

SITE NOTICE

Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála Strategic Infrastructure Development Longford County Council

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, we, Bord na Móna Powergen Limited, give notice of our intention to make an application to An Bord Pleanála for permission for a period of 10 years, for development comprising the construction of a wind farm and related works within the townlands of Cloonkeel, Ballynakill, Cloonbearla, Cloonbrock, Derryaroge, Mount Davys, Rappareehill, Cloonfore, Cloonfiugh, Barnacor (Ed Rathline), Grillagh (Moydow By), Derryad (Moydow By), Annaghbeg, Annaghmore, Derryart, Derryoghil, Ards, Corralough, Cloontamore, Derrygeel, Cloontabeg, Kilmaininlan, Derrynaskea, Derryshannoge, Derraghan More, Coolnahinch (Moydow By), Derryglogher, Mosstown (Rathcline By), Corlea and Derraghan Beg at Lanesborough, County Longford.

The development will consist of:

The construction of 24 no. wind turbines and ancillary works. The turbines will have a maximum blade tip height of 185m above the top of the foundation level and will be accessible from internal access routes within the site. Bord na Móna Powergen Limited intends to apply for a ten-year planning permission for the following:

- 24 no. wind turbines with an overall blade tip height of up to 185m and all associated hard-standing areas;
- 5 no. borrow pits;
- 3 No. permanent Anemometry Masts up to a height of 120m;
- Provision of new internal site access roads (permanent and temporary), passing bays, amenity cycleways, car parking and associated drainage;
- 1 no. 110kV electrical substation, including battery storage, which will be constructed at one of two proposed locations on site: either Option A in Cloonfore townland or Option B in Derraghan More townland. The electrical substation will have 2 no. control buildings, associated electrical plant and equipment, battery storage containers and a wastewater holding tank;
- 5 no. temporary construction compounds, in the townlands of Cloonfore, Cloontabeg, Derraghan More, and Rappareehill (2 no.);
- All associated underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the wind turbines to the proposed substation at either Option A in Cloonfore or Option B in Derraghan More;
- All works associated with the connection of the proposed wind farm to the national electricity grid, which will be either to the existing Lanesborough/Richmond 110 kV line via overhead line (Option A) or to the existing Lanesborough/Mullingar 110 kV line via an underground or overhead line (Option B);
- Removal of existing meteorological masts;
- New access junctions, improvements and temporary modifications to existing public road infrastructure to facilitate delivery of abnormal loads and construction access, including locations on the N6, N61, N63, R392, R398, L11554, L1136 roads, access onto the local road in the townland of Cloonkeel, access onto the local road in the townland of Mount Davys and amenity access from the Royal Canal Tow Path (off the L5239);
- All related site works and ancillary development; and
- A 10-year planning permission and 30-year operational life from the date of commissioning of the entire wind farm.

The overall site area is 1908ha. This application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report and a Natura Impact Statement.

The Planning Application and the Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Natura Impact Statement may be inspected, free of charge or purchased for a specified fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, during public opening hours for a period of 7 weeks commencing on February 7th 2019 at the following locations:

- The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902.
- The offices of the Longford County Council, Great Water Street, Longford, N39 NH56.

The application may also be viewed at/downloaded from the following website: www.derryadwindfarmplanning.ie

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála (the Board), at 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01V902 during the aforementioned period of 7 weeks relating to: (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned; (ii) the likely significant effects on the environment of the proposed development if carried out; (iii) the likely effects of the proposed development on a European Site, if carried out.

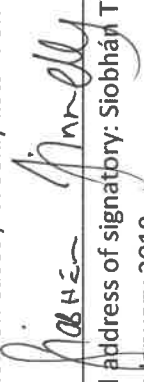
Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30pm on the 28th of March 2019 and must include the following information; (i) The name of the person making the submission or observation, the name 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; (ii) the subject matter of the submission or observation, and (iii) the reasons, consideration and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full. Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the board.

The Board may in respect of an application for permission decide to – (a); (i) grant the permission, or (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its permission 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 it of the foregoing kind and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or (b) refuse to grant permission.

The decision to hold an oral hearing on this planning application is at the absolute discretion of An Bord Pleanála.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Section of the Board (telephone no. 01-8588100). Any person may question the validity of any such decision of the board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules 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 under the heading “Judicial review of planning decisions” under the section titled “Information on cases / Weekly lists” . on the Board’s website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie.

Signed:



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Date: 31st January 2019