

To whom it may concerns,

I, Siobhan Keenaghan,

Ballinlee Bruff Co. Limerick V35VW65 write in connection re 10-year planning permission for Ballinlee Wind Farm consisting of 17 x wind turbines.

Case number: 323780,

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

They will affect local wildlife, our natural environment and our health and wellbeing. It causes constant noise which will disturb sleep. The flicker also effects will have an impact on our health. Our area is known for its quiet, rural character. The turbines will fundamentally change this. I worry that the turbines will reduce the value of my home and make it harder to sell, effectively leaving my family stuck in a wind prison. The water table is very high in our area, thus drainage being an issue. Therefore, this huge construction of concrete with 17 turbines will impact drainage further. The turbines will visually intrude on the landscape and diminish its cultural value. We live close to Lough Gur and Grange Stone Circle, both internationally important heritage sites and tourist destinations with over 100,000 visitors last year. I live within two kilometres of the site and regularly walk in the area to unwind and connect with nature. I'm also concerned about the impact on whooper swans and other birds that frequent the nearby wetlands.

I respectfully request that An Bord Pleanála refuse permission or require substantial further information to address these deficiencies.

Kind regards,

Siobhan Keenaghan.