

Planning and Development Act 2000, As Amended
Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála
Strategic Infrastructure Development
Waterford City and County Council
SITE NOTICE

In accordance with Section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, we, FuturEnergy Scart Mountain Designated Activity Company, intend to apply to An Coimisiún Pleanála for approval for development at this site: across the townlands of Ballykerin Middle, Ballymacmague North, Carrigaun (Hely), Carrowgarraiff Beg, Carrowgarraiff More, Churchquarter, Colligan More, Colliganmountain, Colliganwood, Coolroe, Glen Lower, Glen Upper, Graigue Beg, Graigue More, Inchindrisla, Inchindrislawood, Killadangan, Lisroe, Newtown, Parkmore, Scart (Hely), Scart (Sergeant), Scartmountain, Staigbraud, and Vicarstown South, Co. Waterford.

The development subject of this application forms the grid connection which will facilitate the connection of the proposed Scart Mountain Wind Farm (ABP Ref. 321522) to the existing electricity transmission system.

The development will consist of:

- All works associated with the connection of the proposed wind farm (ABP Ref. 321522) to the national electricity grid, which will be via a permanent tail fed 110 kV underground cable connection (approximately 15.5 km cable length of which approximately 13.3 km will be in the public road corridor) to the existing 110 kV Dungarvan Substation in the townland of Killadangan, Co. Waterford;
- 4 no. watercourse crossings on the grid connection route (of which 3 no. are classed as river crossings, and 1 no. is a smaller stream crossing);
- 22 no. joint bays and communication chambers along the route;
- All associated underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to the proposed wind farm substation;
- All related site works and ancillary development including landscaping, and soil excavation, and;
- All other associated site development plant and equipment and other works including surface water and foul wastewater drainage.

This application, and the wind farm application (ABP Ref. 321522) are functionally interdependent and constitute a single project. The wind farm application proposes the erection of 15 no. wind turbines, the construction of 1 no. permanent 110kV electrical substation, permanent construction of 11.9 km new internal site access roads, the erection of a meteorological mast of 11 metres and other associated works.

The proposed wind farm and related works are located within the townlands of Coolagortboy, Crinnaghtaun West, Feddaun, Glennafallia, Knockboy, Knocknafrehane, Knocknanask, Knocknasheega, Lackenrea, Moneygorm, Moneygorm East, Scartmountain, Toor, and Tooranaraheen, Co. Waterford.

Both applications are accompanied by one Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS), which pertain to the overall project.

The planning application, the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), and the Natura Impact Statement (NIS) may be inspected free of charge, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, during public opening hours **for a period of 7 weeks commencing 3rd October 2025** at the offices of:

- **An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 (D01 V902)**
- **Waterford City and County Council, City Hall, The Mall, Waterford, X91 PK15**

The planning application may also be viewed on the following website: www.scartmountaingridplanning.ie

Submissions or observations may be made in writing to An Coimisiún Pleanála ('the Commission') 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902, or online at www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations, during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to - (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development, and (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and (iii) the likely significant effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Commission not later than 5.30 p.m. on the **21st November 2025**.

Such submissions / observations must also include the following information: • The name of the person making the submission/observation, the name of the person acting on his/her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent; • The subject matter of the submission/observation; and • The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full.

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission. The Commission may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application. (For further details see 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' on the Commission's website www.pleanala.ie).

The Commission may in respect of an application for permission/ approval decide to- (a) (i) grant the permission/approval, or (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission/approval in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or (iii) grant permission/approval in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or (b) refuse to grant the permission/approval.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Tel. 01- 8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Commission by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S. I. No.15 of 1986, as amended), in accordance with section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading Information on cases / Weekly lists - Judicial review of planning decisions on the Commission's website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie.

SIGNED: 

NAME AND ADDRESS OF SIGNATORY: JOHN STAUNTON, C/O TOBIN, BLOCK 10-4, BLANCHARDSTOWN CORPORATE PARK, DUBLIN 15 (Agent acting on behalf of Applicant, Futureenergy Scart Mountain Designated Activity Company)

DATE OF ERECTION OF SITE NOTICE: 2nd October 2025