMDMENDPHOBIA, A PHOBIA OF WIND TURBINES RECOGNISED BY THE EUROPEAN WIND ENERGY ASSOCIATION. WE ARE EXTREMELY CONCERNED ABOUT NOISE FROM THE TURBINES AND SHADOW FLICKER.

① VISUAL IMPACT - WE WILL SEE ALL THE TURBINES. WE ARE VERY DISTRESSED ABOUT THIS THE HERITAGE OF OUR LANDSCAPE WILL BE DESTROYED.

② TOURISM. OUR PERSONAL LIVELIHOOD WILL BE SEVERELY AFFECTED BY THE PROPOSED INDUSTRIAL WIND TURBINE FARM. WE HAVE AN OPEN GARDEN TOURIST ATTRACTION AND HAVE BEEN WELCOMING VISITORS + TOURISTS FOR THE PAST 25 YEARS. WE ARE LISTED IN THE TOP TWO GARDENS TO VISIT IN IRELAND ON TRIPADVISOR AND THE NUMBER TWO ATTRACTION IN LIMERICK. THE FAIRY FORT BEHIND OUR GARDEN IS A HUGE ATTRACTION TO FOREIGN VISITORS AND THIS WILL BE DESTROYED WHEN IT IS SURROUNDED BY INDUSTRIAL SIZE TURBINES. WE ARE ALSO VERY CONCERNED ABOUT ROAD ACCESS TO OUR BUSINESS BY COACHES AND THE THOUSANDS OF CARS THAT TRAVEL ON THE ROAD TO VISIT US EACH YEAR. THIS WILL HAVE A KNOCK ON EFFECT TO OTHER BUSINESSES, ATTRACTIONS, HOSPITALITY, RETAIL ETC IF PEOPLE CAN'T ACCESS OUR ROAD OR CHOOSE TO STOP VISITING OUR GARDEN, TERRA NOVA GARDEN. OUR GARDEN IS 1KM FROM THE NEAREST TURBINE

I / we strongly urge that this development be rejected for the reasons outlined above.

Thank you for considering this submission.

Kind Regards,

Deborah Begley

Phone (optional)

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④ BIODIVERSITY. THE LAND BEHIND US IS WETLAND AND IS HABITAT TO MUCH WILDLIFE SUCH AS SNIPES + CURLEWS. WE HAVE HAD BARN OWLS VISITING OUR GARDEN + WE FEED A FAMILY OF FOXES DAILY FOR THE PAST SEVEN YEARS. THERE ARE BATS + BIRD OF PREY SUCH AS KESTRELS + BUZZARDS ALSO GREY HERONS. WE ARE VERY CONCERNED ABOUT THE DESTRUCTION OF THIS PRECIOUS HABITAT FOR ALL THE BIRDS EIP THE MIGRATORY BIRD SUCH AS WHOOPER SWANS

⑤ ABSOLUTE LACK OF COMMUNICATION FROM GREENSOURCE. WE ONLY FOUND OUT ABOUT THIS THROUGH LOCAL HEARSAY DURING THE SUMMER OF 2025.