

Supplementary information to accompany an application accompanied by an opinion on flexibility

1. Prospective Applicant	
Name:	Cahermurphy Renewables Designated Activity Company

2. Contact details of person authorised to operate on behalf of the Prospective Applicant (Applicant or Agent): (Not for Public release)	
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3. Proposed Development	
Address of the proposed development:	The site is located in the townlands of Cahermurphy, Carrowmagry South, Castlepark, Caheraghacullin, Doolough, Drummin, Kilmihil, Knockalough, Knocknahila More South, Co. Clare.

Description of the proposed development:

The proposed development will comprise:

- i. Construction of 8 no. wind turbines with a blade tip height range from 180m to 185m inclusive, a hub height range from 98.5m to 110.5m inclusive and a rotor diameter range from 149m to 163m inclusive with associated foundations, hard-standing and assembly areas;
- ii. Construction of 1 no. permanent 110 kV electrical substation including 2 no. control buildings lightening protection, welfare facilities, car parking, and all associated electrical plant and apparatus, security fencing, external lighting, underground cabling, wastewater holding tank and all associated infrastructure, apparatus and landscaping;
- iii. Underground electrical cabling (33kV) and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to the proposed on-site 110kV electrical substation and associated ancillary works;
- iv. Erection of 1 no. Meteorological Mast of 100m metres above existing ground level for the measuring of meteorological conditions, including a lightning rod which will extend above the mast;
- v. Construction of new permanent access roads and upgrade of existing roads to provide access within the site and to connect the wind turbines and associated infrastructure;
- vi. Upgrade of 1 no. new existing agricultural/forestry access to the site, off the L6254 local road, to serve as the sole entrance to the wind farm during its operational phase and to facilitate the delivery of the construction materials and turbine components to site during the construction and operational phases (including the installation of security fencing and gates);
- vii. Development of 2 no. borrow pits;
- viii. Construction of 2 no. temporary construction compounds and associated ancillary infrastructure including temporary site offices, staff facilities and car-parking areas, all to be removed at end of construction phase;
- ix. Temporary works at 6 no. locations along the N68 national road, R484 regional road and L-2074, L-2082 and L-2048 local roads associated with the facilitation of turbine component and abnormal load delivery to site.

	<p>These works will primarily include the trimming of vegetation and strengthening of road verges;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> x. Permanent and temporary Site Drainage; xi. Operational Stage Site Signage; xii. Ancillary forestry felling over an area of 21.87ha to facilitate construction and operation of the proposed development; xiii. Biodiversity enhancement measures including the permanent removal of commercial forestry (deforestation) over an area of 56.3ha and restoration of farmland habitat to good quality hen harrier foraging habitat through diversifying the range and extent of habitats over an area of 67.4ha, and; xiv. All related site works and ancillary development including landscaping considered necessary to facilitate the proposed development. <p>A ten-year permission and a thirty five-year operational life from the date of full commissioning of the entire wind farm is being sought and the subsequent decommissioning.</p> <p>A separate, concurrent planning application for underground electrical cabling (110kV) which will connect the wind farm to the existing Moneypoint 110kV electrical substation is also being lodged to An Coimisiún Pleanála.</p> <p>An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany this application.</p> <p>The EIAR and NIS assess both the full extent of the proposed development as described above in i-xiv., as well as integral elements of the wider project infrastructure including underground electrical cabling (110kV) from the proposed Cahermurphy West Wind Farm development to the existing Moneypoint 110kV electrical substation; joint bays including communication chambers and earth sheath links along the proposed underground electrical cabling route; permanent and temporary Site Drainage; reinstatement of land, road and track surface above the proposed cabling trench and all</p>
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related site works and ancillary development located in the townlands of Cahermurphy, Cloonwhite South, Sheeaun, Leitrim, Cloonreddan, Kilmacduane East, Clooncullin, Lissanair, Teernagloghane, Brisla East, Brisla West, Gowerhass, Tullagower, Garraunnatooha, Knockerry West, Carrowfree, Derrylough, Dunneill, Doonnagurroge, Pouladarree, Carrowdotia South, Carrowdotia North Co. Clare, all of which are essential infrastructure associated with the operation of the proposed development and which, as referenced above, are subject to a separate, concurrent planning application to An Coimisiún Pleanála.

A design flexibility opinion issued by An Coimisiún Pleanála (Opinion Ref. No.ACP-323567) on the 9th February 2026 accompanies this application. The details unconfirmed in this application are the turbine tip height, hub height and rotor diameter. The range of parameters under which the turbine dimensions will fall are specified on this notice in item i. above and further detailed in the design flexibility opinion that accompanies this application.

4. Declaration:	
I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and fully compliant with the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Regulations made thereunder.	
5. Signature of person authorised to operate on behalf of the Prospective Applicant:	
<i>Alan Clancy</i>	
Alan Clancy, MKO Planning (AGENT), Tuam Road, Galway	
Date:	20 th March 2026

6. Information on Flexibility Meeting Request and Opinion on Flexibility	
Meeting requested under section 32H, 37CC, 182F or 287A of the Act:	Section 37CC(1) Request- section 37E application (SID)
Meeting Reference Number:	ACP-323567-25
Date of Meeting Request:	27 th August 2025
Date of Meeting:	28 th January 2026
Opinion Reference Number:	ACP-323567-25
Date of Opinion:	5 th February 2026 (Issued 9 th February 2026)

7. Document to be submitted			
Document		Enclosed with Request	
A copy of the opinion issued under section 32I, 37CD, 182G or 287B of the Planning and Development Act 2000		Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]	No: [<input type="checkbox"/>]

8. Statement of flexibilities		
(a) Outline each of the of the details, or groups of details, of the proposed development that are unconfirmed in the application		
The details unconfirmed in this application are turbine tip height, hub height and rotor diameter		
(b) For each detail, or groups of details, referenced in (a) above confirm whether the application for permission in respect of the unconfirmed details is being made on the basis of options, parameters or both and provide a description of the details of the options, parameters or both.		
Detail	Options/ Parameters/ Both	Details of options/ parameters or both
Turbine Tip Height	Parameters	180m to 185m inclusive
Hub Height	Parameters	98.5m to 110.5m inclusive
Rotor Diameter	Parameters	149m to 163m inclusive

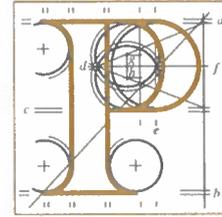
9. Official Use only:

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Our Case Number: ACP-323567-25

Your Reference: Cahermurphy Renewables DAC



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Date: 09 February 2026

Re: Design Flexibility Opinion Request for the Proposed Wind Farm development at Cahermurphy (ABP-319676) located in the townlands of Cahermurphy, Knocknahila More South, Carrownagry South, Caheraghcullin and Drummin, Co. Clare.

Dear Sir / Madam,

I have been asked by An Coimisiún Pleanála to refer to the above-mentioned proposed development.

Please be advised that following consultations under section 37CC of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Commission has formed an opinion on design flexibility. A copy of the opinion is enclosed.

Please note that the Commission's opinion on design flexibility will not be available for public inspection until an application is made to it under section 37E of the Act. Information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Coimisiún Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, is also enclosed.

If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned officer of the Commission or email sids@pleanala.ie quoting the above mentioned An Coimisiún Pleanála reference number in any correspondence with the Commission.

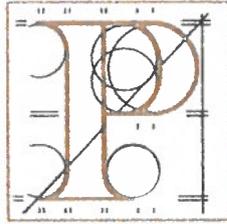
Yours faithfully,

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An Coimisiún Pleanála Opinion on Flexibility

1) Request for meeting	
Request under section 37CC of the Act:	Request for Design Flexibility in relation to a proposed windfarm at Cahermurphy and adjacent townlands in County Clare
Request reference Number:	ACP 323567-25
Name of the requestor/ prospective applicant:	Cahermurphy Renewables DAC
Location, townland or postal address of the land or structure to which the application relates (as may be appropriate):	Cahermurphy and adjacent townlands in County Clare
Nature and extent of the proposed development:	8 number wind turbines with an estimated energy generating capacity of between 50.4 and 57.6 MW, 1 number permanent 110 kV electrical substation, underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling, 1 number meteorological mast, 2 number temporary construction compound, 2 number burrow pits, access roads both new and upgrade of existing and all ancillary works.
Date of receipt of the request:	27 th August 2025

<p>i. two or more options, in respect of each detail or group of details referred to in (d) above containing information on the basis of which the proposed application may be made and decided,</p> <p>ii. parameters within which each detail referred to in paragraph (d) above will fall and on the basis of which the proposed application may be made and decided, or</p> <p>iii. a combination of (i) and (ii).</p>			
(g) Such other information, drawings or representations as the prospective applicant may wish to provide or make available.	Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>	Elevations and plan drawing
(h) The appropriate fee.	Yes: <input type="checkbox"/>	No: <input type="checkbox"/>	N/A: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>

At a meeting held on 28th January 2026, the Commission considered the report of the Inspector, the documents submitted as part of the pre-application consultation under section 37CC of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended on design flexibility.

In this regard an opinion on design flexibility shall issue to the prospective applicant as set out below:

<p>3) Opinion of the Commission under section 37CD of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended and the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended.</p>	
<p>Information</p>	<p>Details/ Circumstances</p>
<p>a) The details, or groups of details, of the proposed development that may be confirmed after the proposed application has been made and decided.</p>	<p>1. Turbine Dimensions:</p> <p>a) Tip Height</p>

	b) Rotor Diameter c) Hub height
b) The circumstances relating to the proposed development that indicate that it is appropriate that the proposed application be made and decided before the prospective applicant has confirmed the details referred to in paragraph (a) above.	i. To allow the perspective applicant to take advantage of new technologies which may become available during consenting process. ii. To facilitate the procurement process iii. To ensure against the potential for obsolescence of existing technology.

For each detail, or groups of details, referred to in paragraph 3(a) above, the proposed application shall, in addition to any other requirement imposed by or under the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, be accompanied by the information referred to in the undertaking submitted with the flexibility meeting request under section, 37CC(2)(f) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

The proposed application must be consistent with the opinion provided in accordance with section 37CD of the Act.

Eamonn James Kelly

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**Planning Commissioner of An Coimisiún
Pleanála duly authorised to authenticate
the seal of the Commission.**

Dated this 5th day of February, 2026