

**SCHEDULE 8 – SCHEDULE OF PRESCRIBED BODIES AND SAMPLE
NOTICE SENT TO PRESCRIBED BODIES**

Schedule - Prescribed Bodies to whom Notification of Direct Application to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development (Amendments to Upperchurch Windfarm) was sent on 6th May 2021.

- The Minister, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Custom House, Dublin D01 W6X0
- The Manager, Developments Applications Unit, National Parks and Wildlife Services, Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage, Newtown Road, Wexford Y35 AP90
- The Minister, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
Agriculture House, Kildare Street, Dublin D02 WK12
- Geological Survey of Ireland, Haddington Rd, Beggars Bush, Dublin D04 K7X4
- Department of Environment, Climate and Communications, 29-31 Adelaide Road, Dublin D02 X285
- The Minister, Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media, 23 Kildare Street, Dublin D02 TD30
- The Minister, Department of Transport, Leeson Lane, Dublin D02 TR60
- Irish Water, PO BOX 860, South City Delivery Office, Cork City
- Inland Fisheries Ireland, Anglesea Street, Clonmel, County Tipperary E91 RD25
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland, Parkgate Business Centre, Parkgate Street, Dublin 8, D08 DK10
- Environmental Protection Agency, PO Box 3000, Johnstown Castle Estate, Wexford Y35 W821
- The Heritage Council, Church Lane, Kilkenny R95 X264
- An Taisce (Advocacy Unit), Tailors' Hall, Back Lane, Dublin D08 X2A3
- An Chomhairle Ealaíonn (Arts Council of Ireland), 70 Merrion Square South, Dublin D02 NY52
- Fáilte Ireland, 88 - 95 Amiens Street, Dublin D01 WR86
- Irish Aviation Authority, The Times Building, 11-12 D'Olier Street, Dublin D02 T449
- Health Services Executive, Environmental Health Service (HSE West), Civic Offices Limerick Road,
Nenagh, County Tipperary
- FAO Workplace Contact Unit, Health and Safety Authority, Metropolitan Building, James Joyce Street, Dublin D01 K0Y8
- Office of Public Works, Head Office, Jonathon Swift Street, Trim, County Meath C15 NX36

Our Ref: UWF PLT 2021

ABP Case Number: ABP- 307690-20

Chief Executive
Tipperary County Council
Civic Offices
Nenagh
County Tipperary

7th May, 2021

Re: Cover Letter to Planning Application Pack

Direct application to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development for Proposed Larger Turbines and Meteorological Masts at Authorised Upperchurch Windfarm, County Tipperary.

A chara,

FIND ENCLOSED COPIES OF THE PLANNING APPLICATION FOR PROPOSED LARGER TURBINES AND METEOROLOGICAL MASTS AT AUTHORISED UPPERCHURCH WINDFARM.

Upperchurch Windfarm (including twenty-two wind turbines and two meteorological masts) is authorised, but not constructed for a location near Upperchurch, Thurles, County Tipperary. *An Bord Pleanála file Ref. PL22.243040; Tipperary County Council file Ref. 13/510003.*

The planning application is being made directly to An Bord Pleanála as Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) under the provisions of Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended.

In summary, this Application is a proposal to;

- a) Increase the size of the authorised wind turbines from upto 126.6 meters maximum blade tip height to wind turbines upto 152 meters maximum blade tip height, by increasing the wind turbine hub heights to within a range of between 89 meters and 94 meters in height and increasing the wind turbine rotor diameters to within a range of between 112 meters and 117 meters in diameter;



- b) Amend the height and design of the two previously authorised meteorological masts from tubular tower masts upto 80 meters in height to lattice tower masts upto 93.5 meters in height.

All other elements of the authorised windfarm will remain unchanged. The application is accompanied by Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR 2021) and Natura Impact Statement (AA Report 2021).

I enclose 2 electronic copies of the Planning Application Pack; hard copy of the Planning Application Form and 5 hard copies of the documentation relating to the Planning Application.

The Application Documents are also available to view/download on the stand alone project website upperchurchwindfarmamendments.ie.

Eleven Public Site Notices of the Application, were erected on 6th May, 2021 at the previously authorised site entrances from public roads. Notices have also been published in the Irish Examiner and the Tipperary Star newspapers, both dated 6th May, 2021.

Notice of the application can be found on the EIA Portal hosted by the Department of Housing, Planning and Local Government. The EIA Portal ID is 2021084.

Prescribed Bodies were notified on 6th May, 2021 of the making of the Application.

Please Note that the Board requires that Tipperary County Council shall make available to the public and other interested bodies, all documents relating to the Planning Application including the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR 2021) and Natura Impact Statement (AA Report 2021), for inspection free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such copy), during public opening hours of your offices, **for a period of seven weeks commencing on 14th May 2021**. Submissions must be made in writing to An Bord Pleanála and accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than **5.30 pm on the 2nd July 2021**. Submissions can only be made to An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.

I trust that you have all the information you require, if you have any queries on the documents and copies submitted, please contact the undersigned at pk@ecopower.ie or 086 8399 193 or 056 775 0140 (ext. 201).

Yours Sincerely

Philomena Kenealy (director Ecopower Developments Limited)



Department of Communications, Climate Action & Environment
29-31 Adelaide Road,
Dublin
D02 X285

6TH May, 2021

Re: ABP Case Number: ABP-307690-20

Direct application to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

Dear Sir/Madam,

Please be advised that Ecopower Developments Limited intends to apply to An Bord Pleanála for permission for the proposed development of;

Amendments to the authorised, but not constructed twenty-two turbine Upperchurch Windfarm (previously authorised under An Bord Pleanála file Ref. PL22.243040; Tipperary County Council file Ref. 13/510003) near Upperchurch, Thurles, County Tipperary.

It is proposed to;

- a) Increase the size of the authorised wind turbines from upto 126.6 meters maximum blade tip height to wind turbines upto 152 meters maximum blade tip height, by increasing the wind turbine hub heights to within a range of between 89 meters and 94 meters in height and increasing the wind turbine rotor diameters to within a range of between 112 meters and 117 meters in diameter;
- b) Amend the height and design of the two previously authorised meteorological masts from tubular tower masts upto 80 meters in height to lattice tower masts upto 93.5 meters in height.

All other elements of the authorised windfarm will remain unchanged. This application is accompanied by Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR 2021) and Natura Impact Statement (AA Report 2021).

A copy of the application is enclosed for your information. The Application Documents are also available to view/download on the dedicated website upperchurchwindfarmamendments.ie and also at the public offices of;

An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 and
Tipperary County Council, Civic Offices, Nenagh, County Tipperary.



Please note that An Bord Pleanála, following its consideration of the application can decide to:

- a) (i) grant the permission, or
- (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision 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 the permission.

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála ('the Board') 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 and relating to-

- (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development, and
- (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- (iii) the likely significant effects or adverse effects on the integrity of a European site,

if the development is carried out.

Any submissions/observations on the application, must be received by the Board **not later than 5.30pm on the 2nd July, 2021.**

I trust that you have all the information you require, if you have any queries on the project or the documents copy attached, please contact the undersigned at pk@ecopower.ie or 086 8399 193 or 056 775 0140 (ext. 201).

Yours sincerely

Philomena Kenealy, EIAR 2021 Co-ordinator