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Dear Sir

Please find attached my submission in response to Honour Caird Marren's letter of 14 August, inviting submissions in response the Maughanacles Wind Farm's response to observations.

Thank you

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An Coimisiún Pleanála

10 September 2026

Dear Sir

Re: Ref No:ACP-324165-26 Maughanaclea Wind Farm

I am writing in response to Honor Caird Marren's letter of 14 August concerning the above application and inviting submissions in response to the Applicants response to observations.

Having read the document Section 4.3.2 Nature Conservation, I do not feel in any way reassured that the applicant has fully attended to the issues raised, particularly in the DAU submission. The bird survey of the proposed area of the wind farm showed that there are many birds which are on the list of conservation concern: "From the documents provided it appears that approximately 16 bird species that are either Annex I Birds Directive species or red listed Birds of Conservation Concern in Ireland (BoCCI) were recorded during the fieldwork. As the majority of these species are known to be impacted by habitat loss and/or displacement or direct collision etc., this is a concern. This has previously been pointed out but the response was that these species are more common than thought (which would be incorrect)."

I do not think that the Applicant's response detailing the low risk of collision, and minimising the effect of habitat loss adequately deals with the concerns raised by the DAU, and which I agree with. I feel strongly that the species listed are so under threat we should be doing all we can to preserve them. Just as we should be doing all we can to preserve upland peat areas.

I also do not think the applicant has dealt with the concerns about the cumulative effects of 28 wind farms within 25km of the site, and 8 within 10km. Neither have they made mention of the impact on the bird life of the Meallagh Valley which may have wind farms on both the Northern and Southern ridges.

I fully understand our need to move away from fossil fuels to renewable energy, but do not the believe this should be at the expense of the environment, flora and fauna, which are also crucial to us.

I hope you will ask the applicant to provide much more detail about why they do not feel there is any great risk to the rare bird population.

Yours Faithfully

John Albrow