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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 37E, Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited
Address:	The Soloist 1 Lanyon Place Belfast Northern Ireland BT1 3LP
Telephone No:	c/o Agent (see Section 4)
Email Address (if any):	c/o Agent (see Section 4)
Fax Number (if any):	c/o Agent

3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	Heather Chalmers White Jonathan Cole Lindsay McQuade
Registered Address (of company)	The Soloist 1 Lanyon Place Belfast Northern Ireland BT1 3LP
Company Registration No.	NI028425
Telephone No.	c/o Agent
Email Address (if any):	c/o Agent
Fax Number (if any):	c/o Agent

4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name:	Jennings O'Donovan & Partners Limited
Address:	Finisklin Business Park Sligo F91 RHH9
Telephone No.	071 9161416
Mobile No. (if any)	-
Email address (if any)	bcoyle@jodireland.com
Fax Number (if any):	071 9161080

Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)

(Please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)

Yes: [] No:[]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Chris Toner: +44 7547 967 182

Conan Bonner: +44 7731 352 424

5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name:	Anthony McCoubrey
Firm / Company:	Jennings O’Donovan & Partners Limited
Address:	Finisklin Business Park Sligo F91 RHH9
Telephone No:	071 9161416
Mobile No:	-
Email Address (if any):	info@jodireland.com
Fax Number (if any):	071 9161416
Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.	
Please refer to attached Drawing Register. 3 hard copies and 7 electronic copies of each drawing are submitted with the application.	

6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)	Townlands of Keadew Upper, Cullionboy and Clogher, County Donegal.
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)	<p>OSI 1:50,000 Discovery Series tiles: 1838 & 2038 Discovery Series Map No. 11</p> <p>Centre of Windfarm Site: E603699, N882308 ITM.</p> <p>Golagh Tee Grid Connection at Clogher: E600389, N882284 ITM.</p> <p>L-2095-6 / L-2015-1 Junction & Road: E599204, N880373 ITM.</p>
Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided.	
Area of site to which the application relates in hectares	<p>Windfarm: 423.35 ha</p> <p>Golagh Tee Grid Connection at Clogher: 0.79 ha</p> <p>L-2095-6 / L-2015-1 Junction: 0.55 ha.</p>
Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:	Not zoned.
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:	Operational Windfarm.
Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:	Donegal County Council.

7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner ✓ Windfarm site	Occupier
	Other ✓ Grid Connection & Haul Route Works	
Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
<p>Grid Connection – ESB Networks already have legacy land rights throughout this area that would be sufficient to undertake the Development.</p> <p>Haul Route Works - commercial purchase agreement has been reached subject to legal contract.</p>		
If you are not the legal owner , please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.		
Letters of Consent from the landowners have been provided to the applicant for this planning application (enclosed).		
Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.		
ScottishPower Renewables (UK) Limited own the lands surrounding the proposed development. The extent of this landholding is shown on Drawing No. 5952-000-001 Landowner Boundary Map, included in the Planning Drawings that accompanies this application.		

8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):

Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?

Yes: [] No: []

If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:

Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?

Yes: [] No: []

If yes, please give details:

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?

Yes: [] No: []

If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications

Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála
95/914	Erection of 26 no. 40m hub height wind turbine masts, transformer compound with associated single storey switch room building and service roads at Keadew Upper and Cullionboy, Co. Donegal.	Permission Granted by Donegal County Council and appealed to An Bord Pleanála by a Third Party.
PL 05. 098236	Planning granted an appeal for the construction of 26 no. turbines.	Permission Granted by An Bord Pleanála on the 16 th August 1996.
19-50357	Construction of a 6 MW battery energy storage system.	Permission Granted by Donegal County Council on the 10 th May 2019.

If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.

Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?

Yes: [] No:[]

If yes please specify

An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: _____

9. Description of the Proposed Development:

<p>Brief description of nature and extent of development</p>	<p>The proposed development will constitute the provision of the following:</p> <p><u>Proposed Development at the existing Barnesmore Windfarm site, Keadew Upper and Cullionboy, Co. Donegal:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">(i) Decommissioning and removal of 25 no. existing wind turbines and reinstatement of the redundant site infrastructure including site roads of 600m in length;(ii) Construction and erection of up to 13 no. wind turbines each with maximum overall ground to blade tip heights of up to 180 metres and associated crane hardstandings and wind turbine foundations;(iii) Upgrade of the existing site access roads and provision of 188m of new site access road;(iv) Upgrade of the existing Golagh 110 kV electrical substation and compound to include for an expansion of the footprint to accommodate an EirGrid control building, a new IPP control building, car parking, grid transformer, 110kV cable chair, outdoor electrical plant and equipment, security boundary and perimeters fencing, wastewater holding tanks, groundwater well and the removal of the existing overhead line connection and demolition of the existing IPP control building;(v) Upgrade works associated with the existing 110kV grid connection including the undergrounding of a 1.15 km section of the existing 110 kV overhead power line, the construction of a new cable interface tower on the existing Golagh Tee 110kV overhead line, underground cable connection in the existing site access track from the new cable interface tower to the upgraded Golagh Substation and removal of the existing angle mast and end mast towers;(vi) 1 no. permanent meteorological mast up to 30 m in height, including a foundation, underground power and communication cabling and security fencing;(vii) Temporary Contractors Construction Compound;(viii) Site drainage network;(ix) Internal wind farm underground power and communications cabling;
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	<p>(x) A 15 Megawatt Energy Storage Facility and associated electrical plant, equipment and security fencing; and</p> <p>(xi) All associated site development and ancillary works.</p> <p><u>Proposed Development at the existing Golagh Tee Grid Connection, Clogher, Co. Donegal:</u></p> <p>(i) Upgrade works associated with the existing 110kV grid connection including the construction of a new Cable Interface Tower under the existing Golagh Tee 110kV overhead line, underground cable connection from the new interface tower to Clogher 110kV GIS Substation, removal of the hard tee-connection between Cathaleen’s Fall-Letterkenny 110kV overhead line and Cathaleen’s Fall-Golagh Tee 110kV OHL, removal of the existing end mast tower and termination of the existing conductor to the new proposed cable interface tower;</p> <p>(ii) All associated site development and ancillary works.</p> <p><u>Proposed Development on the L-2095-6 / L-2015-1 junction and the L-2015-1 Local Road, County Donegal:</u></p> <p>(i) Widening of the L-2095-6 / L-2015-1 junction to accommodate the delivery of turbine components along with the relocation of an existing electricity/telecommunications pole;</p> <p>(ii) Widening of the L-2015-1 road to accommodate the delivery of turbine components;</p> <p>All associated site development and ancillary works.</p>
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10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m ²

11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m ²	Existing IPP Control Building: 45.36m ²
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	IPP Control Building: 93.97 m ² TSO Control Building:158.13 m ²
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A

12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses							
Apartments							
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:	Proposed:			Total:	

13. Social Housing:

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		✓
<p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000⁸, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000⁹, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.</p>		

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)
Electricity Generation.
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
Electricity Generation.
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).
Proposed repowering of the existing operational Barnesmore Windfarm and related works (refer to section 9 for a description of the proposed development).

15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?			✓
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?			✓
Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?			✓
Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.			✓
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?		✓	
Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?		✓	
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?		✓	
Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?			✓
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license			✓
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?			✓
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?			✓
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?			✓
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?			✓

16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): _____ Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): _____
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/> Other on site treatment system: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please Specify: Wastewater to be retained in a sealed storage tanks and tankered off-site by a permitted waste collector to a wastewater treatment plant.
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/> Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please specify: On site drainage including trackside drainage channels, settlement ponds and buffered outfalls as shown on Drawing No.'s 5952-200-201 – 5952-200-207.

17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication Irish Independent – 23 rd December 2019 Donegal Democrat – 24 th December 2019 Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No: []
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
The locations of the site notices are shown on Drawing No. 5952-000-000, included in the Planning Drawings that accompany this application. Date of erection of site notices: 24/12/2019 Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No: []
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
Website Address: www.barnesmorewindfarm.com

18. Pre-application Consultation:

Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála 26/06/19 and 24/07/19.
Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. Enclosed: See the schedule of additional pre-application consultation attached. Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No: []
Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification. Enclosed: See the schedule of prescribed bodies attached (as recommended by An Bord Pleanála, correspondence dated 12 th September 2019). Copies of the notifications are also attached. Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No: []


19. Confirmation Notice:

Copy of Confirmation Notice
Please see attached copy of the confirmation notice.

20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable	€100,000
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I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	
Date:	24 th December 2019

General Guidance Note:

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

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