

Rossinver Gun Club

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Subject: Submission/Observation on Planning Application

Case Reference No.: PA12.324290

Proposed Development: Renewable Energy Development of a Wind Farm

Location: Lissinagroagh, Co. Leitrim

To whom it may concern,

I wish to make a submission/observation in relation to the above proposed development.

I am the Chairperson representing all concerned members of the Rossinver Gun Club residing in several locations all around Rossinver with several members located less than 1-2kms from the proposed site.

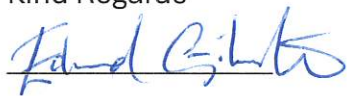
I respectfully object to the proposed development on the following grounds:

- a) We as a community body are extremely concerned that the applicant's own surveys identify important bird and wildlife activity within and around the site, including hen harrier activity over a number of years. The planning documents acknowledge significant impacts on breeding hen harrier and propose extensive habitat compensation measures. In our view, the need for compensation on this scale demonstrates the ecological sensitivity of the area and raises concerns about whether impacts can genuinely be avoided. We are strongly against this application in our area as we have been trying to protect the local habitats of not just the hen harrier but many more species such as Red Grouse for years with strict measures of non outside shooting clubs entering the area. This is going to undo the good work of many within our club and surrounding community.

- b) We are also concerned about the potential impact of extensive excavation, drainage works and peat disturbance on local streams, rivers, springs, groundwater and private water supplies. Dough Mountain forms part of a wider connected catchment and our club members which are also local residents rely on these waters for environmental, agricultural and domestic purposes. The effects of this could be detrimental to the watercourses that both the wildlife and farming animals rely on. Many of us have our own private wells that we financially invested large sums of money on and at this point in time we do not know the extent of the damage that this site could cause. Do you think its acceptable to put one of these windfarms in such a remote area because no one cares or it wont be seen or impact anyone important? We have a thriving community with many clubs and associations that will be directly impacted by this site. It will impact us and the many generations after us. There is no coming back from something as crucial as this.
- c) The Rossinver Gun Club had a meeting about this site and we could give you an endless list of reasons and concerns why this should not go ahead and why we do not want it in our area. We have younger members in our club that understand completely the world we are living in and how renewable energy itself can have a positive but the situation here is not about renewable energy but whether Dough Mountain is an appropriate location for a development of this scale. The planning documents identify peatland, sensitive habitats, groundwater vulnerability, karst features, hydrological connectivity, landscape sensitivity and the need for extensive mitigation and compensation measures. In our view, these factors indicate that the site is environmentally sensitive and unsuitable for large-scale industrial development

For the reasons outlined above, I respectfully request that An Coimisiun Pleanala to **refuse permission** for this proposed development.

Kind Regards



Edward Gilmartin (Chairperson)

On Behalf of all the Rossinver Gun Club – see full list of 27 members attached.

