Our Case Number: ABP-306261-19

Your Reference: Bracklyn Wind Farm Limited - BRK001SIDPAC



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Galetech Energy Services Clondargan, Stradone, Co. Cavan H12 NV06

Date: 04 August 2021

Re: Proposed 11 no turbine wind farm and 110kilovolt (kV) loop-in/loop-out electricity substation.

Bracklyn, Co. Westmeath.

Dear Sir / Madam,

Please be advised that following consultations under section 37B of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, the Board hereby serves notice under section 37B(4)(a) that it is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of paragraphs 37A(2)(a), (b) and (c) of the Act. Accordingly, the Board has decided that the proposed development would be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of section 37A of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. Any application for permission for the proposed development must therefore be made directly to An Bord Pleanála under section 37E of the Act.

Please also be informed that the Board considers that the pre-application consultation process in respect of this proposed development is now closed.

Attached is a list of prescribed bodies to be notified of the application for the proposed development.

In accordance with section 146(5) of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended, the Board will make available for inspection and purchase at its offices the documents relating to the decision within 3 working days following its decision. This information is normally made available on the list of decided cases on the website on the Wednesday following the week in which the decision is made.

The attachment contains information in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of An Bord Pleanála under the provisions of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

If you have any queries in relation to the matter please contact the undersigned officer of the Board.

Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,

Niamh Thornton Executive Officer

Direct Line: 01-8737247

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Prescribed Bodies

The following is a schedule of prescribed bodies considered relevant for the purposes of Section 37E (3) (c) of the Principal Act.

- i. Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- ii. Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sports and Media (DAU)
- iii. Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- iv. Minister for Environment, Climate and Communications
- v. Minister for Transport
- vi. Eastern and Midland Regional Assembly
- vii. Meath County Council
- viii. Westmeath County Council
- ix. Irish Water
- x. Inland Fisheries Ireland
- xi. Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- xii. Environmental Protection Agency
- xiii. The Heritage Council
- xiv. An Taisce
- xv. An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- xvi. Failte Ireland
- xvii. Irish Aviation Authority
- xviii. Health & Safety Authority

Further notifications should also be made where deemed appropriate.

