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## 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:	<a href="#">Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended).</a>
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	<a href="#">Clonberne Windfarm Limited</a>
Address:	<a href="#">Mill House, 10 Mill Street, Galway, Co. Galway</a>
Telephone No:	<a href="#">+353 (0)91-563051</a>
Email Address (if any):	<a href="mailto:info@cregmoreconstruction.ie">info@cregmoreconstruction.ie</a>

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

Name(s) of company director(s):	John Mullins Niall Mullins Elaine Mullins
Registered Address (of company)	Mill House, 10 Mill Street, Galway, Co. Galway
Company Registration No.	661862
Telephone No.	091-563051
Email Address (if any)	info@cregmoreconstruction.ie

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

Name:	Alan Clancy (MKO)
Address:	MKO, Tuam Road, Galway H91 VW84
Telephone No.	+353 (0)91 735611
Mobile No. (if any)	N/A
Email address (if any)	aclancy@mkoireland.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:

Alan Clancy (MKO)

MKO, Tuam Road, Galway

+353 (0)91 735611

**5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:**

Name:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Joseph O'Brien</li><li>2. Gabi Anderson and Michael Gill</li><li>3. Keith Harvey and Ercole Chiappinii</li><li>4. Alan Lipscombe</li></ol>
Firm / Company:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. MKO</li><li>2. Hydro Environmental Services Ltd.</li><li>3. Gavin &amp; Doherty Geosolutions</li><li>4. Alan Lipscombe Traffic and Transport Consultants Ltd.</li></ol>
Address:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Tuam Road, Galway, Co. Galway.</li><li>2. 22 Lower Main Street, Dungarvan, Co. Waterford.</li><li>3. Unit A2, Nutgrove Office Park Rathfarnham Dublin 14</li><li>4. Claran, Headford, Co. Galway.</li></ol>
Telephone No:	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. 091735611</li><li>2. 05844122</li><li>3. 012071000</li><li>4. 09334777</li></ol>
Mobile No:	N/A
Email Address (if any):	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. <a href="mailto:info@mkofireland.ie">info@mkofireland.ie</a></li><li>2. <a href="mailto:michael@hydroenvironmental.ie">michael@hydroenvironmental.ie</a></li><li>3. <a href="mailto:info@gdgeo.com">info@gdgeo.com</a></li><li>4. <a href="mailto:info@alipscombetraffic.ie">info@alipscombetraffic.ie</a></li></ol>

**Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted.**

Please refer to Appendix 1 for full details of all accompanying plans/drawings. 2 no. hard copies and 8 no. electronic copies of drawings have been provided.

**6. Site:**

<p>Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)</p>	<p>The townlands of Killavoher, Gortagarraun, Cloonarkan, Lomaunaghroe, Clonbern, Ballagh West, Carrownryla and Lissybroder, Co. Galway.</p>	
<p>Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)</p>	<p><u>OS Map References:</u> OS1424, OS1426, OS1624, OS1626.</p> <p><u>OS Sheet References:</u> 2540, 2541, 2542, 2543, 2544, 2607, 2608, 2609, 2610, 2611, 2677, 2678, 2679, 2680, 2681, 2746, 2747, 2748, 2749, 2750, 2814, 2815, 2816, 2817, 2818</p> <p><u>Grid Reference (ITM):</u> ITM : X554464, Y756549</p>	
<p>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.</p>		
<p>Area of site to which the application relates in hectares</p>	<p>346.5 ha</p>	
<p>Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:</p>	<p>The Proposed Project is located in an area deemed 'Open to Consideration' and 'Acceptable in Principle' in the Galway Renewable Energy Strategy. (Refer to Chapter 2 of the EIAR - Section 2.4.4.3)</p>	
<p>Existing use of the site &amp; proposed use of the site:</p>	<p><b>Existing</b> - small-scale agriculture, commercial forestry, low-density residential, public road corridors and cut peat</p> <p><b>Proposed</b> - Commercial Wind farm, small-scale agriculture, commercial forestry, low-density residential, public road corridors and cut peat</p>	

Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:	Galway County Council
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**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 <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.

The Applicant has obtained consent from the relevant landowners - please refer to information below. A signed consent letter on behalf of the Landowners is enclosed at Appendix 2 of this application form.

**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.

No.	Name	Address
1	Ballymoyn Holdings Limited	Grawnes, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway.
2	William Burke	Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
3	Vincent Canney	Park West, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
4	Alan Clarke	Claddagh, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway.
5	Austin & Ina Corcoran	15 Glasnevin Downes, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 11.
6	Thomas & Ann Costello	Knockroe, Dunmore, Co. Galway
7	Thomas Devaney	Roy, Dunmore, Co. Galway
8	Martin Joseph & Mary Donlon	Clonberne Park, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
9	Thomas Patrick Donnellan	Timadooaun, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
10	Declan Dowling	Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
11	David Finnegan	Garden Fields, Tuam, Co. Galway
12	John Finnegan	Cortoon, Tuam, Co. Galway
13	Martin Gleeson, c/o Eric Gleeson & Company Solicitors	Shop Street, Tuam, Co. Galway.
14	Nancy & Gerard Lyons	Timiduanne, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
15	Thomas Meehan	Claddagh, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway.
16	John/Nora Nolan	Lissybrooder, Dunmore, Co. Galway
17	Joe O' Neill	Clonberne, Co. Galway

18	Carmel Raftery	Derreen, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
19	Patrick Ronayne	Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
20	Jarlath Ryan, c/o Eric Gleeson & Company Solicitors	Shop Street, Tuam, Co. Galway
21	Michael & Helen Silke	Timadooan, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway.
22	Gerard Slattery	Clooncun, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
23	Cecil Whyte	Killavoher, Dunmore, Co. Galway.

A signed consent letter on behalf of the Landowners is enclosed at Appendix 2 of this application form.

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 – please refer to MKO drawing 180740 - 02 with landowner boundaries outlined in blue.

## 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: N/A

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

Yes: [ ] No:[ ✓ ]

If yes, please give details: N/A



**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
<b>Galway County Council</b>		
15/861	Extension of duration: to build a 38kv line from existing Cloon 110kv Station at Cloonascragh, Tuam to a point in the existing 38kv Station at Glenamaddy (previous planning reference no: 10/779)	Granted by GCC 07/09/2015 (Planning Permission Expired 06/09/2020)
19/1827	For the construction of a new forest road bellmouth entrance, for trucks to access forestry plantations and associated site works	Granted by GCC 09/03/2020
20/320	For the renovation of an existing derelict dwelling, the installation of a new treatment plant, secondary treatment filter and percolation area, including all associated site works.	Granted by GCC 08/03/2021

24/60230	for the development consisting of a new 38kV overhead line (OHL) from existing Glenamaddy 38kV station to existing cable ducts approximately 720 metres East of the existing Cloon 110kV station at Cloonascragh. The proposed development involves the construction of 179no. poles (up to 18m in height), 2no. end masts (up to 16.2m in height) and stringing with overhead lines, over a distance of approximately 26.8km, and all associated works including any temporary works required. The project was previously granted under pl. ref. no. 10779 and an extension of this permission was granted under pl. ref. no. 15861. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) accompanies the application. OSI 2,500 series; 2882, 2883, 2815, 2816, 2748, 2679, 2609, 2610, 2680, 2543, 2544, 2611	Further Information Requested by GCC 26/04/2024.
<p>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.</p>		
<p><b>Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?</b></p>		
<p>Yes: [ ] No:[<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>]</p> <p>If yes please specify</p> <p>An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: N/A</p>		

## 9. Description of the Proposed Development:

<p>Brief description of nature and extent of development</p>	<p>The proposed development will consist of the provision of the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>I. 11 no. wind turbines with an overall turbine tip height of 180 metres; a rotor blade diameter of 162 metres; and hub height of 99 metres, and associated foundations, hard-standing and assembly areas;</li> <li>II. Underground electrical cabling (33kV) and communications cabling;</li> <li>III. Provision for the undergrounding of a section of 38kV overhead electrical cabling (as proposed under GCC Ref No. 24/60230), including the provision of 2 no. 38kV Line to Cable Interface End Masts up to a height of 16.2 metres and associated cable ducting to facilitate the undergrounding of the proposed 38kV cabling;</li> <li>IV. Upgrade of existing tracks/ roads and provision of new site access roads, junctions and hardstand areas;</li> <li>V. Construction of 1 no. new gated site entrance off the R328 Regional Road to facilitate the delivery of the construction materials and turbine components to site;</li> <li>VI. Construction of 2 no. temporary construction compounds and associated ancillary infrastructure including temporary site offices, staff facilities and car-parking areas for staff and visitors, all to be removed at end of construction phase;</li> <li>VII. Development of 1 no. borrow pit;</li> <li>VIII. Provision of 3 no. passing bays adjacent to the L22321 Local Road and an existing access track to facilitate the transport of stone material to the site;</li> <li>IX. Peat and spoil management including the provision of 4 no. peat repository areas and 1 no. spoil repository area;</li> <li>X. Junction accommodation works including temporary accommodation areas adjacent to the N83 National Secondary Road, R328 Regional Road and L6466 Local Road to facilitate the delivery of turbine components to site;</li> <li>XI. Site Drainage;</li> <li>XII. Peatland Enhancement Area;</li> <li>XIII. Biodiversity Enhancement Measures (including the planting of woodland, linear habitat, grassland management and invasive species removal);</li> <li>XIV. Tree felling and hedgerow removal to facilitate construction and operation of the proposed development;</li> <li>XV. Operational stage site signage; and</li> <li>XVI. All ancillary works and apparatus.</li> </ol> <p>A thirty five-year operational life from the date of full commissioning of the entire wind farm is being sought and the subsequent decommissioning.</p>
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	<p>The application is seeking a ten-year planning permission. A concurrent planning application in relation to a proposed substation which will comprise of a 220kV Gas Insulated Switchgear (GIS) building, an Independent Power Producer (IPP) compound, a Battery Energy Storage System (BESS) compound, underground grid connection and associated cabling to connect the proposed Clonberne Wind Farm to the national grid via the existing Flagford to Cashla 220kV overhead line in the townland of Laughil is also being lodged to An Bord Pleanála.</p> <p>An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and Natura Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in relation to the project and accompany this planning application.</p>
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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:**

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m <sup>2</sup>
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A
N/A	N/A

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

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m <sup>2</sup>	N/A
Gross floor space of proposed works in m <sup>2</sup>	324m <sup>2</sup> - 8 no. Site Construction Compound Buildings
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	N/A

**12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:**

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

**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>		✓
<p>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.</p> <p>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).</p> <p>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.</p>		

**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)
Small-scale agriculture, commercial forestry, low-density residential, public road corridors and cut peat
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
Renewable energy development, commercial forestry, low-density residential, public road corridors and cut peat
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).
The development of a renewable energy development including associated works as described in Section 9 of this Form.

**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:

<b>Proposed Source of Water Supply:</b>
Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/>
Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/>
Other (please specify): <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Due to the specific nature of the proposed development, there will be a very small water requirement for occasional toilet flushing and hand washing and therefore the water requirement does not necessitate a potable source. Please refer to Chapter 4 of the EIAR for further details
Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): N/A _____
<b>Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:</b>
Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/>
Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/>
Other on site treatment system: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please Specify:  It is not proposed to treat wastewater on site. Wastewater from the staff welfare facilities will be managed by means of a sealed storage tank, with all wastewater being tankered off site by a permitted waste collector to a wastewater treatment plant. Please refer to Chapter 4 of the EIAR for further details.
<b>Proposed Surface Water Disposal:</b>
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/>
Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please specify:  A controlled drainage system will be used. Refer to Chapter 4 of the EIAR for more detail.



## 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"/> ] <b>National Paper:</b> The Irish Independent, Published 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024, dated 28 <sup>th</sup> June 2024. <b>Local Paper:</b> The Connacht Tribune, Published 27 <sup>th</sup> June 2024, Dated 28 <sup>th</sup> June 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"/> ] Site notices have been erected on site on 2 <sup>nd</sup> July 2024. Site notice locations are shown on MKO Drawing ref: 180740 – 02, 180740 – 02A, 180740 – 02B, 180740 – 02C, 180740 – 02D, 180740 – 02E, 180740 – 02F, 180740 – 02G, 180740 – 02H.
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
All documentation is available to view on the dedicated project website: <a href="http://www.clonbernewplanning.com">http://www.clonbernewplanning.com</a>

## 18. Pre-application Consultation:

<b>Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála</b>
<b>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.</b>  Enclosed: <a href="#">Refer to Appendix 3 of this planning application form</a>  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: [Refer to Appendix 4 of this planning application form](#)

Yes: [] No:[  ]

**19. Confirmation Notice:**

**Copy of Confirmation Notice**

Attach a copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application.

[A copy of the notice is attached, and the EIA Portal \(ID number 2024113\) confirmation is attached in Appendix 5 of this form.](#)

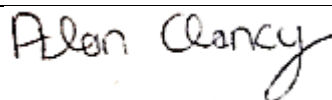
**20. Application Fee:**

Fee Payable

€100,000.00 (Paid by EFT on 13/06/2024 Ref No. 208686634)

**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)



[Alan Clancy, MKO Planning \(AGENT\), Tuam Road, Galway](#)

Date:

[2<sup>nd</sup> July 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.

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## Appendix 1- Schedule of Planning Drawings

Drawing No.	Drawing Title	Scale	Page Size
180740 – 01	Location Context Map	1: 50,000	A3
180740 – 02	Site Location Map (Including Site Notice Key Plan)	1: 25,000	A3
180740 – 02A	Site Notice Location Map A	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02B	Site Notice Location Map B	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02C	Site Notice Location Map C	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02D	Site Notice Location Map D	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02E	Site Notice Location Map E	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02F	Site Notice Location Map F	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02G	Site Notice Location Map G	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 02H	Site Notice Location Map H	1:2,500	A3
180740 – 03	Site Layout Key Plan (1:5,000)	1: 40,000	A3
180740 – 04	Site Layout Sheet 1 of 3	1: 5,000	A1
180740 – 05	Site Layout Sheet 2 of 3	1: 5,000	A1
180740 – 06	Site Layout Sheet 3 of 3	1: 5,000	A1
180740 – 07	Site Layout Key Plan (1:2,500)	1: 40,000	A3
180740 – 08	Site Layout Sheet 1 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 09	Site Layout Sheet 2 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 10	Site Layout Sheet 3 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 11	Site Layout Sheet 4 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 12	Site Layout Sheet 5 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 13	Site Layout Sheet 6 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 14	Site Layout Sheet 7 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 15	Site Layout Sheet 8 of 8	1: 2,500	A1
180740 – 16	Turbine 1 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 17	Turbine 2 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 18	Turbine 3 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 19	Turbine 4 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 20	Turbine 5 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 21	Turbine 6 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 22	Turbine 7 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 23	Turbine 8 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 24	Turbine 9 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 25	Turbine 10 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 26	Turbine 11 Layout	1:500	A3
180740 – 27	Wind Turbine Elevation and Plan	1:500	A1
180740 – 28	Gravity Foundation Detail	As shown	A3
180740 – 29	Bored Pile Foundation Detail	As shown	A3
180740 – 30	Driven Pile Foundation Detail	As shown	A3
180740 – 31	Temporary Construction Compound 1	1:500	A3
180740 – 32	Temporary Construction Compound 2	1:500	A3
180740 – 33	Peatland Restoration Area	1: 2,500	A3
180740 – 34	Permanent Signage Detail	1:20	A3
180740 – 35	Field Gate Detail	1:20	A3
180740 – 36	Site Office & Staff Facilities Detail	1:50	A3
180740 – 37	Wheel Wash Detail	1:50	A3

180740 – 38	Clear Span Watercourse Crossing	1:50	A3
180740 – 39	Proposed Junction Arrangement A	1:1,000	A3
180740 – 40	Proposed Junction Arrangement B	1:1,000	A3
180740 – 41	Proposed Junction Arrangement C	1:1,000	A3
180740 – 42	Proposed Junction Arrangement D	1:500	A3
180740 – 43	Proposed Junction Arrangement F	1:500	A3
180740 – 44	Proposed Junction Arrangement G	1:500	A3
180740 – 45	Proposed Temporary Access Road A	1:500	A3
180740 – 46	Proposed Temporary Access Road B	1:500	A3
180740 – 47	Passing Bay Detail	As Shown	A3
180740 – 48	Temporary Works Boundary Treatment	1:125	A3
180740 – 49	Cable Interface End Mast Detail	1:100	A3
<b>Gavin &amp; Doherty Geosolutions</b>			
20021-GDG-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0010	Borrow Pit Plan & Sections	1:500	A1
20021-GDG-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0100	Access Road Standard Details	NTS	A1
20021-GDG-ZZ-XX-DR-C-0101	Cable Trench Standard Details	NTS	A1
20021-GDG-ZZ-XX-DR-C-2000	Peat And Spoil Storage Area Typical Details	As Shown	A1
<b>Hydro Environmental Services Ltd.</b>			
P1508-0_D101	Proposed Drainage Layout	1:2,000	A1
P1508-0_D102	Proposed Drainage Layout	1:2,000	A1
P1508-0_D103	Proposed Drainage Layout	1:2,000	A1
P1508-0_D104	Proposed Drainage Layout	1:2,000	A1
P1508-0_D105	Proposed Drainage Layout	1:2,000	A1
P1508-0_D501	Proposed Drainage Details	As Shown	A1
P1508-0_D502	Proposed Drainage Details	As Shown	A1

## Appendix 2 – Letters of Consent

# doherty solicitors

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Our Ref: BD/AL/CLW0010001(8575)

Your Ref:

Date: 25 June 2024

MKO  
Planning & Environmental Consultants  
Tuam Road  
Galway

**Re: Clonberne Windfarm Project**

Dear Sirs,

We, Doherty Solicitors, hereby confirm that the landowners, as outlined on the attached Annex, have consented to the planning application made or to be made by Clonberne Windfarm Limited with regards to the proposed Wind Farm Project and associated Grid Connection to be known as Clonberne Wind Farm.

Please note that this confirmation does not represent a signed commitment by the respective landowners to enter into a lease of the lands which will be the subject of the said planning application.

Yours faithfully,

  
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**Brian Doherty**  
doherty solicitors  
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**ANNEX**

**CLONBERNE WIND FARM PROJECT**

**ANNEX OF LANDOWNERS WHO HAVE CONSENTED TO PLANNING PERMISSION  
FOR WIND FARM PROJECT AT CLONBERNE, BALLINASLOE, CO. GALWAY**

<b>No.</b>	<b>Name</b>
1	Ballymoyne Holdings, Grawnes, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway
2	William Burke, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
3	Vincent Canney, Park West, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
4	Alan Clarke, Claddagh East, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway
5	Austin & Ina Corcoran, 15 Glasnevin Downes, Griffith Avenue, Dublin 11
6	Thomas & Ann Costello, Knockroe, Dunmore, Co. Galway
7	Thomas Devaney, Roy, Dunmore, Co. Galway
8	Martin Joseph & Mary Donlon, Clonberne Park, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
9	Thomas Patrick Donnellan, Timadooaun, Clonbern, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
10	Declan Dowling, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
11	David Finnegan, Garden Fields, Tuam, Co. Galway
11	John Finnegan, Cortoon, Tuam, Co. Galway
13	Martin Gleeson, c/o Eric Gleeson & Company Solicitors, Shop Street, Tuam, Co. Galway
14	Nancy & Gerard Lyons, Timiduane, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
15	Thomas Meehan, Claddagh, Lavally, Tuam, Co. Galway
16	John/Nora Nolan, Lissybrooder, Dunmore, Co. Galway
17	Joe O'Neill, Clonberne, Co. Galway
18	Carmel Raftery, Derreen, Kilkerrin, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
19	Patrick Ronayne, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
20	Jarlath Ryan, c/o Eric Gleeson & Company Solicitors, Shop Street, Tuam, Co. Galway
21	Michael & Helen Silke, Timadooaun, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
22	Gerard Slattery, Clooncun, Clonberne, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway
23	Cecil Whyte, Killavoher, Dunmore, Co. Galway



## Appendix 3- Pre-Application Consultation Details

### First Meeting

The prospective applicant and members of the design team met with representatives from Galway County Council (GCC) in relation to the Proposed Project prior to the submission of this planning application.

The first meeting took place in accordance with Section 247 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) (the Act) on the 19<sup>th</sup> November 2020, via MS Teams, and included representatives from the Council's Planning, Roads, Environment, Municipal District and Heritage sections. The team gave a brief PowerPoint presentation as an introduction to the site and development proposals, including a summary of the Strategic Infrastructure Development (SID) thresholds and criteria noting the application would be made to An Bord Pleanála as SID.

Those in attendance were:

- Caroline Hannon (GCC)
- Alan O'Connell (GCC)
- Catherine Crawford (GCC)
- Fiona Holland (GCC)
- Jack Houlihan (GCC)
- Ann Dolan ((GCC)
- Christina Ryan (GCC)
- Owen Cahill (MKO)
- Jimmy Green (MKO)
- Paul Sweeney (MKO)

Matters discussed included:

- Introduction
- Strategic Infrastructure Development Consultations
- Site Location
- Site Selection
- Policy Context
- Wind Farm Design Process and Emergence of Optimal Layout
- Stakeholder Engagement and Public Consultation
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report

The Roads Department of GCC requested a comprehensive assessment of the turbine delivery route, including swept path analysis and auto-tracks analysis. It was also outlined that road realignment works were proposed by GCC and that any autotracks should adopt this where required. Additionally, GCC requested liaison with the local engineer for the Tuam area to ensure proposed works align with any network changes required for turbine delivery.

Please refer to Section 15.1.1.4 of the EIAR for further details.

### Second Meeting

A second meeting was held between members of the project team and the applicant with representatives from GCC Department via MS Teams on the 11<sup>th</sup> December 2023. The

project team gave a further overview of the Proposed Project and the design updates to the wind turbine locations and grid route connection proposals, in the form of a PowerPoint presentation. The purpose of the meeting focused on discussions of a second Grid Connection which comprises the construction of a Proposed 220kV Grid Connection including a substation and associated infrastructure on lands at Clonberne and Ballinphuil Co. Galway.

Those in attendance were:

- > Alan O'Connell – Senior Planner (Galway County Council)
- > Liam Hanrahan – Director of Planning (Galway County Council)
- > Patrick O'Sullivan – Executive Planner (Galway County Council)
- > John Walsh – Cregmore Ltd (Applicant)
- > Owen Cahill – MKO Environmental
- > Jonny Fearon – MKO Environmental
- > Alan Clancy – MKO Planning
- > Jade Power -- MKO Planning

Matters discussed included:

- > Introduction & The Applicant
- > Background
- > Project Overview
- > Planning Policy Context
- > Environmental Assessment
- > Public Consultation
- > Proposed Project Timeline

## Section 37B Consultation

The prospective Applicant engaged with An Bord Pleanála (the Board) under the provisions Section 37B of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), as to whether the Proposed Project would meet the thresholds of the Seventh Schedule of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended. The prospective applicant opened consultations with the Board in March 2020 with a Proposed Project of 11 no. wind turbines at the Clonberne site.

A SID meeting under the provisions of Section 37B (Case Reference ABP-307058-20) was held with the Board on the 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2020. Those in attendance were:

- Ciara Kellett, Assistant Director of Planning (Chair), An Bord Pleanála
- Patricia Calleary, Senior Planning Inspector, An Bord Pleanála
- Rob MacGiollarath, Executive Officer, An Bord Pleanála
- Jimmy Green, MKO
- Owen Cahill, MKO
- Paul Sweeney, MKO

The design team gave an overview of the Proposed Wind Farm in the form of a PowerPoint presentation. The presentation included:

- Introduction
- Site Location
- Site Selection
- Policy Context
- Wind Farm Design Process and Emergence of Optimal Layout
- Stakeholder Engagement and Public Consultation
- Environmental Impact Assessment Report

- Strategic Infrastructure Development Criteria

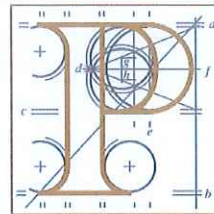
#### **Pre-Application Close out Letter**

On the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2020 MKO on behalf of the prospective Applicant sought to close the consultation process with An Bord Pleanála. On the 9<sup>th</sup> November 2020 An Bord Pleanála the Board wrote to the prospective Applicant and confirmed that the consultation was closed and that the Proposed Wind Farm was considered to be strategic infrastructure within the meaning of Section 37A of the Act and therefore the planning application should be made directly to An Bord Pleanála.

## **Appendix 4 - SID Determination Letter from An Bord Pleanála**

**Our Case Number:** ABP-307058-20

**Your Reference:** Clonberne Windfarm - 180740



An  
Bord  
Pleanála

MKO  
Tuam Road  
Galway  
H91 VW84



**Date:** 09 November 2020

**Re:** Construction of a wind energy development.

Townlands of Clonbern, Cloonarkan, Lomaunaghroe, Gortagarraun, Kilmurray and Killavoher, Co. Galway.

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) and 37A(2)(b) 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.

You are requested to submit a standalone document (which may form part of the EIAR) with the planning application, which outlines the mitigation measures, in the interest of convenience and ease of reference.

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.

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Please quote the above mentioned An Bord Pleanála reference number in any correspondence or telephone contact with the Board.

Yours faithfully,



Rob Mac Giollarnáth  
Executive Officer  
Direct Line: 01-8737247

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## Prescribed Bodies:

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 Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (Development Applications Unit)
- Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine
- Minister for Communications, Climate Action and Environment
- Minister for Transport, Tourism and Sport
- Galway County Council
- Irish Water
- Inland Fisheries Ireland
- Transport Infrastructure Ireland
- Environmental Protection Agency
- The Heritage Council
- An Taisce
- An Chomhairle Ealaíon
- Fáilte Ireland
- Irish Aviation Authority
- Health & Safety Authority
- Office of Public Works

Further notifications should also be made, where deemed appropriate.

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## Judicial review of An Bord Pleanála decisions under the provisions of the Planning and Development Acts (as amended).

A person wishing to challenge the validity of a Board decision may do so by way of judicial review only. Sections 50, 50A and 50B of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as substituted by section 13 of the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act 2006, as amended/substituted by sections 32 and 33 of the Planning and Development (Amendment) Act 2010 and as amended by sections 20 and 21 of the Environment (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 2011) contain provisions in relation to challenges to the validity of a decision of the Board.

The validity of a decision taken by the Board may only be questioned by making an application for judicial review under Order 84 of The Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986). Sub-section 50(7) of the Planning and Development Act 2000 requires that subject to any extension to the time period which may be allowed by the High Court in accordance with subsection 50(8), any application for judicial review must be made within 8 weeks of the decision of the Board. It should be noted that any challenge taken under section 50 may question only the validity of the decision and the Courts do not adjudicate on the merits of the development from the perspectives of the proper planning and sustainable development of the area and/or effects on the environment. Section 50A states that leave for judicial review shall not be granted unless the Court is satisfied that there are substantial grounds for contending that the decision is invalid or ought to be quashed and that the applicant has a sufficient interest in the matter which is the subject of the application or in cases involving environmental impact assessment is a body complying with specified criteria.

Section 50B contains provisions in relation to the cost of judicial review proceedings in the High Court relating to specified types of development (including proceedings relating to decisions or actions pursuant to a law of the state that gives effect to the public participation and access to justice provisions of Council Directive 85/337/EEC i.e. the EIA Directive and to the provisions of Directive 2001/12/EC i.e. Directive on the assessment of the effects on the environment of certain plans and programmes). The general provision contained in section 50B is that in such cases each party shall bear its own costs. The Court however may award costs against any party in specified circumstances. There is also provision for the Court to award the costs of proceedings or a portion of such costs to an applicant against a respondent or notice party where relief is obtained to the extent that the action or omission of the respondent or notice party contributed to the relief being obtained.

General information on judicial review procedures is contained on the following website, [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie).

Disclaimer: The above is intended for information purposes. It does not purport to be a legally binding interpretation of the relevant provisions and it would be advisable for persons contemplating legal action to seek legal advice.

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## Appendix 5 – EIA Portal Confirmation

## Alan Clancy

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**From:** Housing Eiaportal <EIAportal@housing.gov.ie>  
**Sent:** 25 June 2024 17:26  
**To:** Alan Clancy  
**Subject:** EIA Portal Confirmation Notice Portal ID 2024113

**Caution:** This is an external email and may be malicious. Please take care when clicking links or opening attachments.

Dear Alan,

An EIA Portal notification was received on 25/06/2024 in respect of this proposed application. The information provided has been uploaded to the EIA Portal on **25/06/2024** under EIA Portal ID number **2024113** and is available to view at

<http://housinggovie.maps.arcgis.com/apps/webappviewer/index.html?id=d7d5a3d48f104ecbb206e7e5f84b71f1>.

**Portal ID:** 2024113

**Competent Authority:** An Bord Pleanála

**Applicant Name:** Clonberne Windfarm Limited

**Location:** The townlands of Killavoher, Gortagarraun, Cloonarkan, Lomaunaghroe, Clonbern, Ballagh West, Carrownryla and Lissybroder, Co. Galway.

**Description:** 11 no. wind turbines (180m tip height), underground electrical cabling (33kV), upgrades to existing tracks/road and provision of new roads, peat and spoil management, site drainage, biodiversity enhancement and associated works

**Linear Development:** No

**Date Uploaded to Portal:** 25/06/2024

Regards,

Emmet

EIA Portal team

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**An Roinn Tithíochta, Rialtais Áitiúil agus Oidhreachta**  
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