

# SITE NOTICE

## Planning and Development Acts 2000 to 2022 Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development, County Mayo

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Sheskin South Renewables Power DAC, gives notice of its intention to make an application to An Bord Pleanála for a ten-year planning permission for the following proposed development in the townland of Sheskin, Co. Mayo.

The proposed development will constitute of the following:

- I. Construction of 21 no. wind turbines and associated hardstand areas with the following parameters:
  - a. A total tip height of 200 metres,
  - b. Hub height of 115 metres, and
  - c. Rotor diameter of 170 metres
- II. All associated underground electrical and communications cabling;
- III. 1 no. Meteorological Mast of 115 metres in height, and associated hardstanding area;
- IV. Upgrade of existing tracks and roads, provision of new permanent site access roads, upgrade of 2 no. existing site entrances, construction of 1 no. new site entrance;
- V. 2 no. borrow pits;
- VI. 12 no. permanent peat placement areas;
- VII. 4 no. temporary construction compounds with temporary site offices and staff facilities;
- VIII. Permanent recreation and amenity works, including marked trails, seating areas, viewing point, amenity car park, and associated amenity signage;
- IX. Site Drainage;
- X. Site Signage;
- XI. Ancillary Forestry Felling to facilitate construction and operation of the proposed development;
- XII. All works associated with the habitat enhancement and biodiversity management within the wind farm site; and
- XIII. All associated site development works and ancillary infrastructure.

This application is seeking a ten-year permission and 35-year operational life from the date of commissioning of the renewable energy development.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany the planning application. The planning application, Environmental Impact Assessment Report and Natura Impact Statement may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902 (9:15am – 5:30pm, Monday – Friday)
- The Offices of Mayo County Council, Áras an Chontae, The Mall, Castlebar, County Mayo, F23 WF90 (9:30am-1:00pm; 2:00pm-4:30pm, Monday – Friday)

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: [www.sheskinsouthwfplanning.com](http://www.sheskinsouthwfplanning.com). Submissions or Observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála (“the Board”) 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 or via the Board’s website <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations> during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks 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 effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30pm on the 25<sup>th</sup> April 2023. Such submissions/observations must also include the following information:

- The name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating the application should be sent,
- The subject matter of the submission or observation, and
- The reasons, considerations and arguments on which the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers)

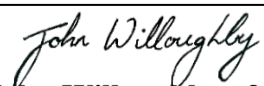
Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Board. The Board may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (refer to ‘A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development’ at [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie))

The Board may in respect of an application for permission 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 the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
- b) Refuse to grant the permission

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Bord Pleanála (Tel. 01-8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No. 691 of 2011), in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Practical Information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Boards website ([www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie)) under the following heading: Legal Notices – Judicial Review Notice. This information is also available on the Citizens Information Service website [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie)

<b>Signed</b>	 <b>John Willoughby of MKO, Tuam Road, Galway (Agent)</b>	<b>Date of Erection of site Notice: 28<sup>th</sup> February 2023</b>
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