

SITE NOTICE

Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)

Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development, County Clare

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), Slieveacurry Ltd. gives notice of its intention to make an application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for permission for a proposed development located at the townlands of Tooreen, Fahanlunaghta More, Glendine North, Curraghodea, Silverhill, Cloghaun More, Letterkelly, Doonsallagh East, Knockalassa, Boolinrudda, Magherbaun, Slievealoughaun and Cloonlaheen Middle, and Fahanlunaghta Beg, Co. Clare.

This development is covered by the provisions of the Renewable Energy Directive III (Directive 2023/2413) and the planning application is subject to a completeness check under section 37JA of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended by the European Union (Planning and Development) (Renewable Energy) Regulations 2025.

The proposed development will consist of the provision of the following:

- (i) 9 No. wind turbines with an overall ground-to-blade tip height of 175 metres; rotor diameter of 150 metres; and hub height of 100 metres, and a meteorological mast with a height of 30 metres, and subsequent decommissioning of the wind turbines and meteorological mast, following a thirty five-year operational period from the date of full commissioning of the wind turbines;
- (ii) Associated wind turbine and meteorological mast foundations and hardstanding areas;
- (iii) An extension to the existing 110kV substation compound in the townland of Knockalassa (Including the provision of a new control building (floor area of 112.5 sq.m) with welfare facilities, all associated electrical plant and apparatus for an additional 110kV bay, security fencing, underground cabling, underground wastewater holding tank, site drainage and all ancillary works);
- (iv) Underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling connecting the proposed wind turbines and meteorological mast to the 110kV substation extension via proposed and existing private access road/tracks and the R460 regional road;
- (v) Temporary accommodation works to facilitate the delivery of turbine components and other abnormal sized loads on the L6230, L1076, L2118 and L1074 local roads;
- (vi) Upgrade and widening works to the L6230 local road and access junction off the L6230 local road;
- (vii) Upgrade of existing tracks/roads and provision of new site access roads and hardstanding areas;
- (viii) A borrow pit;
- (ix) 2 no. temporary construction compounds (including site offices and welfare facilities, with a combined floor area of 202.5 sq.m);
- (x) Peat and Spoil Management;
- (xi) Site Drainage;
- (xii) Tree felling and vegetation removal;
- (xiii) Biodiversity Management and Enhancement Plan measures (including hedgerow planting, peatland, marsh fritillary and hen harrier habitat enhancement areas);
- (xiv) Operational stage site signage; and
- (xv) All associated site development works and apparatus.

The applicant is seeking a ten-year permission and an operational period of thirty-five-years for the wind turbines, meteorological mast and site signage from the date of full commissioning of the wind turbines. Permanent planning permission is being sought for all other works.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany this planning application. The EIAR and NIS include assessment of temporary accommodation works to facilitate the delivery of turbine components from the Foynes Port to the site entrances via the Motorway (M18), National (N69, N18 and N85), Regional (R510, R527, R445 and R460) and Local (L1074, L1076, L2118 and L6230) public road network.

The planning application, EIAR and NIS may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the **8th May 2026** at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 (9:15am – 5:30pm, Monday – Friday)
- The Offices of Clare County Council, New Road, Ennis, Co. Clare, V95 DXP2 (9:00am – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday)

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: www.slieveacurryplanning.com

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála (“the Commission”) 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online at www.pleanala.ie during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to:

- i. The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned, and
- ii. the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out, and
- iii. the likely effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by An Coimisiún Pleanála not later than 5:30pm on the **25th June 2026** and must include the following information:

- The name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating the application should be sent,
- the subject matter of the submission or observation, and
- the reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission. The Commission may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (refer to ‘A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development’ at www.pleanala.ie)

The Commission may in respect of an application for permission decide to:

1. grant the permission, or
2. make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or
3. grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
4. refuse to grant the permission

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Telephone: 01-8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Commission by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Commission’s website (www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/home) under the following heading: Legal Notices – Judicial Review Notice. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie.

Signed:  (Ronan Dunne of MKO, Tuam Road, Galway (Agent))

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