

Re: Objection to Ballinlee Wind Farm: Case reference: PAX91.323780

Appeal No:323780

**Niall & Patricia Brosnan,
Sonas, Garbally, Bruff, Co.Limerick. V35Y002**

17/11/2025

To Whom it May Concern,

We, Niall and Patricia Brosnan together with our children Grace, Emily and Ciarán respectfully wish to lodge an objection to the proposed wind turbine development at Balinelee, Bruff Co. Limerick. Worryingly our home is less than 2 kilometres from many of the proposed Wind Turbine Locations, including but not limited to:

- T15: 1273 metres
- T5:1313.5 metres
- T14: 1433.6 metres
- T4:1636.9 metres

From the outset, we must acknowledge that while we understand the importance of renewable energy and we support it in principle, we feel that this project compromises and poses serious risks to the health, safety, and wellbeing of ourselves, our family, neighbours and friends.

We would therefore like the following concerns to be to be considered as part of the assessment process, recorded and most importantly addressed:

1. The applicant claims to have engaged in “meaningful and transparent community engagement” however at no stage were the undersigned contacted by Greensource. We did not receive any documentation or letters to advise us of the proposed development. No public meetings held were held in Bruff for us to meet with the applicant to discuss our concerns.
2. The applicant has not provided any information on how they have adequately assessed for the health risks associated with Shadow Flickering. The position of the HSE is that Shadow Flicker should be fully eliminated to safeguard human health. Given that our home falls within the catchment area of the proposed site, where the greatest impact of shadow flicker is projected, this presents a serious risk to our household. The strobing effect created by turbine blades may cause repeated, unpredictable visual disturbance. It is known to cause headaches,

stress, nausea and dizziness, which can cause an increase in anxiety in children. This will likely pose a significant disturbance to our family life.

3. As a family we are very distressed and concerned about the impact of the noise associated with wind turbines. Again, the applicant has not provided any evidence of assessing the risks associated with this. The frequency level of sound is difficult to conceal indoors, especially at night. We are concerned about the impact this noise will have on our household, especially our children. Disturbed sleep due to consistent noise, has been shown to affect mood, concentration, and overall wellbeing. We are worried that these turbines, situated near our home, will introduce avoidable and ongoing disturbance to our family.
4. The towering presence of these turbines could significantly alter the visual landscape, disrupting the natural scenery. Their height and movement will dominate sightlines, overshadowing local landmarks and green spaces.
5. Combined the health, social and visual impact will reduce the desirability of local properties, resulting in a measurable decline in market value of our house and impact financial security for our children.

Given the detrimental health, environmental, and social impacts outlined above, we strongly urge An Coimisiún Pleanála to refuse permission for this development.

Yours sincerely

Niall and Patricia Brosnan