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Proposed Development: Lemanaghan Wind Farm

To whom it may concern,

We, Declan Egan and Kathleen Egan, wish to make a formal observation in relation to the proposed Lemanaghan Wind Farm Strategic Infrastructure Development application.

Our family has lived in the Lemanaghan area for generations, and Kathleen Egan has spent her entire life within this community. This area is deeply important to us, not only as our home, but as part of our family history, heritage, and identity. We are therefore very concerned about the potential impact this proposed development may have on the surrounding environment, landscape, and long-established rural community.

Having reviewed the application documentation, we respectfully ask that careful consideration be given to the following matters:

- The impact of the proposed turbines and associated infrastructure on the rural landscape and visual amenity of the area;
- Potential effects on the bog system, peatlands, drainage, and local watercourses;
- The risk of damage to biodiversity, wildlife habitats, and the natural environment;
- Noise, shadow flicker, and disturbance arising during both construction and operation;
- Increased traffic volumes and associated road safety concerns on local roads;

- The cumulative impact of a development of this scale on a quiet rural area with significant historical, environmental, and cultural importance;
- The importance of preserving the unique heritage and character of the Lemanaghan monastic landscape for future generations.

While we recognise the importance of renewable energy development, we believe it is essential that such projects are carried out in locations that do not place undue pressure on environmentally sensitive areas or negatively affect established local communities and heritage landscapes.

Given our family's lifelong connection to this area and the generations of families who have lived and worked here, we respectfully ask that the Board fully consider the long-term environmental, social, and heritage implications of this proposal.

We respectfully request that An Bord Pleanála give full and careful consideration to these observations in assessing whether the proposed development is consistent with the principles of proper planning and sustainable development.

Yours faithfully,

Declan Egan & Kathleen Egan