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RE- Case Reference PAZ19.324161

Proposed Development: Lemanaghan Wind Farm

To whom it may concern,

We, Sean Egan & Wendy Boyce, wish to make a formal Observation in relation to the above Strategic Infrastructure Development Application.

We are lifelong residents of this area and have raised our family here. Our children, now ages 30 & 23, grew up within this community, and our family have deep roots in the locality. We are therefore very concerned about the potential impact that the proposed development may have on our home, our environment, and the wider heritage and character of the lemanaghan area.

Having considered the details of the application, we respectfully request that careful consideration be given to the following concerns:

- The significant visual and environmental impact on the unique rural landscape and historic character of the area;
- Potential impacts on the Lemanaghan bog system, drainage patterns, water quality, and surrounding peatlands;
- Risks to biodiversity, including protected bird and wildlife habitats;
- Noise, shadow flicker, and disturbance associated with both the construction and operational phases of the development;
- Increased traffic and road safety concerns for local residents and road users;

- The cumulative impact of industrial-scale wind farm development on an established rural community and landscape of important cultural and historical significance;
- Concerns regarding the long-term protection of local heritage, including the historic monastic landscape associated with Lemanaghan.

While we acknowledge the importance of renewable energy and national infrastructure development, we believe it is essential that such development is balanced with the protection of local communities, heritage, biodiversity, and environmentally sensitive landscapes.

Lemanaghan is not simply where we live; it is our lifelong home and an important part of our family history and community identity. We respectfully ask that these concerns be fully and carefully considered in determining whether this proposed development is consistent with the principles of proper planning and sustainable development.

We respectfully request that An Bord Pleanála give full consideration to these observations in its assessment of the application.

Yours faithfully,

Sean Egan & Wendy Boyce