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The Secretary,
An Coimisiún Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
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Case reference: PAX91.323780

Date:

Re: 10-year planning permission for Ballinlee Wind Farm consisting of 17 no. wind turbines, a permanent 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.

I wish to respectfully object for the following reasons:

I have lived in the area all my life. It is a sense of peace and tranquillity. Life is so busy, and I work in a high-pressure job. I work shift hours. I would sleep during the day and I would be afraid that my sleep would be disturbed from this. I also work from home as well on occasion. This will impact of quality of living, my right to rest, my right to peace in my house and it could also alter the volunteer work I do with Limerick Treaty Suicide Prevention. I look

forward to coming home to peace and quiet with no shadow flicker and noise. These will directly affect my health and wellbeing. The EIAR does not provide receptor specific noise assessments or consider the WHO Environmental noise guidelines. I volunteer in a mental health charity Limerick Treaty Suicide Prevention and after dealing with vulnerable and distressed people and after possibly pulling people from the River Shannon, coming home to as I see it a little peace of heaven (which is my home). This could be designated by the proposed development and could be detrimental to my own mental health.

The EIAR treats human health mainly as physical exposure and omits psychological wellbeing, despite WHO 2018 guidance linking environmental noise to sleep disturbance. Annoyance and reduced quality of life. No assessment of long-term mental health impacts from visual intrusion, flicker or noise has been provided.

I have had a fabulous childhood growing up in the area and I have many happy memories of walking around the fields seeing all the wildlife which include the barn owl, mink, badger, foxes, stoats, hedgehogs, bat, hooper swans, the kestrel, the cuckoo, the field voles, swallows, the sterling's, the swifts, the frogs the pheasants. I believe the EIAR fails to assess the huge range of wildlife we have, the risk of wildlife Wipeout locally is high with the proposal of these large wind turbines. The EIAR omits winter surveys and fails to assess whooper swans that are regularly overserved in my area. This breaches obligations under the EU birds and Habitat directives.

I have a private well on my land. The EIAR does not have well mapping included in their report. Excavation for turbines foundations and the 110kV cable may alter groundwater flow, affecting wells and field drainage. Under EPA guidance, baseline well testing, and protection measures are required before consent.

I wish to also object to this proposed development as it is stated that there will be traffic impacts. The EIAR fails to assess the peak times that schools, GAA and local farm use will already be on the road. The roads in my area are narrow and they are not suitable for high powered HGVs that weigh a considerable tonne. This may directly danger residents who also walk on my roads, including myself.

The land which as I mentioned has been a sense of peace and tranquillity is in danger of losing its landscape and visual views which I have grown up viewing.

As can be seen from the below photos the flooding that has occurred in the last week November 13th 2025. This is 2 km from the proposed turbine site. The river, which is well documented by the Office of Public Works, and with the evidence which I have clearly documented with the below photos, can further indicate how detrimental this wind farm will be in our area. Not only will it create psychological danger to one's health it will also increase danger to the physical health to the local patrons. The flooding impacts the local residents to the point that it enters private property and can cause untold damage. For instance, a local elderly resident (lives across the road from me) has always suffered with this flooding and is now certain that the wind farm will see the very strong possibility of her home being permanently destroyed. This is due to the fact the Office of Public Works will not or may not be able to dredge the river as sufficiently as they once could.

My house can be seen in the last of the photos and how close the flooding is to it.











