

White Hill Wind Farm

Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Annex 1.3: Strategic Infrastructure Development Determination

White Hill Wind Limited

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Our Case Number: ABP-312224-21

Your Reference: White Hill Wind Limited



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H12 NV06

Date: 25 July 2022

Re: Proposed 7 turbine wind farm with a predicted output of 50.4 megawatts (mw)

Ridge (Ridge E.D), Knocknabranagh and Knockbaun, and Baunreagh Co. Carlow and Coolcullen,

Co. Kilkenny

Dear Sir,

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.

In accordance with the fees payable to the Board and where not more than one pre-application meeting is held in the determination of a case, a refund of €3,500 is payable to the person who submitted the pre-application consultation fee. As only one meeting was required in this case, a refund of €3,500 will be sent to you in due course.

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,

Sarah Caulfield

Executive Officer

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Appendix - List of prescribed bodies

The following list identifies the prescribed bodies which are considered relevant in this instance:

- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- An Taisce
- Carlow County Council
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities
- Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Department of the Environment, Climate and Communications
- Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage
- Department of Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media
- Fáilte Ireland
- Health Service Executive
- Heritage Council
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Kilkenny County Council
- Office of Public Works
- Southern Regional Assembly
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland

