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The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1

Re: Planning Application for Strategic Infrastructure Development under Section 37E of The Planning and Development Act 2000 (As Amended) (An Bord Pleanála Ref. ABP-306727-20)

Dear Sir/Madam,

Enclosed please find an application on behalf of our client, Shronowen Wind Farm Limited, for permission in respect of a proposed wind energy development consisting of 12 wind turbines, substation, grid connection and ancillary site works, in the townlands of Ballyline West, Coolkeragh, Dromalivaun and Tullamore Co. Kerry.

The Planning Application follows on from a pre-application consultation with An Bord Pleanála (the "Board") regarding whether or not a wind farm of 12 turbines with a proposed output of 50.4MW, including hardstand areas and access roads, 110kV substation (within the site boundaries) with an underground cable connection to the national grid, peat deposition areas, meteorological mast, off-site turbine haulage route, and replacement lands for felled forestry constitutes strategic infrastructure development, as defined by the Planning and Development Act, 2000 (as amended) (the "Act"). Having considered the proposal, the Board determined that the proposed development satisfies the requirements set out in Section 37A(1) of the Act and falls within the scope of section 37A(2)(a) and (b) of the Act, and that a planning application should be made directly to the Board. A copy of the determination is enclosed with this application.

The Applicant is therefore applying to the Board under Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) for the following:

- Twelve (12) No. Wind Turbines (maximum turbine tip height 150m) with associated foundations and crane hardstand areas.
- One (1) No. Permanent Meteorological Mast (90m height) and associated foundation and hardstand area.



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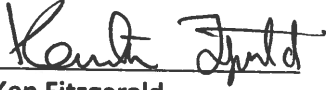
- New and upgraded internal site service roads (4.43km of existing tracks to be upgraded and 6.85km of new internal access tracks to be constructed).
- Underground 33kV electric cabling systems between turbines within the wind farm site and wind farm substation.
- (Six 6) No. peat deposition areas located across the wind farm site.
- Two (2) No. site entrances – one permanent and one temporary.
- 225m underground cable connection from the 110kV wind farm substation to the existing 110kV transmission line due east of the wind farm site.
- One (1) No. proposed 110kV substation including: an outdoor electrical yard, two single storey buildings (one for the system operator and one for the wind farm operator) containing associated facilities (control, switchgear and metering rooms, welfare facilities, workshop and office). Security fencing and all associated works.
- New junction off the L-6021 at the north east of the site to facilitate construction and access.
- New junction off the L-1009 on the west of the site to facilitate construction and access.
- Two (2) No. Temporary construction site compounds (95m x 50m and 55m x 25m in size).
- Associated surface water management systems.
- Tree felling of 3.15ha of conifer trees to facilitate site development.
- Temporary works on sections of the public road network along the turbine delivery route (including hedge or tree cutting, relocation of powerlines/poles, lampposts, signage and local road widening)

The application includes the following documentation:

- 1) Completed Application Form
- 2) Landowner Consent Letters
- 3) ESRI shapefile of application site boundary in the Irish Transverse Mercator co-ordinate reference system
- 4) Schedule of planning application drawings
- 5) Planning application drawings
- 6) Original and copy of public newspaper notice published in the *Irish Independent*
- 7) Original and Copy of public newspaper notice published in the *Kerryman*
- 8) Copy of Site Notice in English
- 9) Schedule of Pre-application Consultation
- 10) Copy of the Pre-application Determination
- 11) Schedule of Prescribed bodies to whom notification of the application has been sent
- 12) Sample copy of the notification to the Prescribed bodies
- 13) Copy of the confirmation notice to the EIA Portal
- 14) Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR):
 - Volume 1: Non-Technical Summary
 - Volume 2: Main EIAR
 - Volume 3: Appendices
 - Volume 4: Photomontages
- 15) Natura Impact Statement (NIS)
- 16) Policy and Planning Context Report
- 17) CD copy of all application documents
- 18) Application fee to the amount of €100,000 – paid by bank transfer on the 7th of January 2020. (copy of the Bank Transfer confirmation is attached)

Should you have any queries in relation to the enclosed information please contact the undersigned.

Sincerely


Ken Fitzgerald,
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