

ADDENDUM 11

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Planning and development Act 2000 (as amended)

Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála in Respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development County Westmeath & County Meath

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, we, Knockanarragh Wind Farm Ltd. give notice of our intention to make an application to An Bord Pleanála for permission for a Proposed Development which will consist of an 8 no turbine wind farm development and associated works on land within the townlands of Clonmellon, Kilrush Upper, Kilrush Lower, Newtown, Ballinlig, Carnybrogan, Cavestown and Rosmead, County Westmeath and Galboystown, Co. Meath. The planning application area is approximately 115.81 ha in size.

The Proposed Development will consist of:

- Construction of 8 No. wind turbines with an overall ground to blade tip height of between 175m – 180m inclusive. The wind turbines will have a rotor diameter ranging from 155m to 162m inclusive and a hub height ranging from 97.5m to 99m inclusive. Each turbine will have individual output of between 6.6MW to 7.2MW inclusive.
- Construction of temporary crane hardstands and permanent turbine foundations.
- Construction of permanent internal site access roads including passing bays and all associated drainage infrastructure
- Construction of 1 no. permanent 110 kV electrical substation west of Clonmellon, Co Meath to include 2 no. control buildings with welfare facilities, all associated electrical plant and equipment, security fencing and gates, all associated underground cabling, wastewater holding tank, and all ancillary structures, bunding and works.
- Construction of 33kV underground electricity cabling, including joint bays and ancillary works, along the L5542 and N52 connecting the Main Wind Farm Development Site: to the Proposed 110kV Substation at Clonmellon.
- Construction of a section of 110kV electricity cabling between the Proposed 110kV Substation and the existing overhead line at Clonmellon, inclusive of 110kV interface masts.
- Construction of an internal collector cable circuit within the Main Wind Farm Development Site, including directional drilling of (125m) cabling between Turbine 5 and Turbine 8.
- Construction of two construction compounds with associated temporary site offices, parking areas, welfare facilities and security fencing.
- The use of the construction compound in the Southern Cluster as a maintenance hub to facilitate the operational phase of development.
- Development of two borrow pits for the purpose of stone extraction.
- Undergrounding of approximately 610 metres of existing 10 kV overhead electrical power line in the vicinity of Turbine 6.
- Development of an internal site drainage network and sediment control systems.
- Improvements to an existing site entrance off the L5542/Carnybrogan local road to include localised widening of the road and creation of a splayed entrance to facilitate the delivery of abnormal loads and turbine component deliveries. Improvements will include removal of existing vegetation to accommodate visibility splays.
- A new site entrance and slip road from the L5542/Carnybrogan local road to facilitate the delivery of abnormal loads and turbine component deliveries to northern part of the site.
- Road improvements to L5542/Carnybrogan local road to facilitate the delivery of abnormal loads and turbine component deliveries.
- A new site entrance to T8 from the N52 via an existing agricultural access within the townlands of Cavestown and Rosmead.
- A new site entrance from the L6821 to the Proposed 110 kV Substation at Clonmellon.

- Ancillary forestry felling of between 19.62ha and 20.09ha to facilitate construction of the development.
- All associated site development works including berms, landscaping, and soil excavation and the ongoing maintenance and management of the biodiversity measures in accordance with the Habitats and Species Management Plan.
- Measures for biodiversity enhancement including wader scrapes for snipe, stockproof fencing and other measures.
- The enhancement and replacement of hedgerows and broadleaf trees and the planting of new hedgerows and trees.
- A 35-year operational life for the Wind Turbines from the date of commissioning of the entire Proposed Development.

This planning application seeks a 10-year construction period and will be accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) which includes an assessment of the likely significant effects of the Proposed Development as a whole and in combination with the relevant off-site or secondary developments which will occur as a direct result of the Proposed Development, including connection to the national electricity grid.

A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) will also be submitted to the planning authority with the planning application.

The Proposed Development Site is located in close proximity to sites on the Record of Monument and Places (RMP sites, WM009-004, WM009-018 and ME023-010) and the following structures that are included on the Record of Protected Structures (009-048 and 009-03).

The planning application, EIAR and NIS may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the **5th April 2024** at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, D01 V902.
- The Offices of Westmeath County Council, Aras an Chontae, Mount Street, Mullingar, N91 FH4N.
- The Offices of Meath County Council, Planning Department, Buvinda House, Dublin Road, Navan, County Meath, C15 Y291.

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: www.knockanarraghwindfarmSID.ie

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanála (“the Board”) 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online on the Board’s website www.pleanala.ie during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to: (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned; (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out, and (iii) the likely effects or adverse effects on the integrity of 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 5.30 p.m. on the 23rd May 2024**. Such submissions/observations must also include the following information: (i) 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 to the application should be sent; (ii) the subject matter of the submission or observation, and (iii) 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. (For further details please see ‘A Guide to Public participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development’ on the Board’s website 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 it 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 under the heading "Information on cases / Weekly lists" – Judicial Review of planning decisions, on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie or on the Citizens Information Service website www.citizensinformation.ie

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