



An
Bord
Pleanála

Application Form for Permission / Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	37E of the Planning and Development Act
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	Ballycar Green Energy Ltd.
Address:	Unit 4, Station Road, Adare, Co. Limerick. V94 0Y50.
Telephone No:	061 975 200
Email Address (if any):	info@ballycargreenenergy.ie

3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	Damien Courtney Patrick Mohr
Registered Address (of company)	Unit 4, Station Road, Adare, Co. Limerick. V94 0Y50.
Company Registration No.	752737
Telephone No.	061 975 200
Email Address (if any)	info@ballycargreenenergy.ie

4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name:	Caoimhe O' Connor (Malachy Walsh and Partners)
Address:	Reen Point, Blennerville, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92 X2TK, Ireland
Telephone No.	066 712 3404
Mobile No. (if any)	n/a
Email address (if any)	Caoimhe.o'connor@mwp.ie

Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)

(Please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)

Yes: [] No:[]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

John O’ Connor (086 0333222)

5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name:	Paddy Curran of Malachy Walsh and Partners Damien Browne of TLI Group
Firm / Company:	Malachy Walsh and Partners TLI Group
Address:	Malachy Walsh and Partners, Reen Point, Blennerville, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92 X2TK. TLI Group, Beenreigh, Abbeydorney, Tralee, Co. Kerry, V92 YE97.
Telephone No:	Malachy Walsh and Partners: 066 712 3404 TLI Group: 066 713 5710
Mobile No:	n/a
Email Address (if any):	info@mwp.ie info@tli.ie
Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. Drawing Schedule attached please see Appendix 1.	

6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)	Within the townlands of Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar South, Ballycar North and Glennagross (or se Glenagross, Glennacross), Co. Clare.	
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)	OSI SHEET NO: 4622-A, 4622-C, 4622-B, 4563-C, 4562-D, 4621-B, 4562-C, 4562-A & 4562 ITM: 555435, 663250	
Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided. Shapefile included in Memory Sticks with all PDF drawings.		
Area of site to which the application relates in hectares	104.7ha	
Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:	Zoning as per Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029, Clare Wind Energy Strategy: Strategic	
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:	Existing: Agricultural and commercial forestry. Proposed: Agricultural, commercial forestry and wind energy.	
Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:	Clare County Council	

7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner	Occupier
	Other ✓	
Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
The Applicant has obtained the necessary consent from the landowners. Consent letters are enclosed with this application.		
If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.		
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Andrew and Geraldine Dundas, Dromin, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare. • Ciaran O' Connell, Ballycar, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare. • John O' Connell, Ballycar, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare. • Christopher Spaight, Glennagross, Meelick, Co. Clare. • Catherine and Gerard Lynch, Ballycar, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare. • Kieran Ahern, Cappateemore, Meelick, Co. Clare. • PJ Donnellan, Ballycar, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare. • Irish Forestry Unit Trust Nominees Limited, Unit 5 Woodford Court, Woodford Business Park, Dublin 17. • Coillte Cuideachta Ghniomhaiochta Ainmnithe, Dublin Road, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow. 		
Please refer to Appendix 2 of this form for Landowner Consent Letters		
Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.		
No.		

8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):

Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?

Yes: [] No: [✓]

If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:

Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?

Yes: [] No:[✓]

If yes, please give details:

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?		
Yes: [] No: [✓]		
If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications		
Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála
If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.		
Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?		
Yes: [] No:[✓]		
If yes please specify		
An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: _____		

9. Description of the Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development	<p>The proposed development for which permission under Section 37E is being sought will include the following:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12 No. Wind Turbines (blade tip height up to 158m). Eleven of the turbines will have a hub height of 90m and a blade length of 68m and one turbine (T10) will have a hub height of 82m and a blade length of 68m. • 12 No. Wind Turbine foundations and hardstand areas. • 1 No. Permanent Meteorological Mast (90m height) and foundation and associated hardstand areas.
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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1 No. Electrical Substation (110kV) including associated ancillary buildings, security fencing and all associated works. • 2 No. Developed Site Entrances, one temporary entrance to facilitate construction traffic and one permanent entrance. • New and upgraded internal site access tracks. • Provision of an on-site Visitor cabin and parking. • All associated underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the proposed turbines to the proposed onsite substation. • Laying of approximately 1.5km of underground electricity cabling to facilitate the connection to the national grid from the proposed onsite substation to connect to an existing 110kV overhead line. • Temporary works on sections of the public road network along the turbine delivery route (including hedge or tree cutting, relocation of powerlines/poles, lampposts, signage, and local road widening). • 1 No. Temporary construction site compound and additional mobile welfare unit. • 1 No. Borrow pit to be used as a source of stone material during construction. • 3 No. spoil deposition areas (one at borrow pit location). • Associated surface water management systems. • Tree felling for wind farm infrastructure.
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10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development: **N/A**

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m ²

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11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m ²	N/A
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	EirGrid substation building – 400m² IPP substation building – 192m² Total floor space: 592m²
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A

12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix: N/A

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses							
Apartments							
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:	Proposed:			Total:	

13. Social Housing: N/A

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		✓

If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.

If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).

If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)
Agricultural lands/commercial forestry
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
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- **Associated surface water management systems.**
- **Tree felling for wind farm infrastructure.**

This application is seeking a ten-year permission and an operational period of no less than 35 years from the date of commissioning.

Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).

A Wind Farm consisting of 12 no. turbines and all associated infrastructure.

15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
	Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?		✓
	Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?		✓
	Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?		✓
	Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.	✓	
	Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?	✓	
	Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?	✓	
	Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?	✓	
	Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?		✓
	Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license		✓

Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?		✓
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?		✓
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?		✓
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?		✓

16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
<p>Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other (please specify):</p> <p>Imported water supply and rainwater harvesting tank to collect rainwater from the roofs of the substation buildings for toilet flushing and handwashing.</p> <hr/> <p>Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable):</p> <p>N/A</p> <hr/>
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
<p>Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/></p> <p>Other on site treatment system: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please Specify:</p> <p>Domestic wastewater holding tank to hold effluent from the toilets within the substation. The stored effluent will be collected on a regular basis from site by a permitted waste contractor and removed to a licensed/permitted waste facility for treatment and disposal.</p> <hr/>

Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/>
Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please specify:
On site drainage system including drainage channels and settlement ponds, flow dispersed over vegetation.

17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
National Paper: Irish Independent dated 26/01/2024
Local Paper: Clare Champion dated 26/01/2024
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>
Please refer to drawing ref- 22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5001
Site notices erected on 26/01/2024
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
www.ballycargreenenergyplanning.ie
www.ballycargreenenergy.ie

18. Pre-application Consultation:

Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála
Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.
<i>First ABP SID Pre-app meeting held on the 23/02/2022</i> <i>Second ABP SID Pre-app meeting held on the 01/09/2022</i>
Enclosed: See Appendix 3
Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No:[<input type="checkbox"/>]
Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification.
Enclosed: See Appendix 4
Yes: [<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>] No:[<input type="checkbox"/>]

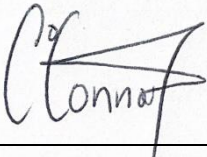
19. Confirmation Notice:

Copy of Confirmation Notice
A copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal is enclosed, see Appendix 5.

20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable	€100,000 (paid by bank transfer – receipt attached, Appendix 6)
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I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	
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Date:	26 th January 2024

General Guidance Note:

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

September 2018

Appendix 1.

Schedule of planning drawings



Drawing Number	Drawing Title	Drawing Size
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5001	Site Context Map	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5002	Planning Application and Landholding Boundary	A0
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5003	Planning Application Boundary	A0
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5004	Existing Contours	A0
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Master Sheet	A0
22156-MWP-01-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 1	A1
22156-MWP-02-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 2	A1
22156-MWP-03-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 3	A1
22156-MWP-04-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 4	A1
22156-MWP-05-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 5	A1
22156-MWP-06-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 6	A1
22156-MWP-07-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 7	A1
22156-MWP-08-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 8	A1
22156-MWP-09-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 9	A1
22156-MWP-10-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 10	A1
22156-MWP-11-00-DR-C-5005	Site Layout - Sheet 11	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Master Sheet	A0
22156-MWP-01-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 1	A1
22156-MWP-02-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 2	A1
22156-MWP-03-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 3	A1
22156-MWP-04-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 4	A1
22156-MWP-05-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 5	A1
22156-MWP-06-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 6	A1
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22156-MWP-09-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 9	A1
22156-MWP-10-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 10	A1
22156-MWP-11-00-DR-C-5006	Drainage Layout - Sheet 11	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5007	Site Access Layout and Sight Distances - Sheet 1	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5008	Site Access Layout and Sight Distances - Sheet 2	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5009	Turbine Delivery Route	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5010	Revegetation of Temporary Works Areas	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5401	Turbine Elevations Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5402	Turbine Foundation Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5403	Turbine Hardstand Details	A1



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22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5404	Met Mast Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5405	Access Track Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5406	Drainage Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5407	Cable Trench Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5408	Temporary Site Construction Compound Layout and Building Details	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5409	Entrance Gate Details	A3
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5410	Timber Post and Rail Details	A3
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5411	Borrow Pit / Material Storage Area Plan and Sections	A1
22156-MWP-00-00-DR-C-5412	Watercourse Crossing Details	A1
05923-DR-100	Overall Site Location Map	A1
05923-DR-101	Site Layout Plan	A1
05923-DR-107	End Mast Details	A2
05923-DR-108	Elevation View of Proposed Tower Locations	A1
05923-DR-110	Typical Ducting Through Regional/Local Roadways	A1
05923-DR-111	Ducting Through Forestry Track	A3
05923-DR-112	Typical Section Through Private Lands	A3
05923-DR-113	Typical 110kV Ducting Through Existing Floating Track	A1
05923-DR-115	Forestry Fire-Break Track Section	A3
05923-DR-116	Typical Communications Chamber Details	A3
05923-DR-117	Typical Earth Link Chamber Details	A3
05923-DR-118	Typical Transition Chamber Details	A3
05923-DR-119	Joint Bay Section Detail	A2
05923-DR-120	110kV Joint Bay General Arrangement and Details	A1
05923-DR-121	Typical Section Through Ducting in Flat Formation	A3
05923-DR-130	Substation Compound Layout	A1
05923-DR-131	Substation Elevations	A1
05923-DR-132	Control Building - Plan & Elevations & Section	A1
05923-DR-133	IPP Building - Plan & Elevations & Section	A1
05923-DR-134	Lightning Monopole Foundation Details 18m Masts	A3



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05923-DR-135	Gate & Fence Details	A2
05923-DR-136	Substation Compound Drainage, Retention Seperator Tank, Foul Water Holding Tank Details	A2
05923-DR-137	Telecoms Pole Elevation View	A3
05923-DR-138	Rain Water Harvesting Tank & Vent Details	A1
05923-DR-139	Cut & Fill Layout Plan	A1
05923-DR-140	Substation Site Sections	A1
05923-DR-141	Autotrack Layout Plan	A1
05923-DR-142	Substation Compound Details	A2

Appendix 2.

Landowner Consent Letters

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.

Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that I am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE21472F and CE11166F (**Property**).

I hereby give my irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my property at Glennagross and Cappateemore East, Co. Clare.

I confirm that I have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my property.

Yours faithfully,


P.J. Donnellan

04/12/2023
Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.


Dear Director of Services,

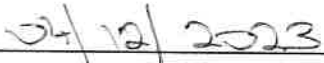
I/we confirm that I/we the registered owners of all of the property comprised in Folio CE24188 (**Property**).

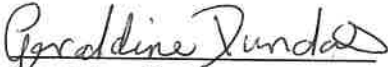
I/we hereby give my/our irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my/our property at Cappateemore East and Ballycannan West, Co. Clare.

I/we confirm that I/we have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my/our property.

Yours faithfully,


Andrew Dundas


Date:


Geraldine Dundas


Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.

Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that I/we am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE55549F and CE13040F (Property).

I/we hereby give my/our irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my/our property at Ballycar South, Co. Clare.

I/we confirm that I/we have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my/our property.

In giving this consent, I/we confirm that I/we am aware that the proposed siting of the nearest wind turbine(s) is(are) located more than 500 metres from my/our dwelling house at Ballycar, Ardnacrusha, Co. Clare (V94 DK7C), in compliance with the current wind energy development guidelines.

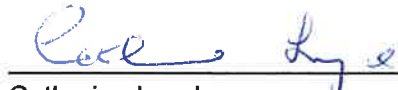
I/we am also aware of the draft revised wind energy development guidelines and the requirement that the appropriate setback distance for visual amenity purposes of 4 times the tip height should apply between a wind turbine and the nearest point of the curtilage of any residential property in the vicinity of the proposed development, subject to a mandatory minimum setback of 500 metres.

In giving this consent, I/we confirm that I/we am aware that the proposed siting of the wind turbine(s) is located within a distance 4 times the tip height of the turbine from my/our dwelling house, however greater than 500 metres in accordance with the Guidelines.

Yours faithfully,


Gerard Lynch

05/12/23
Date:


Catherine Lynch

5/12/23
Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.

Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that I am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE16575 (Property).

I hereby give my irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my property at Glennagross, Co. Clare.

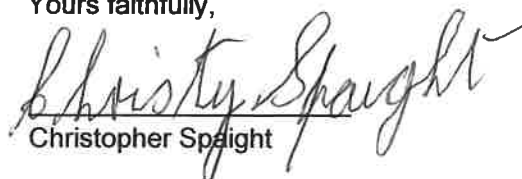
I confirm that I have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my property.

In giving this consent, I confirm that I am aware that the proposed siting of the nearest wind turbine(s) is(are) located more than 500 metres from my dwelling house at Glennagross, Meelick, Co. Clare (V94 P034), in compliance with the current wind energy development guidelines.

I am also aware of the draft revised wind energy development guidelines and the requirement that the appropriate setback distance for visual amenity purposes of 4 times the tip height should apply between a wind turbine and the nearest point of the curtilage of any residential property in the vicinity of the proposed development, subject to a mandatory minimum setback of 500 metres.

In giving this consent, I confirm that I am aware that the proposed siting of the wind turbine(s) is located within a distance 4 times the tip height of the turbine from my dwelling house, however greater than 500 metres in accordance with the Guidelines.

Yours faithfully,


Christopher Spaight

04/12/2023
Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.


Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that I am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE47331F and CE55594F (**Property**).


I hereby give my irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my property at Ballycannan East and Ballycar South, Co. Clare.

I confirm that I have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my property.

Yours faithfully,



Ciaran O'Connell



Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.

Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that I am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE19349 and CE55593F (**Property**).

I hereby give my irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my property at Ballycannan East, Co. Clare.

I confirm that I have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my property.

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I am also aware of the draft revised wind energy development guidelines and the requirement that the appropriate setback distance for visual amenity purposes of 4 times the tip height should apply between a wind turbine and the nearest point of the curtilage of any residential property in the vicinity of the proposed development, subject to a mandatory minimum setback of 500 metres.

In giving this consent, I confirm that I am aware that the proposed siting of the wind turbine(s) is located within a distance 4 times the tip height of the turbine from my dwelling house, however greater than 500 metres in accordance with the Guidelines.

Yours faithfully,

John O'Connell

John O'Connell

9/12/23
Date:

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

Re: Proposed development at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare of wind turbines, hard standings, anemometer mast, substation building and compound, ancillary grid services equipment, communications equipment, electrical cabling, car parking spaces, associated site tracks and site works, habitat enhancement measures and the grid connection works.

Dear Director of Services,


I confirm that I am the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE23942, CE16609, CE22705 (**Property**).

I hereby give my irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on my property at Cappateemore East and Ballycannan West, Co. Clare.

I confirm that I have entered into a legal agreement which grants the right to Ballycar Green Energy Limited to apply for planning permission for the proposed development and for all other relevant permits, consents, or authorisations for the generation and transmission of electricity and the grid connection infrastructure on, inter alia, my/our property.

Yours faithfully,


Kieran Ahern


Date:

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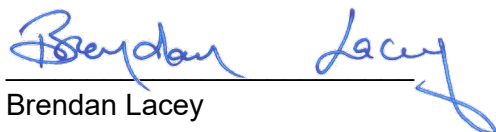
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Dear Director of Services,

I confirm that Irish Forestry Unit Trust Forestry Nominees Limited is the registered owner of all of the property comprised in Folio CE22779F (**Property**).

I hereby give irrevocable consent to the Planning Application(s) to be made by or on behalf of Ballycar Green Energy Limited (or its associated companies) in connection with a proposed Windfarm at Glennagross, Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar North and Ballycar South, Meelick, County Clare including on the Property at Glennagross, Co. Clare.

Yours faithfully,



Brendan Lacey
Director

28th November 2023

Date:

Directors

James R. Kehoe FIA (Chair)
John Dwyer, Jim Foley,
Martin Freyne, Laura Heuston,
Brendan Lacey



Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID)
An Bord Pleanála
64 Marlborough Street
Dublin 1

Our Ref: CLS_ABP_LTR_602

25th January 2024

Re: Letter of consent regarding the Planning Application by Ballycar Green Energy Limited for the Ballycar Green Energy project as it relates to Coillte CGA property in Co. Clare

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter refers to the estate right and title of Coillte CGA in the property known as Ballycannan, Co Clare which property is outlined in blue only on the indicative map (“Map 1”) attached hereto (hereinafter called “**the Property**”).

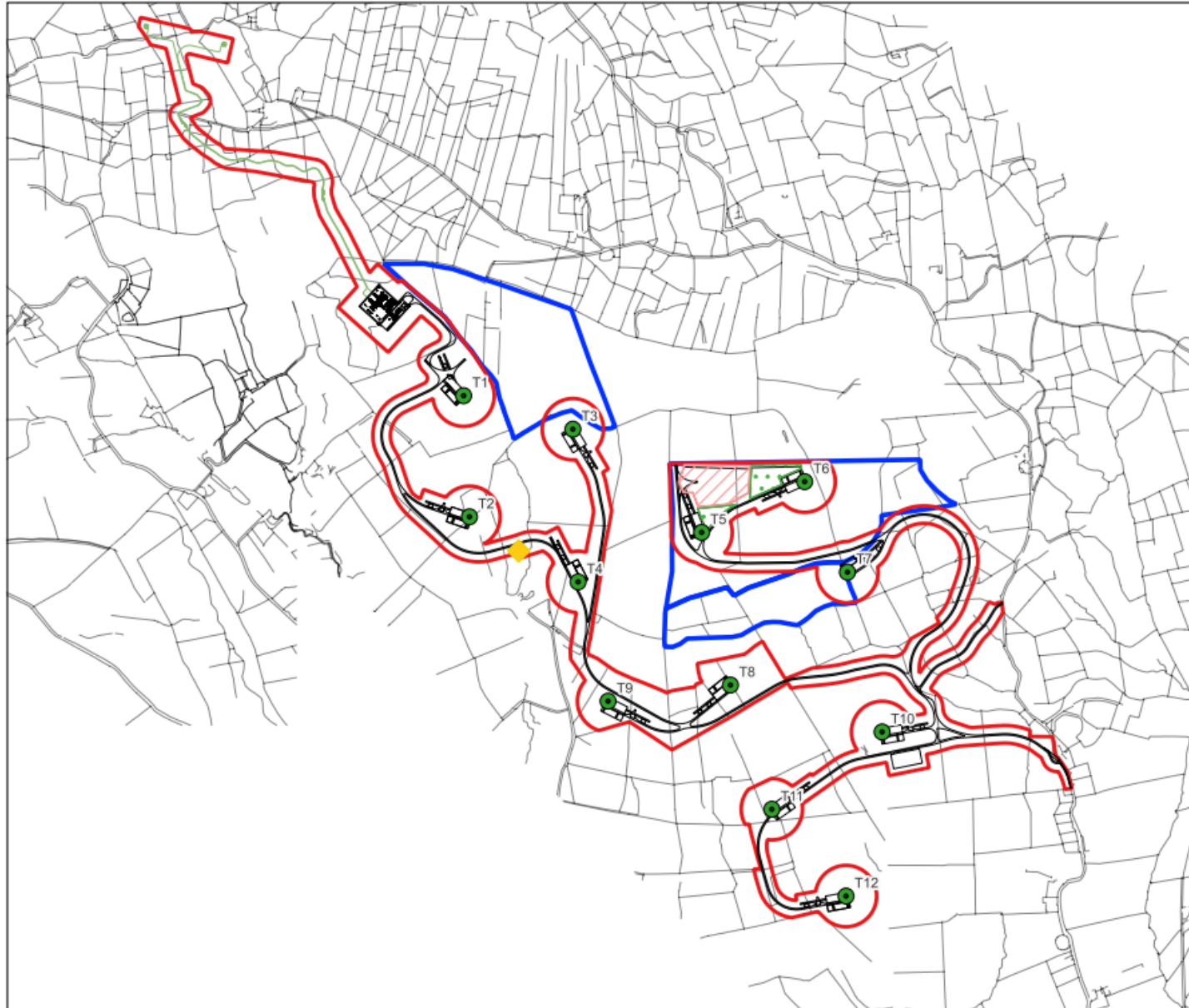
We refer to the proposal by Ballycar Green Energy Ltd. to locate 2 turbines, associated roading and cabling requirements, a borrow pit and material deposition areas on the Property as part of the Ballycar Green Energy project. The proposed locations of the above as it concerns the Property are shown on Map 1 attached hereto. We wish to advise that we have no objection in principle to the submission of a planning application which solely relates to the proposal to locate 2 turbines, associated roading and cabling requirements, a borrow pit and material deposition areas on the Property in the manner illustrated in Map 1 and hereby furnish this letter for the purposes of consent only to the submission of this application by Ballycar Green Energy Ltd.

Yours faithfully,





Brenda Molloy
On behalf of Coillte CGA
Sent by email, no signature

Coillte, Dublin Road, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow, A63 DN25, Ireland.
T 0818 367 378 E info@coillte.ie W www.coillte.ie

Map 1: Map illustrating proposed location of turbines, roading and cabling requirements, a borrow pit and material deposition areas as they concern Coillte Property (lands outlined in blue) as part of the overall Ballycar Green Energy Project proposal



Title: Ballycar Green Energy - Coillte Lands

-  Coillte Lands (CE13041F, CE59257F, CE59256F, CE59258F, CE59259F, CE7780F)
-  Turbine Locations
-  Planning Boundary
-  Site Layout
-  Met Mast
-  Borrow Pit
-  Deposition Area

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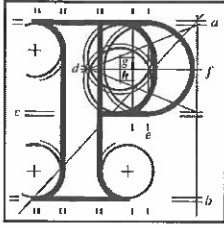


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Appendix 3.

Minutes of ABP SID Pre-application meetings



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Record of Meeting ABP-312193-21 1st meeting

Description	ABP-312193-21 – Proposed development consisting of a 12-turbine windfarm, located on a 140-hectare site, Ballycar, Co. Clare		
Case Type	Pre-application Consultation.		
1st / 2nd / 3rd Meeting	1 st Meeting		
Venue	Virtually by Microsoft Teams		
Date	23/02/2022	Time	11:00am – 12:05pm

Representing An Bord Pleanála		
Ciara Kellett, Assistant Director of Planning (Chair)		
Paul Caprani, Senior Planning Inspector		
Sarah Caulfield, Executive Officer	s.caulfield@pleanala.ie	01-8737287
Representing the Prospective Applicant		
David McDonnell – Ballycar Green Energy (Applicant)		
John O'Connor – Ballycar Green Energy (Applicant)		
Peter Barry – MWP (Agent)		
Ken Fitzgerald – MWP (Agent)		

Introduction:

The Board referred to the letter received from the prospective applicant on the 14th December 2021, requesting pre-application consultations and advised the prospective applicant that the instant meeting essentially constituted an information-gathering exercise for the Board; it also invited the prospective applicant to outline the nature of the proposed development and to highlight any matters that it wished to receive advice on from the Board. The Board mentioned the following general procedures in relation to the pre-application consultation process:

- The Board will keep a record of this meeting and any other meetings, if held. Such records will form part of the file which will be made available publicly at the conclusion of the process. The record of the meeting will not be amended by the Board once finalised, but the prospective applicant may submit comments on the record which will form part of the case file.
- The Board will serve notice at the conclusion of the process as to the strategic infrastructure status of the proposed development. It may form a preliminary view at an early stage in the process on the matter.
- A further meeting or meetings may be held in respect of the proposed development.
- Further information may be requested by the Board and public consultations may also be directed by the Board.
- The Board may hold consultations in respect of the proposed development with other bodies.
- The holding of consultations does not prejudice the Board in any way and cannot be relied upon in the formal planning process or in any legal proceedings.

Presentation by the prospective applicant:

The prospective applicant began the presentation by providing a company overview and background. Ballycar Green Energy Limited is a renewable energy company based in Co. Limerick with 20 years' experience in the wind energy industry and several operational assets across Ireland. The proposed development aims to provide clean energy for 30,000 households in Ballycar and the wider community.

The proposed site is located in the townland of Ballycar, which is north of Limerick City and northwest of the existing Ardnacrusha Power Station. The proposed development consists of 12 turbines, with an overall output in the region of 54-60MW. The site is zoned as strategic and acceptable in principle within the current Clare County Development Plan 2017-2023, and the same zoning applies within the Draft Clare County Development Plan 2023-2029. It was submitted that the current design includes 11 turbines with a tip height of 156 metres and 1 turbine with a tip height of 150 metres.

The prospective applicant said they are currently assessing two grid connection options, one being a tail-fed connection into the Ardnacrusha 110kV substation and the other, a connection into an existing 110kV overhead line in the vicinity. The potential connection at Ardnacrusha 110kV substation may occur along the existing road network or over third-party lands into the site (this has not yet been decided). The second option is to connect into one of two existing 110kV overhead lines, one which traverses from Ardnacrusha to Drumline and the other from Ardnacrusha to Ennis.

Regarding surveys, it was submitted that 24 months of bird surveys have been completed and work is continuing for another winter period. There are 12 months of bat surveys completed and the majority of the baseline environmental studies have also been completed.

The prospective applicant said they are currently engaged with the Irish Aviation Authority and various telecoms providers in the area to ensure no impact on services.

It was submitted that the turbine and construction haul routes are currently being assessed, along with potential land takes.

The prospective applicant said there will be a requirement for some felling in order to facilitate access to turbines but that this will be compensated by the re-planting of lands. These lands have been identified and will be fully assessed as part of the EIAR.

The community benefits were highlighted including the direct/indirect job creation and educational/environmental benefits to the local community.

Regarding community engagement, it was submitted that consultations commenced in November 2021. This included the creation of a project specific website, leaflet drop in the local area, engagement with local representatives and face-to-face meetings with residents. These efforts are anticipated to continue, and the feedback gained will be incorporated into the development.

The prospective applicant is of the opinion that the proposed development falls within the scope of class 1 of the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006, being a wind farm with an output greater than 50MW.

Discussion

The following matters were discussed:

- It was noted that one of the Board's representatives recently visited the site, which provided an understanding of the baseline environment of the land.
- The Board's representatives said engagement with the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) is of importance given the sensitivities in the area and in relation to bird corridors and collision risks. The prospective applicant said the DAU had been consulted and they provided a detailed response covering areas such as archaeology, ecology, and biodiversity. A meeting has not been sought at this time.

- The Board's representatives noted a geological site located in the area and said this will need to be assessed. All national monuments located within the study area will also need to be fully assessed.
- The Board's representatives advised the prospective applicant to be cognisant of matters such as cumulative impacts and in-combination effects with any existing or proposed wind farms in the surrounding area.
- The Board's representatives advised engagement with Shannon Airport given its proximity to the site.
- In relation to peat slippage, the Board's representatives advised providing a robust peat stability assessment for the development.
- The Board's representatives advised providing high quality detailed mapping of environmental receptors such as shadow flicker, noise, and visual receptors.
- The Board's representatives said a detailed map of the SAC's and SPA's in the surrounding area would be useful in order to assess the qualifying interests and bird migration paths.
- In response to a query on the matter, the prospective applicant said a stage 2 appropriate assessment is anticipated given the potential hydrological links to the Lower River Shannon SAC (Site Code: 002165).
- The Board's representatives said both grid connection options can be included in the application, but these options must be individually assessed in each chapter of the EIAR.
- The Board's representatives reminded the prospective applicant to include details in relation to major accidents as part of the EIAR, particularly in relation to peat stability.
- It was advised by the Board's representatives to include a carbon calculation in relation to any peat removal on the site.
- The prospective applicant said with respect to the felling of forestry the re-plant lands are not located in the area.
- A general discussion was had around the Derryadd Judgement. The Board's representatives advised that if a specific turbine type or tip height is not finalised and options/ranges are brought forward, these options/range should be considered in the EIAR to allow the Board to examine and fully evaluate the likely impacts.

- In response to a query on the matter, the Board's representatives advised reviewing the draft Wind Energy Development Guidelines (2019) alongside the Wind Energy Development Guidelines (2006) concerning noise, and made reference to the Balz Judgement.
- The Board's representatives reminded the prospective applicant that any proposed upgrades to the local roads (i.e., widening, strengthening, hedgerow removal etc.) should be fully assessed in the EIAR.
- The Board's representatives stated their preliminary opinion is that the proposed development would constitute strategic infrastructure development but noted that it is ultimately a decision for the Board.

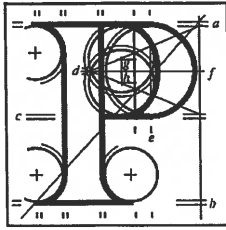
Conclusion

The record of the meeting will issue to the prospective applicant, and it will then be a matter for the prospective applicant to submit any comments on this if it wishes to do so. It will be a matter for the prospective applicant to revert to the Board if it requires a further meeting or if it wishes to close the pre-application consultation process.



Ciara Kellett

Assistant Director of Planning



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Record of Meeting ABP-312193-21- 2nd Meeting

Description	ABP-312193-21 – Proposed 12 turbine windfarm, located on a 140-hectare site, Ballycar, Co. Clare		
Case Type	Pre-application Consultation.		
1st / 2nd / 3rd Meeting	2 nd Meeting		
Venue	Virtually by Microsoft Teams		
Date	01/09/2022	Time	2:30pm – 3:15pm

Representing An Bord Pleanála

Ciara Kellett, Assistant Director of Planning (Chair)

Paul Caprani, Senior Planning Inspector

Sarah Caulfield, Executive Officer | s.caulfield@pleanala.ie | 01-8737287

Eimear Reilly, Executive Officer

Representing the Prospective Applicant

Ken Fitzgerald – MWP (Agent)

Peter Barry – MWP (Agent)

John O'Connor – Ballycar Green Energy (Applicant)

Imelda Barry – Ballycar Green Energy (Applicant)

David McDonnell – Ballycar Green Energy (Applicant)

Introduction:

The Board referred to its previous meeting with the prospective applicant of the 23rd of February, 2022 and the record of this meeting. The Board asked if the prospective applicants had any comments it wished to make on the record of this meeting; the prospective applicant replied that it had no comments to make.

Presentation by the prospective applicant:

The prospective applicant provided a brief recap on the first meeting and said the main topics to be discussed today include an update on progress made since the previous meeting, surveys completed and community engagement to-date.

In relation to survey progress to date, the prospective applicant said all environmental assessments have now concluded. As of September 2022, there are 6 seasons of Ornithology surveys completed. The prospective applicant said baseline environmental surveys include peat stability impact assessment and archaeological impact assessment.

The prospective applicant said although the site layout design is frozen, there are a few elements yet to be finalised such as the drainage design, design of watercourse crossings and material balance calculations.

The current design consists of 12 wind turbines with an overall capacity of approximately 54-60MW, consisting of 11 turbines with a tip height of 158 metres and 1 turbine with a tip height of 150 metres. There are 2 borrow pits and 1 deposition area proposed and it was submitted that these areas will be fully reinstated once the construction phase is completed.

Two site entrances are proposed as part of this development; one located to the north consisting of a temporary entrance for construction deliveries from the nearby quarry, and one to the south consisting of a permanent entrance, and entrance for turbine deliveries. It is proposed to scale back this entrance once the construction phase is complete.

The prospective applicant said the two grid connections options are still being assessed, which are both tail-fed connections. One option is via the existing road

network and the second is over land, to connect into the existing 110kV Ardnacrusha substation.

The prospective applicant presented ten photomontages of viewpoints in the immediate and surrounding areas.

Community engagement has commenced and is ongoing, including the distribution of an information leaflet to residents in the local area, direct engagement with local representatives and community groups, direct conversations with residents who requested face-to-face meetings and a community consultation event was also held on the 29th and 30th June 2022. The prospective applicant said feedback from the community has been positive and engagement is ongoing.

Discussion

The following matters were discussed:

- In response to a query on the matter, the prospective applicant confirmed that barotrauma and collision risk will be considered as part of the bat survey analysis.
- The prospective applicant said they expect the borrow pits to reach a depth well above the water table. The Board's representatives advised the prospective applicant to be cognisant of this and said if the borrow pit is below the water table this would require substantial hydrogeological assessments to be carried out, to ensure compliance with the Water Framework Directive.
- In response to a query on the matter, the prospective applicant said shadow flicker control measures will be installed. Baseline noise assessments have been completed and the windfarm will be operated in adherence with Guidelines.
- The Board's representatives reminded the prospective applicant to include details in relation to major accidents as part of the EIAR.

- In response to a query on the matter, the prospective applicant said they are seeking a pre-application meeting with Limerick City & County Council. It was noted that feedback was received from the local authority's Heritage Officer. The Board's representatives stressed the importance of liaising with Limerick City & County Council prior to submitting the planning application, given the proposed development's proximity to the administrative area of that Council.
- The prospective applicant said residents from Limerick were invited to the public consultation event and said this event was also advertised in newspapers circulating in the Limerick area.
- The Board's representatives advised the prospective applicant to provide additional photomontages from other settlements in the surrounding area including, but not limited to, Sixmilebridge, Cratloe and Castleconnell.
- The Board's representatives said following the Balz Judgement, the prospective applicant must have regard to the draft Wind Energy Development Guidelines (2019) alongside the Wind Energy Development Guidelines (2006).
- A general discussion was had around the inclusion of the replant compensatory lands as part of the assessment to be undertaken in the EIAR and NIS. The Board's representatives said the replant lands falls under separate forestry legislation. If there is a likelihood of cumulative impacts from compensatory planting in the immediate vicinity of the site, this issue needs to be addressed in the EIAR or NIS.
- In response to a query on the matter, the Board's representatives said it is not required to include the turbine delivery route within the red line boundary assuming no works are required along the route.
- The Board's representative reminded the prospective applicant to ensure it is clear in terms of documentation on what is being applied for.

Conclusion

The record of the meeting will issue to the prospective applicant, and it will then be a matter for the prospective applicant to submit any comments on this if it wishes to do so. It will be a matter for the prospective applicant to revert to the Board if it requires a further meeting or if it wishes to close the pre-application consultation process.

C Kellett 14/9/22

Ciara Kellett

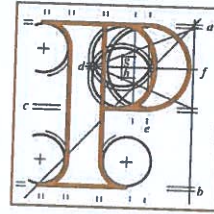
Assistant Director of Planning

Appendix 4.

ABP SID Determination Letter, Schedule of Prescribed Bodies and sample notification letter.

Our Case Number: ABP-312193-21

Your Reference: Ballycar Green Energy



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Malachy Walsh and Partners
C/O Peter Barry
Reen Point
Blennerville
Tralee
Co. Kerry

Malachy Walsh and Partners

Date: 31/11/22
Action: PB, KF
Project No. 22156
PO No.: N/A

Date: 02 November 2022

Re: Proposed 12 turbine windfarm, located on a 140-hectare site
Ballycar, Co. Clare

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.

Teil	Tel	(01) 858 8100
Glaó Áitiúil	LoCall	1890 275 175
Facs	Fax	(01) 872 2684
Láithreán Gréasáin	Website	www.pleanala.ie
Ríomhphost	Email	bord@pleanala.ie

64 Sráid Maoilbhríde	64 Marlborough Street
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Yours faithfully,



S.P. Sarah Caulfield
Executive Officer
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Prescribed Body List

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

- Minister for Housing, Local Government and Heritage.
- Minister for Tourism, Culture, Arts, Gaeltacht, Sport and Media (Development Applications Unit).
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine.
- Minister for the Environment, Climate and Communications.
- Clare County Council
- Limerick City and Co. Council
- North and West Regional Assembly.
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland.
- An Taisce
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- The Heritage Council
- National Parks & Wildlife Service.
- Inland Fisheries Ireland.
- Irish Water.
- Irish Aviation Authority.
- Health Service Executive.
- Commission for Regulation of Utilities.
- Office of Public Works.

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

Ref: COC/22156
26th January, 2024

An Tasice,
5 Foster Place,
Temple Bar,
Dublin 2,
D02 V0P9

Re: Planning Application for Strategic Infrastructure Development under Section 37E of the Planning and development Act (As Amended)

Dear Sir/Madam,

We are engaged by Ballycar Green Energy Ltd. (applicant) for the preparation of the design, planning and EIAR for a proposed Wind Energy Project in the townlands of Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar South, Ballycar North and Glennagross (orse Glenagross, Glennacross) in County Clare. Please find enclosed a memory stick with a copy of all planning applications for the proposed development.

The project has been the subject of a Pre-application Stage consultation for Strategic Infrastructure with An Bord Pleanála (Ref: ABP-312193-21). An Bord Pleanála has determined that this proposed project falls within the Strategic Infrastructure Development consent process under Section 37A(2)(a),(b) and (c) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. In confirming that this project is a Strategic Infrastructure Development project it has identified 19 prescribed bodies that have to be notified in relation to this planning application. Accordingly, we are notifying you that the application has been lodged with ABP on the 26th of January 2024.

The following sets out the description of the proposed development:

- 12 No. Wind Turbines (blade tip height up to 158m). Eleven of the turbines will have a hub height of 90m and a blade length of 68m and one turbine (T10) will have a hub height of 82m and a blade length of 68m.
- 12 No. Wind Turbine foundations and hardstand areas.
- 1 No. Permanent Meteorological Mast (90m height) and foundation and associated hardstand areas.
- 1 No. Electrical Substation (110kV) including associated ancillary buildings, security fencing and all associated works.

- 2 No. Developed Site Entrances, one temporary entrance to facilitate construction traffic and one permanent entrance.
- New and upgraded internal site access tracks.
- Provision of an on-site Visitor cabin and parking.
- All associated underground electrical and communications cabling connecting the proposed turbines to the proposed onsite substation.
- Laying of approximately 1.5km of underground electricity cabling to facilitate the connection to the national grid from the proposed onsite substation to connect to an existing 110kV overhead line.
- Temporary works on sections of the public road network along the turbine delivery route (including hedge or tree cutting, relocation of powerlines/poles, lampposts, signage, and local road widening).
- 1 No. Temporary construction site compound and additional mobile welfare unit.
- 1 No. Borrow pit to be used as a source of stone material during construction.
- 3 No. spoil deposition areas (one at borrow pit location).
- Associated surface water management systems.
- Tree felling for wind farm infrastructure.

The applicant is seeking a ten-year permission and an operational period of no less than 35 years from the date of commissioning the Wind Farm

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in relation to the project and accompanies the application.

The Memory Stick attached contains the following information:

- Planning application documentation
- Planning application drawings
- Environmental Assessment Report (EIAR)
- Natura Impact Statement (NIS)

You are advised that 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 decisions and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or (iii) grant permission in respect of the proposed development (with or without specified modification of it of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions,

or

- (a) refuse to grant the permission

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 relating to:

- i. the implications of the proposed development for the proposer planning and sustainable development, and

- ii. the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- iii. the likely significant effects or adverse effect on any European site, if the development is carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be received by the Board not later than the 22nd of March 2024.

The full application is available for viewing and download on the dedicated SID project website at the following address: Ballycargreenenergyplanning.ie

Yours sincerely,



Caoimhe O'Connor
for MWP

Appendix 5.

EIAR portal letter of confirmation

EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2024009

Housing Eiportal <EIAportal@housing.gov.ie>

Mon 1/22/2024 3:53 PM

To:Caoimhe O'Connor <Caoimhe.o'connor@mwp.ie>

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Dear Caoimhe,

An EIA Portal notification was received on 22/01/2024 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on 22/01/2024 under EIA Portal ID number 2024009 and is available to view at <http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1>.

Portal ID: 2024009

Competent Authority: An Bord Pleanála

Applicant Name: Ballycar Green Energy Ltd.

Location: Within the townlands of Cappateemore East, Ballycannan West, Ballycannan East, Ballycar South, Ballycar North and Glennagross (orse Glenagross, Glennacross).

Description: A Wind Farm Development consisting of 12 no. turbines, a 110kV substation, grid connection to connect to an overhead 110kV line and all associated site works in County Clare

Linear Development: Yes

Date Uploaded to Portal: 22/01/2024

Kindest Regards,

Hugh Wogan,
EIA Portal team

An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta
Department of Housing, Local Government and Heritage

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Appendix 6.

Payment receipt for application fee



Transaction confirmation

Transaction details

Amount	EUR 100,000.00
My statement message	Ballycar Green Ene
Payee message	ABP-312193-21
Type	Debit
Currency	EUR
Payment information	Ballycar Green Energy Ltd - ABP-312193-21
Payment option	Standard
AIB reference no	0LB4Q3XJGRFV5UP1
Payment status	Completed
Payment reference	IE24012371603114
Credit / debit date	23/01/2024 16:30:22

Payer details

Name	SUSTAINABLE DEVELOPMENTS LTD
Currency	EUR

Payee details

Payee name	An Bord Pleanala
Payee account	IE70AIBK93105500316067
Payee address	64 Marlborough Street Rotunda, Dublin D01 V902, Ireland
