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SECTION 131 FORM

Appeal NO: ABP 318723 - 23Defer Re O/H ☐Having considered the contents of the submission dated/ received 22/1/24
fromRichard Bohan I recommend that section 131 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000
be/not be invoked at this stage for the following reason(s): No new material planning issuesE.O.: Daniel & CorcoranDate: 31/1/24

For further consideration by SEO/SAO

Section 131 not to be invoked at this stage. ☐Section 131 to be invoked – allow 2/4 weeks for reply. ☐

S.E.O.: _____

Date: _____

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Date: _____

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Please prepare BP _____ - Section 131 notice enclosing a copy of the attached
submission

to: _____ Task No: _____

Allow 2/3/4 weeks – BP _____

EO: _____

Date: _____

AA: _____

Date: _____

AN BORD PLEANÁLA
LDG- 069402-24
ABP- _____
22 JAN 2024
Fee: € 50.00 Type: Pmo
Time: 9.00 By: Post

Pillagh,
Moycullen,
Co. Galway.

18/01/2024

The Secretary,
An Bord Pleanála,
64 Marlborough Street,
Dublin 1,
D01 V902.

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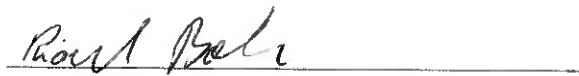
I wish to make an observation to the ongoing planning appeal under Bord Pleanála Case Reference PL07.318723. The proposed development is located at Knockranny, Ardderroo, Letter, Moycullen, Co. Galway. The Local Authority, Galway County Council, granted the proposed development at issue under Case Reference 23225. This development is described on the An Bord Pleanála's website as "Alterations to the Cnoc Raithní (Knockranny) Wind Farm (Galway County Council pl. ref. no. 13/829 & ABP ref: 07.243094) comprising 11 wind turbines. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) & Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared & will be submitted to the planning authority with the application."

I am a resident in the area of the proposed development. I make this observation objecting to the grant of planning permission for the above proposed development on the basis of concerns regarding environmental protection and public safety and well-being. In support of this observation, I refer An Board Pleanála to my submission (attached) made to Galway County Council (04/07/2023) objecting to the proposed development under Planning Application Reference 23255. The main concerns highlighted in this submission relate to negative ecological, visual, material, health and well-being impacts caused by the proposed development. Of particular concern are the negative impacts relating to noise and water pollution. Unfortunately, the concerns highlighted still remain of issue.

Insufficient details regarding Case Reference PL07.318723 are published on An (Board Pleanála's website. I request that, as experts on behalf of the public, An Bord Pleanála ensures its assessment of the planning application and subsequent decision is fully consistent with all required environmental protection and planning legislation. Of particular concern are assessments provided for under the provisions of the Birds and Habitats, the Environmental Impact Assessment, and the Water Framework Directives.

Enclosed please find a postal order for the required observation fee of 50 euro. Please acknowledge receipt of this observation and keep me updated on the progress of this case.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Richard Bohan', is written over a horizontal line.

Richard Bohan

04/07/2023



Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe
Galway County Council

RICHARD AND ELIZABETH BOHAN
PILLAGH
MOYCULLEN
CO GALWAY

TAG: Uimh. Thag. Pleanála:
RE: Planning ref. no.:

23/225 - PERMISSION for the following: (1) Alterations to the Cnoc Raithní (Knockranny) Wind Farm (Galway County Council Planning Ref. No. 13/829 and An Bord Pleanála Ref: 07.243094 comprising 11 no. wind turbines with an overall ground to blade tip height of 150m (an increase of 19.5m & 9.5m from 130.5m & 140.5m, as previously permitted), a rotor blade length of 68m or 69m & a hub height of 81m or 82m; associated increase in turbine foundations; & omission of permitted on-site 110kV substation & underground cabling; (2) Provision of underground electrical (33kV) & communications cabling connecting the 11 no. wind turbines to the Ardderroo wind farm substation for the purposes of connection to the national grid, including a new cable service track (with watercourse/culvert crossings) & widening of an existing access road; extension of the Ardderroo substation within the existing substation compound, including control building extension, new 110kV transformer & electrical plant & apparatus; (3) All associated site development & ancillary works above & below ground in support of the above, including site drainage & tree felling; (4) An operational period & planning permission duration to align with the existing permission (An Bord Pleanála Ref: 07.243094) is sought. An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) & Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared & will be submitted to the Planning Authority with the application
i mbaile fearainn / in the townland of : Knockranny, Ardderroo, Letter

RIALACHÁIN PLEANÁLA AGUS FORBARTHA, 2001-2002

ADMHÁIL ar AIGHNEACHT nó TUAIRIM atá FAIGHTE ar IARRATAS PLEANÁLA

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT REGULATIONS, 2001-2002

ACKNOWLEDGEMENT of RECEIPT of SUBMISSION or OBSERVATION on a PLANNING APPLICATION

IS DOICIMÉAD THÁBHACHTACH É SEO!

COINNIGH AN DOICIMÉAD SEO GO SÁBHÁILTE. BEIDH ORT AN ADMHÁIL SEO A THAISPEÁINT DON BHORD PLEANÁLA MÁ SMIAN LEAT ACHOMHAIRC A DHÉANAMH AR CHINNEADH AN ÚDARÁIS PLEANÁLA

THIS IS AN IMPORTANT DOCUMENT!

KEEP THIS DOCUMENT SAFELY. YOU WILL BE REQUIRED TO PRODUCE THIS ACKNOWLEDGEMENT TO AN BORD PLEANÁLA IF YOU WISH TO APPEAL THE DECISION OF THE PLANNING AUTHORITY

Tá aighneacht/tuairim faighte i scríbhinn ó RICHARD AND ELIZABETH BOHAN ar an 04/07/2023 maidir leis an iarratas pleanála thuas.

Tá an táille cuí de €20 íoctha.

Tá an t-aighneacht/tuairim de réir na forálacha cuí de na Rialacháin um Pleanáil agus Forbairt, 2001 agus cuirfidh an tÚdarás Pleanála san áireamh iad nuair atá cinneadh dhá dhéanamh ar an iarratas pleanála.

AIRE

Tabhair faoi deara gur é an dáta is déanaí do chinneadh ar an gcomhad seo ná 26/07/2023

Má tharlaíonn sé nach bhfaigheann tú fógra maidir leis an gcinneadh seo laistigh de 3 – 5 lá den dáta thuas, déan teagmháil leis an oifig seo ar an bpointe ag 091 509 308 nó ar ríomhphost ag planning@galwaycoco.ie, chun a chinntiú go gcloíonn tú le sprioc amanna achomhairc an Bhord Pleanála.

A submission/observation in writing has been received from RICHARD AND ELIZABETH BOHAN on 04/07/2023 in relation to the above planning application.

The appropriate fee of € 20 has been paid.

The submission/observation is in accordance with the appropriate provisions of the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 and will be taken into account by the planning authority in its determination of the planning application.

N.B

Please note that the latest date for decision on this file is 26/07/2023

Should you not receive notification of this decision within 3 – 5 days of the above date, please contact this office immediately at 091 509 308 or email at planning@galwaycoco.ie, in order to ensure that you meet an Bord Pleanála appeal deadlines.

E. Kennedy

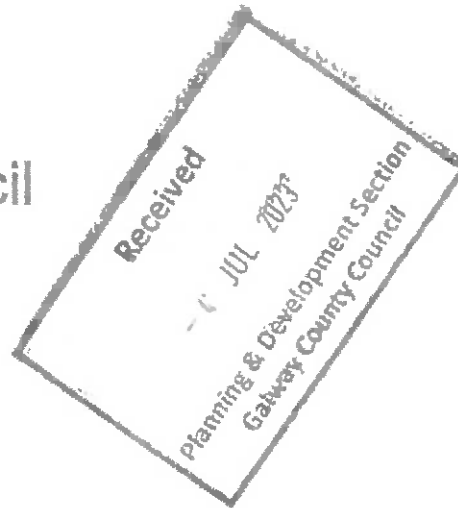
Administrative Officer, Planning

EO
R. 453565

Planner CL
DD 26/7/23

Richard & Elizabeth Bohan,
Pillagh,
Moycullen,
Co. Galway.

Planning Section
Galway County Council
Prospect Hill
Galway



4th July 2023

Planning Application Reference 23-225

We are writing to you to express our strong objection to the proposed construction of 11 wind turbines at Knockranny, Moycullen, Co. Galway.

Firstly the visual impact of the Wind Turbines is an undeniable concern. Our area is known for it's scenic beauty. The

installation of these towering wind turbines would mar the landscape and drastically alter the character of our environment. These would also impact on our property values.

Furthermore the noise pollution caused by these wind turbines is a matter of grave concern. Numerous studies have shown that wind turbines generate considerable levels of noise, particularly at lower frequencies. This relentless noise can have detrimental impact on the physical and mental well being of the residents in close proximity which include sleep disturbances, increased stress levels and decreased quality of life.

In addition the ecological impact cannot be ignored. Birds and bats are vital components of our ecosystem and are particularly vulnerable to the presence of

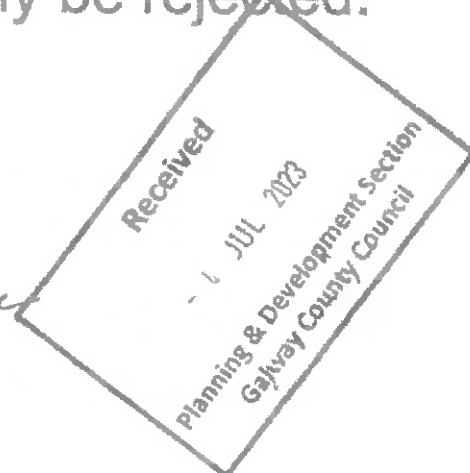
wind turbines. They also pose a significant threat to avian species including endangered and protected ones as they are prone to collisions with rotating wind turbine blades.

Shadow Flicker The constant flickering of shadows caused by the rotating turbine blades is not only visually disturbing but can also lead to migraines and sleep disturbances. It will cause a huge disruption in our home.

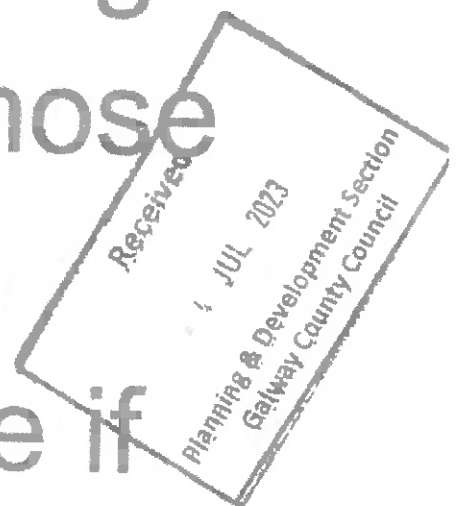
We strongly object to this application on these grounds and ask that the proposed Windfarm at Knockranny be rejected.

Yours sincerely

El Bohan
Richard Bohan

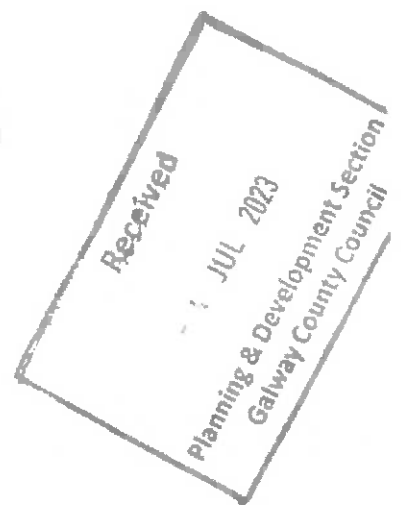


I live close to the Windfarm Park here in Moycullen. We have enough of them, time people who grant planning permission for those looked at the environment side if this application. For more the lakes and

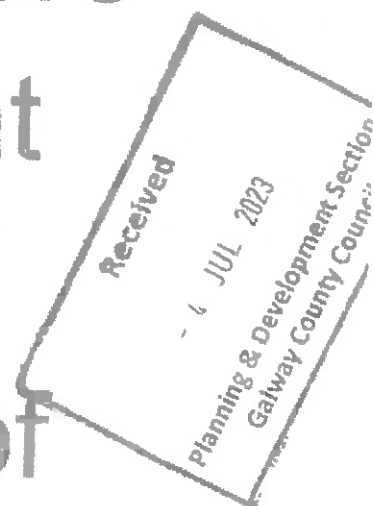


14/07/2023
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into Rosslake sac



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Ballyquirke lake sac
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Lough Corrib. There
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plant been build
there for the city of
Galway and we
know problems with
water in lough SAC
and NHA. I am



thinking of the next
generation not
myself.

Sincerely

Richard Bah

