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

Date: 18th November 2025

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

To Whom It May Concern,

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

I wish to object strongly to this proposal and ask that the Board refuse planning permission.

Some of my summarised observations and concerns are as follows:

I wish to lodge my strong objection to the proposed Ballinlee Windfarm. My concerns relate not only to the impact on my own home—which is located within 2 km of several turbines and has been formally identified as a noise receptor—but also to the far more serious consequences this development will have for my son, my daughter-in-law, and my two young grandchildren who live even closer to the proposed turbine cluster.

1. Concern for My Son, Daughter-in-Law and Grandchildren

The greatest fear I have relates to the future health, wellbeing, and safety of my young grandchildren. They will be growing up beside 17 industrial-scale wind turbines, producing constant movement, noise, and shadow flicker.

2. A Lifetime of Exposure

My grandchildren will be exposed to operational noise, low-frequency vibration, shadow flicker, and construction disturbance every day throughout their childhood. These impacts accumulate and can affect sleep, development, and wellbeing.

3. Impact on My Own Home – Identified as a Noise Receptor

My own home lies within 2 km of the proposed turbines and has been explicitly designated as a noise receptor. The developer acknowledges turbine noise will reach my home.

4. Family Stress and Community Distress

This proposal has caused immense emotional strain within our family. My son and daughter-in-law are trying to raise two small children while facing stress, uncertainty, and fear created by this development.

5. Loss of Amenity and Rural Character

We chose this area for its tranquility, clean air, wildlife, and rural peace. The arrival of 17 turbines will permanently alter the landscape and destroy the character that defines this community.

6. Intergenerational Impact and Home Value

My son and daughter-in-law rely on the value of their home for their children's future. A windfarm of this scale threatens property value and family stability.

7. Inadequacy of Consultation

The consultation process did not properly involve affected families or acknowledge impacts on children.

Conclusion

As a parent and grandparent, I cannot accept a development that places three generations of my family at risk. I urge the planning authority to refuse permission for the Ballinlee Windfarm.

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

I request that for an Oral Hearing in relation to this wind farm application, for the reasons outlined above. In particular the proximity and impact this will have on Lough Gur, an architectural and archaeological site of international importance, and the impact on our Golden Vale's High Value Landscape. Furthermore the scale of the project and the pattern of population distribution which will have widespread impact on our local community.

Kind Regards,

Name: Mary and Francis Moloney