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Application Details

Applicant: FuturEnergyIreland

Development: Proposed Dough Mountain (Lissinagroagh) Wind Farm

Case Reference: PAX12.324290

To whom it may concern:

I have a number of observations and concerns regarding this application.
I am not anti wind farm or renewable energy but I do not believe Dough Mountain is the appropriate location for a development of this scale.

Firstly having witnessed the Shass Mountain land slide and having helped the local community deal with the catastrophic consequences I have a genuine concern with regard to the possibility, reoccurrence of a similar incident here. I am familiar with both locations. My father, grandfather and ancestors on his side come from Greaghmaglough Drumkeeran approximately just less than 1 km from the site of the landslide. My mother is a native of Rossinver, Lisross, her parents coming from the local townlands of Tullysheherry and Killea.

I am concerned about the scale of excavation, drainage and peat disturbance proposed across an area of blanket bog and peatland. The application includes a Peat Stability Risk Assessment and identifies the need for ongoing management and mitigation measures. In my view, this demonstrates the sensitivity of the site and raises concerns regarding peat stability, water quality and long-term environmental impacts.

I am concerned that turbines of up to 185 metres in height would fundamentally alter the character of Dough Mountain and the surrounding uplands. The area is recognised within the Leitrim County Development Plan as an Area of High Visual Amenity and is valued for its open skyline, scenic quality, sense of place and tranquillity. I can attest to the tranquility, scenic and visual qualities referred to. In my view, introducing structures of this scale would industrialise a landscape that is currently one of the defining features of the local area and North Leitrim.

I have concerns around the potential effects of turbine noise and shadow flicker and the setback distances from residential holdings. I believe that the distances as per current guidelines or in this application are not near adequate.

I have other concerns relating to the road network and structure and the impact on during construction.

Back in 2010, a proposed wind farm development on Dough Mountain was previously refused planning permission due to concerns over slope instability and potential risk of landslides on the bogland. I fail to see what has changed, how now a much larger, a greater scale wind farm could now receive permission.

Consequently, I urge a refusal here.

Yours sincerely,

Cllr. Padraig Fallon.
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