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Date: 7th August 2026

Re: Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended – Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for a Proposed Wind Farm located in the townlands of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain, Ballyglass, Tawnadremira, Doonbeakin, Dunowla, Kingsmountain, Ballygreighan Barr, Corhawnagh, Abbeytown, Knockaculleen, Rathgoonaun, Lecarrow, Dromore, Co. Sligo.

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An Chomhairle Ealaíon (The Arts Council),
70 Merrion Square,
Dublin 2,
D02 NY52

Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

Date: 7th August 2026

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Our ref: 230841

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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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Contents of the Application

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Our ref: 230841

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EirGrid
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160 Shelbourne Road,
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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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Gasworks Road,
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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of our client, SSE Renewables (Ireland) Ltd, please find enclosed a copy of a planning application for a proposed wind farm development which will be known as ‘Crumhach Wind Farm’. The Proposed Project consists of the decommissioning of the existing Dunneill and Kingsmountain Wind Farms, which will comprise the removal of 23 no. existing turbines and relevant ancillary infrastructure permitted under Sligo County Council Planning References; 97/469, 02/846, 03/619, (the latter granted on appeal by An Coimisiún Pleanála PL21.204790) and 22/291, and the erection of 17 no. wind turbines, underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to a new on-site 110kV electrical substation and all associated infrastructure and works located in Co. Sligo. You have received a copy of the application as a noted Prescribed Body.

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Yours sincerely,

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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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F23 WF90

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Our ref: 230841

Your ref: N/A

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Our ref: 230841

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Re: Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended – Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for a Proposed Wind Farm located in the townlands of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain, Ballyglass, Tawnadremira, Doonbeakin, Dunowla, Kingsmountain, Ballygreighan Barr, Corhawnagh, Abbeytown, Knockaculleen, Rathgoonaun, Lecarrow, Dromore, Co. Sligo.

Dear Sir/Madam,

On behalf of our client, SSE Renewables (Ireland) Ltd, please find enclosed a copy of a planning application for a proposed wind farm development which will be known as ‘Crumhach Wind Farm’. The Proposed Project consists of the decommissioning of the existing Dunneill and Kingsmountain Wind Farms, which will comprise the removal of 23 no. existing turbines and relevant ancillary infrastructure permitted under Sligo County Council Planning References; 97/469, 02/846, 03/619, (the latter granted on appeal by An Coimisiún Pleanála PL21.204790) and 22/291, and the erection of 17 no. wind turbines, underground electrical (33kV) and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to a new on-site 110kV electrical substation and all associated infrastructure and works located in Co. Sligo. You have received a copy of the application as a noted Prescribed Body.

Background

The Application is being made directly to An Coimisiún Pleanála (ACP) as ‘Strategic Infrastructure Development’ (SID) under the provisions of Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) (“the Act,”). Pre-application consultation was opened in November 2024, with a meeting being held with ACP on the 25th November 2024 in accordance with Section 37B of the Act. A further meeting took place on the 2nd December 2025 in response to the transposition of the Renewable Energy Directive (RED III) into Irish law through the European Union (Planning and Development)(Renewable Energy) Regulations 2025.

The SID status of the Proposed Project was confirmed by the Commission by letter dated 24th of March 2026 following pre-application consultations with the Commission (Ref: PCX21-320934-24). A copy of the SID Determination letter is included at Appendix 2 of the Planning Application Form.

A design flexibility opinion was issued by ACP on the 13th March 2026 and accompanies this application (Opinion Ref. No. ACP-323811-25). The details unconfirmed in this application are the turbine dimensions (turbine total tip height, rotor diameter and hub height). The range of parameters under

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which the turbine dimensions will fall are specified on the public notices and further detailed in the design flexibility opinion which accompanies this application.

The Applicant for the Proposed Project is SSE Renewables (Ireland) Ltd.

European Union (Planning and Development) (Renewable Energy) Regulations 2025 (S.I. No. 274 of 2025)

On 6 August 2025, the European Union (Planning and Development) (Renewable Energy) Regulations 2025 (S.I. No. 274 of 2025) were adopted for the purpose of giving effect to Articles 15e(5), 16, 16bb, 16(2), 16d, 16e and 16f of the RED III Directive.

The legislation introduces new decision timelines based on a “completeness check” (ss.34E, 37JB, 295B): 52 weeks for new wind farms, 30 weeks for repowering projects, and one to two years for IROPI cases (two years for projects over 150 kW, one year for projects under 150 kW or repowering). Importantly, renewable energy developments, including related grid and storage infrastructure, are now presumed to be in the overriding public interest. The development is fully covered by the provisions of the Renewable Energy Directive III (Directive 2023/2413).

This planning application has been prepared in line with these Regulations, and, specifically, the Schedule of Information to Inform the Completeness Check, provided by ACP, as Appendix 2 of their SID determination under ACP-320934-24. A full assessment of the Proposed Project in relation to this schedule has been included as Appendix 1 of the Cover Letter submitted with this application.

Proposed Project

The Proposed Project description, as per the public notices is as follows:

The proposed development will comprise:

- i. *Removal of 23 no. existing turbines permitted under Sligo County Council Ref. No. 97/469, 02/846, 03/619 (the latter granted on appeal by An Coimisiún Pleanála PL21.204790) and 22/291;*
- ii. *Erection of 17 no. wind turbines within the following parameters:*
 - *a turbine tip height range of 176.6 metres to 180 metres;*
 - *a rotor diameter range of 133.2 metres to 150 metres; and*
 - *a hub height range of 105 metres to 110 metres.*
- iii. *Permanent turbine foundations, hard-standing and assembly areas;*
- iv. *A new permanent 110kV electrical substation compound including control buildings (with a combined floor area of 654sq.m) incorporating welfare facilities, all associated electrical plant and apparatus, security fencing, underground cabling, lightning protection poles, an underground wastewater holding tank, drainage and all ancillary works;*
- v. *Upgrade of and permanent continued use of 2 no. existing onsite control buildings comprising: 1 no. control building located in the townland of Tawnadremira (with a floor area of c. 118.4sqm), permitted under Sligo County Council Planning References 03/619 (granted on appeal by An Coimisiún Pleanála PL21.204790), 10/371, and 22/291; and 1 no. control building located in the townland of Kingsmountain (with a floor area of c.71sqm), permitted under Sligo County Council Planning References 97/469 and 03/382.*

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- vi. *Underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the proposed wind turbines to the existing onsite control buildings and the proposed 110kV on-site electrical substation;*
- vii. *4 no. temporary construction compounds with site offices and welfare facilities (with a combined floor area of 324 sqm);*
- viii. *Upgrade of 1 no. existing site entrance off the L6309 in the townlands of Ballyglass and Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain;*
- ix. *1 no. new site entrance off the L6309 in the townlands of Ballyglass and Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain;*
- x. *Upgrade of 1 no. existing site entrance off the L2702 in the townland of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain;*
- xi. *2 no. new site entrances off the L2702 in the townland of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain;*
- xii. *Upgrade of existing site tracks and provision of new site access tracks, clear span crossings, junctions and hard-standing areas;*
- xiii. *Accommodation works along the N59 in the townlands of Corhawnagh and Abbeytown, along the R297 in the townland of Knockaculleen, along the L2702 in the townland of Lecarrow and Dromore, along the L2702 in the townland of Rathgoonaun and along the L2702 and L6309 in the townland of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain, to facilitate the delivery of turbine components and other abnormal sized loads to site;*
- xiv. *A new temporary access road off the L2702 to the L6309 in the townlands of Crowagh or Dunneill Mountain;*
- xv. *3 no. temporary borrow pits;*
- xvi. *2 permanent LiDAR compounds;*
- xvii. *Peat and Spoil Management areas;*
- xviii. *Tree felling and hedgerow removal;*
- xix. *Biodiversity Management and Enhancement measures (inclusive of peatland restoration and management);*
- xx. *Site Drainage;*
- xxi. *Operational stage site signage; and*
- xxii. *All ancillary apparatus and site development works above and below ground, including soft and hard landscaping and drainage infrastructure.*

A ten-year permission and a thirty five-year operational life of the wind farm from the date of full commissioning is sought.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in relation to the project and accompany this planning application.

The EIAR and NIS assess the construction, operation and, decommissioning of the proposed development described at items i-xxii above. The EIAR and NIS also assess integral elements of the wider project, including but not limited to, the turbine delivery route from the port of entry of Killybegs to the site entrances via the National Road network (N56, N15, N4, N59) and the Local Road network (L2702, L6309). Temporary accommodation works associated with the turbine delivery route are contained within the public road corridor and will be reinstated following the construction stage.

The EIAR and NIS also assess a proposed grid connection route from the proposed on-site 110kV substation to the existing Srananagh 220kV substation, located in the townland of Ballysumaghan, Co. Sligo. The proposed grid connection route does not form part of this planning application but

is assessed in the EIAR and NIS as an integral element of the wider project. The proposed grid connection route will comprise underground 110kV cabling within the National Road (N59), Regional Road (R284, R290) and Local Road (L6309, L6234, L5204) network.

Contents of the Application

The following documents are included in the application pack:

- Planning Application Documentation;
 - Cover Letter, including compliance with Schedule of Information to Inform the Completeness Check,
 - Planning Application Form,
 - Form No.22 Application to accompany an application that includes an opinion on design flexibility (Opinion Ref. No.ACP-323811-25), including design flexibility opinion issued by ACP,
 - Copy of Site Notice, erected on the 5th August 2026,
 - Copy of Newspaper Notice published locally in the Sligo Champion, published and dated 5th August 2026,
 - Copy of Newspaper Notice, published Nationally in the Irish Independent, published and dated 5th August 2026,
 - EIA Portal Confirmation (ID: 2026122),
 - Planning Report,
 - Letter of consents from relevant landowners – included with the planning application form.
- Planning Application Drawings (Including Drawing Schedule),
- Red Line Boundary in DWG format,
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR),
 - Volume 1 – Non-Technical Summary (NTS) and Main Report,
 - Volume 2 – Photomontage Booklet,
 - Volume 3 – EIAR Appendices including 2 no. confidential Appendices.
- Natura Impact Statement (NIS).

The planning application, Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the 14th August 2026 at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 D01 V902 (9:15am – 5:30pm, Monday – Friday).
- The Offices of Sligo County Council, City Hall, Quay Street, Sligo, Ireland, F91 PP44 (10:00 – 4:00pm, Monday – Friday).

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: crumhachwfplanning.com

Submissions or Observations may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála (“the Commission”) 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online at www.pleanala.ie during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to:

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- (i) The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development on the area concerned, and
- (ii) The likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out and
- (iii) The likely effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Commission not later than 5.30 p.m. on the 2nd October 2026. Such submissions/observations must also include the following information:

- The name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent,
- The subject matter of the submission or observation, and
- The reasons, consideration and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers)

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission. The Commission may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (refer to 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' at www.pleanala.ie). The Commission may in respect of an application for permission/approval decide to:

- (a)
 - (i) grant the permission, or
 - (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or
 - (iii) grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
- (b) Refuse to grant the permission.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Tel. 01-8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Commission by way of an application for judicial review, under order 84 of the Rule of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended.

Practical Information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Commissions website (www.pleanala.ie) under the following heading: Legal Notices - Judicial Review Notice. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie.

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Enclosed

- 1 x USB Copy of Planning Application

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