



Observation on a Strategic Infrastructure Development Application

Observer's details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

(a) Observer's
name

Shirley Maher

(b) Observer's
postal address

Inchacooley, Monasterevin, Co. Kildare W34 YY23

Agent's details

2. Agent's details (if applicable)

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's postal
address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

The agent at the postal address in Part 2

Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Coimisiún Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**

(for example: 300000)

PAX09.324055

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Dara Energies Wind Turbines

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Click or tap here to enter text. Inchacooley, Derrylea, Coolnaferagh

Observation details

5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word** limit as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

- Flood Plains – My foremost complaint is that the proposed site lies on designated flood plains. This development of such a large infrastructure and associated works will inevitably alter the natural drainage and water retention capacity of the land, increasing the risk of flooding for surrounding properties including my home. My property and surrounding areas already experience flooding each year after heavy rainfall. This proposed development threatens to only worsen this situation each year.
- Road Closures – I strongly object to the proposed development and the road closures it will involve. I travel the road SIX times per day for my children and their school drop offs. What should be a 10 minute journey and home will take significantly longer causing undue stress to everyone including me and my children. Not to mention extra mileage and wear and tear on my car and the cost of Diesel at present will just not be viable.
- Noise – Wind Turbines are known to have loud noise and vibration and also known to seriously devalue properties. This not only affects my property but also my children's futures who may wish to build on this land. Local families like mine will lose the ability to develop in this area.
- Construction Traffic – This area is very rural and mostly very narrow roads. They are not designed to accommodate such large scale

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traffic. As it is if you meet a big truck or tractor it's very narrow so to have such excessive and large amount of traffic and large scale Machinery would be very unfair for the local people. It would destroy our local roads and

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office.

You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.
- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Coimisiún to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:

- the case number and your name, or
- the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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| Initials | | Initials | |
| Date | | Date | |

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