Our Case Number: ABP-317560-23

Planning Authority Reference Number:

An Bord Pleanála

Brendan Kilcullen
Carra
Bonniconlon
Ballina
Co. Mayo

Date: 06 September 2023

Re: Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and hydrogen plant in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.
Carrowleagh, Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo and Curraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo.

Dear Sir / Madam,

An Bord Pleanála has received your recent submission in relation to the above mentioned proposed development and will take it into consideration in its determination of the matter. Please accept this letter as a receipt for the fee of €50 that you have paid.

The Board will revert to you in due course with regard to the matter.

Please be advised that copies of all submissions / observations received in relation to the application will be made available for public inspection at the offices of the local authority and at the offices of An Bord Pleanála when they have been processed by the Board.

More detailed information in relation to strategic infrastructure development can be viewed on the Board's website: www.pleanala.ie.

If you have any queries in the meantime, please contact the undersigned officer of the Board or email sids@pleanala.ie quoting the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

PP EGM

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Bord Pleanála Case reference: PA16.317560

Address Carrowleagh, Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo & Curraun, Castleconnor, Co. Sligo

Description Proposed windfarm development including 13 no. wind turbines in Bunnyconnellan, Co. Mayo & hydrogen plant in Castleconnor, Co. Sligo

31st August 2023

To whom it may concern:

I am a landowner with land on the L6612, which stretches from Carraun, Co. Sligo, to the locally known Carra School. My land is on the haul route for the construction phase of the proposed windfarm development and hydrogen plant. The interconnector/ electrical cables route is also proposed along this road.

At no stage have I been consulted by the applicant in relation to my land being used for passing bays, road widening, interconnector route or road closures.

I am very concerned about my animal welfare, agricultural land and livelihood. I am also concerned about the inconvenience that would be imposed on me for almost two years, if this proposed development goes ahead.

I resent the way it has been stated in the plans that third party lands are required on this route when there has been no prior engagement with me at all. (Chapter 15, Traffic and Transport, 15.4.3. page 54)

I am totally opposed to this project for reasons stated.

Signed Brendan Kilcullen

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Brendan Kilcullen

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Carra, Bonniconlon, Ballina, Co. Mayo

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Case type
Private Development - Application
Parties Mercury Renewable (Carrowleagh) Limited (Applicant)
• Mercury Renewable (Carrowleagh) Limited (Active)

To whom it concerns in An Bord Pleanála.

My name is Brendan Kilcullen.
I own a farm 500 metres from the proposed Hydrogen Plant.

I have grave concerns about the daily amounts of water extracted from underground during the process of making the gas. Please confirm to me by writing that this will not effect my water levels. My lifestock and farming is my sole livelyhood. My income depends on farming.

My concerns are:
1. The water levels will drop.
2. Sink holes may appear on my land over time.
3. Accidents may happen by human error.

I acknowledge that wells were drilled but my concerns are the tests, where are the results published? If they are available, please point them out to me. How much water is in our aquifer? How much can we afford to remove without it running dry. We live very close to the sea. Is it a possibility that contaminated sea water will replace the fresh water in our aquifer?

182,000 litres of water is the daily water demand

The location for this is not right.

1. Young families live close by.
2. Young adults are returning to their homelands to build on sites provided by parents, some will be taking over their family farms.
3. More will be given sites.
4. Homes, land and sites will be worthless.
5. Insurance issues may occur.
6. This is a rural residential area of natural beaty with lots of wildlife.

The N59 is the gateway to Northern Ireland. The traffic is exceptionally busy. Many accidents have taken place on or nearby the entrance to the proposed Hydrogen Plant.

Please take note of this.
There is a lack of clarity around the amounts of water being taken and discharged. Any impacts it might have the Dooeighney river and Brosna river and these are protected under the habitat's directive.

I strongly object to this proposed development.

The Hall route to the wind turbine is very unsuitable road for trucks (HGV's). Will ruin road, house foundations on route. Road built on bog. Not fair to home owners

Brendan Kilcullen
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Please Note - I would like an Oral Hearing.