

Applicant: FuturEnergy Ireland

Development: Proposed Dough Mountain (Lissinagroagh) Wind Farm

Case Reference: PAX12.324290

Location: Boleyboy, Cashelaveela, Cherrybrook, Killea, Coolodonnell, Faughary, Lissinagroagh, Lisdarush, Lugasnaghta, Raheelin, Shasmore, Tawnyfeacle and Tullysheherny, Co. Leitrim

Hi there,

I am a resident of Glenfarne, County Leitrim and would like to weigh in on the proposed wind farm to be located on Dough Mountain. I would like to make it clear that I am not opposed to wind farms, but there are some serious concerns I have with the plans as they have been submitted.

The scale of the project is immense and will dwarf any previous wind farm projects in the area. Couple that with putting the turbines on peatland and I worry about the effect this may have on ground water and the resulting damage to an ecosystem that is vital to the lives and livelihoods of the local people and surrounding wildlife. The Derrybrien landslide of 2003 and Meenbog windfarm disaster in 2020 led to a great deal of peat being dislodged and the pollution of the groundwater. Given that this location was refused permission in 2010, and that the application includes a Peat Stability Risk Assessment and identifies ongoing management and mitigation measures, there seems to be an understanding that this project is being undertaken not without risk.

Renewable energy is a laudable goal and one that should be pursued, but to put it on bogland at this scale seems to be courting disaster and putting the community at risk.

Thank you,

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