

SITE NOTICE
Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended
Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development in
County Limerick.
(Electricity Transmission Development)

In accordance with section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Harmony Solar East Limerick Limited gives notice of its intention to make an application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for a 10 year permission in relation to the following proposed development within the townlands of Gotoon, Coolscart, and Kilfrush, County Limerick.

The proposed development will consist of the construction of a 220kV Loop In Loop Out (LILO) Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) substation, Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) and associated works required for a solar farm development within a site of 17.02 hectares which will include the following:

- Transmission System Operator (TSO) compound with an area of 14,158m², containing a two-storey 220kV GIS substation building with a footprint of 1,844m², a total floor area of 3,550.8m², and a height of 20.7m.
- Customer compound with an area of 4,576m², containing a customer building with a footprint of 346.2m², a total floor area of 311.8m² and a height of 7.62m.
- 220kV customer transformer positioned within bunded enclosures, with a height of 9.5m above finished ground level.
- 220kV electrical infrastructure including transformers, switchgear, gantries, insulators, conductors, protection and control equipment, and all associated electrical plant and apparatus.
- BESS located within a dedicated BESS compound and including:
 - 55 no. containerised battery storage modules, each measuring 6.06m long, 2.44m wide and 2.9m high.
 - 28 no. containerised transformer and power conversion / conditioning units, each measuring 6.06m long, 2.44m wide and 2.9m high.
 - Ancillary BESS infrastructure including inverters, transformers, switchgear, control equipment, thermal management systems, fire detection and suppression systems, acoustic screening, and associated electrical plant.
- Removal of 1 no. existing 25m high steel lattice tower, and the installation of 2 no. steel lattice towers of 26.5m high, foundations and associated insulators, hardware and conductor.
- 4no. lightning protection masts, with a height of 18m.
- 1 no. telecommunications mast, with a height of 37.52m.
- 140m of underground electrical cable and associated ducting, including joint bays, cable sealing end compounds, marker posts and associated infrastructure.
- Internal access tracks.
- A new access point from the L1509 public road.
- Removal of derelict farm building.
- Landscaping and biodiversity enhancement measures.
- Security gates, boundary fencing and all associated ancillary development, site works and services.

A Natura Impact Statement will be submitted with the application.

The planning application and Natura Impact Statement may be inspected free of charge, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy during the public opening hours for a period of **seven weeks** commencing **21st September 2026** at the following locations:

- The offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902
- The offices of the Planning Authority, Limerick City and County Council Offices, Dooradoyle Road, Limerick, V94 WV78

The application may also be viewed or downloaded at the stand-alone project website: www.EastLimerickSID.ie

Submissions or observations may be made in writing to An Coimisiún Pleanála ('the Commission'), 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902, or online at www.pleanala.ie, during the above-mentioned period of **seven weeks** relating to:

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

Any submissions or 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 pm 9th November 2026** and must also include the following information:

- the name of the person making the submission/observation, the name of the person acting on his/her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent;
- the subject matter of the submission/observation; and
- the reasons, considerations 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 approval decide to:

1. approve the proposed development;
2. make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and approve the proposed development as so modified, or
3. approve, in part only, the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
4. refuse to approve the proposed development,

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 Commission's 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).

Signed: 
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Date of erection of site notice: 11th September 2026