

An Coimisiún Pleanála

64 Marlborough Street

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CASE REFERENCE: PAX16. 324387

Re: Proposed development of Muingmore Wind Farm — 13 wind turbines, 110kV substation, battery energy storage system (BESS) and associated infrastructure, townlands of Muingmore, Doolough, Tristia, Moneynierin and Bangor, County Mayo. Applicant: RWE Renewables Ireland Limited.

A Chara,

I wish to submit the following observation in respect of the above-named planning application, in accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) and Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 (as amended).

1. MY DETAILS

Full Name

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2. SUBJECT MATTER AND OBSERVATION

This submission relates to: (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area, and (ii) the likely effects on the environment and on European protected sites arising from the proposed development.

I am a resident and live in the Muingmore/Mount Jubilee area within a direct sight of the proposed Windfarm development. I have significant concerns in relation to its construction so close to mine and my parent's home and its location in general considering there is no Windfarm in our locality. The nearest windfarm is based in Bellacorrick with all the infrastructure currently in place.

My main concerns include the construction phase, Wildlife, effects on the existing water courses and nearby receptors, noise and flicker from the turbines and also the general deterioration of the road network and the increase in traffic during the construction period.

The locality contains an extensive network of streams and rivers that support a variety of fish species and form part of the wider aquatic environment. Given the scale of the proposed construction and its likely interaction with watercourses and bogland areas, I am concerned that inadequate sediment control or construction-related run-off could pollute the local water network.

As I live very close to the proposed turbines, I have serious concerns about the noise and shadow flicker off the turbines considering I live in a quiet rural area surrounded by nature with very little night-time noise. During a 24month construction period I am concerned with the constant construction traffic passing my home, together with irregular early start times for concrete pours, would seriously disrupt our sleep patterns and affect our wellbeing. My nephew stays with me on a regular basis and I am particularly concerned about the potential impact of turbine noise and shadow flicker on their sleep and daily lives, especially given the low existing background noise levels.

I also use the Muingmore Road for walking and running including local residents and the neighbouring children for cycling and learning about the area's plants and wildlife. Once construction commences, I will not be able to use this road as it will become too dangerous and would lead to a road traffic accident. The amount of traffic on this road will also deter everyone from using it. This

hasn't been taken into consideration by anyone and there is no alternative route in this village for people to walk or run in the evenings to get a release from the working environment.

Also, a recent valuation of my property has also indicated that its value would be considerably reduced if the proposed wind farm proceeds. I am further concerned that the proximity of the development could affect the prospects of obtaining planning permission for family members who may wish to live on or near the family property in the future.

These are not minor matters for residents who will live near the turbines, travel past them regularly and spend their daily lives in the area. For these reasons, I believe the proposed development would have a detrimental impact on me, on local residents, on the wider community, on the road network, on the landscape and on the surrounding environment.

3. CONCLUSION

In conclusion, I respectfully request that An Coimisiún Pleanála refuse permission for the proposed Muingmore Wind Farm development.

Mise le meas / Yours sincerely,

Gary Lindsay

Signature / Print Full Name

Date 04-08-2026

