



An
Bord
Pleanála

Observation on a Planning Appeal: Form.

Your details

1. Observer's details (person making the observation)

If you are making the observation, write your full name and address.

If you are an agent completing the observation for someone else, write the observer's details:

Your full details:

(a) Name

Click or tap here to enter text.

Vincent Monaghan.

(b) Address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Dooyock, Greesala, Ballina Co-Mayo

Agent's details

2. Agent's details

If you are an agent and are acting for someone else **on this observation**, please **also** write your details below.

If you are not using an agent, please write "Not applicable" below.

(a) Agent's name

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's address

Click or tap here to enter text.

(b) Agent's postal
address

Click or tap here to enter text.

Postal address for letters

3. During the process to decide the application, we will post information and items to you or to your agent. For this **current application**, who should we write to? (Please tick ✓ one box only)

You (the observer) at the postal address in Part 1

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The agent at the postal address in Part 2

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Details about the proposed development

4. Please provide details about the **current application** you wish to make an observation.

- (a) **An Coimisiún Pleanála case number for the current application (if available)**

(for example: 300000)

PAX16.324387

- (b) **Name or description of proposed development**

Muingmore Wind Farm

- (c) **Location of proposed development**

(for example: 1 Main Street, Baile Fearainn, Co Abhaile)

Erris

Observation details

5. Grounds

Please describe the grounds of your observation (planning reasons and arguments). You can type or write them in the space below. There is **no word** limit as the box expands to fit what you write.

You can also insert photographs or images in this box. (See part 6 – Supporting materials for more information).

To whom it may concern

We are lodging an official objection to the proposed windfarm in Muningmore Erris Co Mayo.

I was born and raised in Dooyork and am very proud of this.

Even though I no longer live in Dooyork, my parents and siblings live there.

We love returning home and hope to retire here some day.

We strongly object to the above wind farm for the following reasons:

1. We believe that the proposed development would destroy the environmental, heritage and peaceful nature of this area. The peace and tranquility of the area is fundamental to our health and well being. There is nothing nicer than walking the many beautiful beaches in the area and breathing in its fresh sea air.
2. The proposed windfarm is enormous and their height would destroy the natural beautiful landscape and skyline of this area forever. These structures would be visible for miles in every direction. Once developed these natural views can not be replaced. Our beautiful dark skies will be replaced with flashing/flickering lights.

5. Grounds

3. The proposed windfarms would undoubtedly create noise which is concerning especially for my families mental health and well being. Wind turbine noise, especially low frequency sound has been proven to disrupt sleep and concentration levels adding to mental health and well being. The negative effect on health has been well documented in this country for many years.
4. We believe the proposed wind farms will restrict planning permission in the area. As this is an area we would eventually like to return to, this is of great concern. This may impact our children in the future where they will not be granted planning permission due to zoning and visual impact policies.
5. There would be a negative impact on tourism in the area. People flock to Erris for its peace, unspoilt landscape, beautiful outdoor spaces and amenities. This would be destroyed with the development of wind farms. Many local businesses rely on tourism in the area which would be detrimental to their livelihoods.
6. We also need to consider the impact of this development on future generations to come, something I do not think has been given sufficient consideration.

Therefore we respectfully ask that our concerns are taken into account as I do believe that potential damage far outweighs any potential benefits of this development.

5. **Grounds**

Sincerely

Vincent Moraghan.

Supporting materials

6. If you wish, you can include supporting materials with your observation.

Supporting materials include:

- photographs,
- plans,
- surveys,
- drawings,
- digital videos or DVDs,
- technical guidance, or
- other supporting materials.

You can insert photographs and similar items in your observation details: grounds (part 5 of this form).

If your supporting materials are physical objects, you must send them together with your observation by post or deliver it in person to our office.

You cannot use the online uploader facility.

Fee

7. You **must** make sure that the correct fee is included with your observation.

Observers (except prescribed bodies)

- strategic infrastructure observation is €50.

- there is no fee for an oral hearing request

Oral hearing request

8. If you wish to request the Coimisiún to hold an oral hearing, please tick the “Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing” box below.

You can find information on how to make this request on [our website](#) or by contacting us.

If you do not wish to request an oral hearing, please tick the “No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing” box.

Yes, I wish to request an oral hearing

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No, I do not wish to request an oral hearing

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Final steps before you send us your observations

9. If you are sending us your observation using **the online uploader facility**, remember to save this document as a Microsoft word or PDF and title it with:
- the case number and your name, or
 - the name and location of the development and your name.

This also applies to prescribed bodies sending an observation by email.

If you are sending your observation to us by post or delivering in person, remember to print off all the pages of this document and send it to us.

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Initials		Initials	
Date		Date	

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