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**To:** An Coimisiún Pleanála  
**Re:** Objection to the Proposed Ballinlee Wind Farm  
**Applicant:** Ballinlee Green Energy

**Location:** Dromin/Athlacca /Bruff and surrounding townlands, Co. Limerick  
**Planning Reference:** PAX91.323780

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I wish to lodge a formal objection to the proposed Balinlee Wind Farm. Please find enclosed €50 fee in relation to this submission.

My name is Patrick Scanlan and I am 83 years old. I was born and reared and have lived at Raymondstown, Dromin all my life. My family has deep roots in this community, and my children and grandchildren live close by.

The proposed development would fundamentally alter the character, peace, and safety of this rural area which has always been quiet, scenic, and community based. I am very concerned that the scale and proximity of this industrial development will have on the area. I feel the area is entirely unsuitable for such a project.

I would like to outline my reasons for objection:

One of the proposed turbines is located approximately 300 metres from my property boundary and approximately 700m from the curtilage of my home. This distance is far below what could reasonably be considered safe or appropriate given my age and health, and the long-standing residential use of my home.

The potential for noise disturbance is of serious concern. Even small levels of continuous noise from the turbines can cause sleep disruption, stress, and reduced quality of life, particularly for older people.

I am also concerned about shadow flicker, which could occur at certain times of the day and year and that residents so close to the turbines will experience ongoing disturbance.

I am also very concerned about the effect this development would have on local wildlife. The area supports many birds and other protected species whose habitats would be disturbed or lost.

The Dromin area is rural, quiet, and primarily residential and agricultural in nature. The introduction of large-scale turbines, access roads, and associated infrastructure will permanently alter the character of the area.

At my age, I have seen many changes, but nothing as intrusive or industrial as what is now proposed. The development would visually dominate the skyline and destroy the rural setting that has defined this community for generations.

I fear for the health and wellbeing of my children and grandchildren who live nearby and play outside regularly. Turbine noise, flicker, and the presence of heavy construction traffic pose a real risk to their quality of life and safety.

I own my ancestral home, a thatched cottage built circa 1800 and this house is on the Record of Protected Structures and the National Inventory of Architectural Heritage. I proudly upkeep the house and I have to abide by strict regulations in this regard. I have serious concerns about the proximity of the turbines to the cottage and the impact on it. Will I be able to carry out works in the future? Would planning be granted for alterations? Will the proposed construction activity, drilling and blasting impact the mud structure built in the 1800's.

At this stage of my life, I should be able to enjoy peace and quiet in my home, not worry. Both my wife and I in recent years have suffered various health problems and the proposed development is of grave concern to us both.

The proposed development is unsuitable for the area and is too close to existing dwellings.

For all the reasons above, I strongly object to the granting of permission for the Ballinlee Wind Farm. I believe the proposed development would cause unacceptable harm to my home and farm including loss of value, my family's wellbeing, and to the rural character of our area.

I respectfully request that An Coimisiún Pleanála refuse permission for this development.

Thank you for taking the time to review this submission.

Signed: *Patrick Scallan* -