

The Secretary
An Coimisiún Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street
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Date: 7th August 2026

Re: Strategic Infrastructure Development Application – Case Reference : PAX16.324387
Proposed Development : Muingmore Wind Farm, Co. Mayo
Applicant: RWE Renewables Ireland Limited

Dear Sir/ Madam,

I wish to make an observation on the proposed Strategic Infrastructure Development of a 13 turbine wind farm, 110kV substation and battery energy storage system at Muingmore and its surrounding townlands.

Having grown up in this area I possess a deep, lifelong connection to its landscape, culture and community. I have also established my residence approx. 3 miles from the proposed development site. While this distance places my home outside the immediate physical setback perimeter the immense scale of these proposed 180 metre high structures means they will heavily dictate and intrude upon the panoramic views from my residence and daily life.

I enjoy walking and cycling around Geesala and wider area and enjoy the quiet roads and coastal views and I am worried that this development would change that experience for local people and tourists that regularly visit the area as part of the Wild Atlantic Way experience. Tourism is very important to Erris. Tourists come here for the scenery and quite way of life.

My main concerns include:

- The potential visual impact of the proposed turbines on the surrounding landscape and the cumulative effect when considered alongside existing developments in the wider area.
- The potential impact on residential amenity including noise, shadow flicker and the overall quality of life for people living in close proximity to the proposed development
- The adequacy of the environmental assessment, particularly in relation to protected habitats, bird and bat populations, peatland, water quality and biodiversity.
- The suitability of the proposed access routes and associated construction traffic, including the potential impact on local roads, road safety and nearby communities.
- The long term environmental implications of construction activities particularly where excavation, drainage and disturbance of peat soils may increase the risk of habitat degradation, erosion or impacts on watercourses.

I respectfully request that An Bord Pleanála carefully assess all environmental, social and planning considerations associated with this proposal and ensure that any decision is fully supported by robust evidence and compliance with national planning policy and environmental legislation.

Yours faithfully,

Lisa Carey

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