Application to An Bord Pleanála for substitute consent

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Failure to complete this form or attach the necessary documentation, or the submission of incorrect information or omission of required information will lead to the invalidation of your application. Therefore please ensure that that each section of this application form is fully completed and signed, entering n/a (not applicable) where appropriate, and that all necessary documentation is attached to the application form.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

It should be noted that each planning authority has its own development plan, which sets out local development policies and objectives for its own area. The authority may therefore need supplementary information (i.e. other than that required in this form) in order to determine whether the application conforms with the development plan and may request this on a supplementary application form.

Failure to supply the supplementary information will not invalidate your planning application but may delay the decision-making process or lead to a refusal of permission. Therefore applicants should contact the relevant planning authority to determine what local policies and objectives would apply to the development proposed and whether additional information is required.

OTHER STATUTORY CODES

An applicant will not be entitled solely by reason of a planning permission to carry out the development. The applicant may need other consents, depending on the type of development. For example, all new buildings, extensions and alterations to, and certain changes of use of existing buildings must comply with building regulations, which set out basic design and construction requirements. Also any works causing the deterioration or destruction of the breeding and resting places of bats, otters, natterjack toads, Kerry slugs and certain marine animals constitute a criminal offence unless covered by a derogation licence issued by the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht (pursuant to Article 16 of the Habitats Directive).

DATA PROTECTION

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APPLICATION FORM

1. NAME OF RELEVANT PLANNING AUTHORITY:

Galway County Council and Clare County Council

2. LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT:

(as may best identify the	In the townlands of: Bohaboy, Boleyneendorrish, Coppanagh, Derreennamucka, Derrybrien East, Derrybrien North, Derrybrien South, Derrybrien West, Funshadaun, Kilbeg, Loughatorick North, and
	Toormacnevin in County Galway; and Slieveanore in County Clare.
<i>No</i> (and the Grid <i>Reference</i> where <i>available</i>) ¹	OS Map Galway 5000 sheets 3746, 3747, 3748, 3749, 3804, 3805, 3806, 3807, 3862, 3863, 3864, 3865, 3919, 3920, 3921 & 3922 Grid Reference: X (Easting): 159949 Y (Northing) :204711(taken from Derrybrien Substation)

3. APPLICANT²:

Gort Windfarms Limited
Address to be supplied at the end of this form (Question 19)

4. WHERE APPLICANT IS A COMPANY (REGISTERED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACTS):

l'ann a tha an (a)	John Gartland, Eadaoin Farrell, Eilish Dolan and Patrick Keane
	27 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2, D02 KT92, Ireland
Company Registration number	367625

5. PERSON/AGENT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT (IF ANY): Name Heather McMeel, Senior Planner, ESB Engineering and Maior Pariagta

and Major Projects
Address to be supplied at the end of this form (Question 20)

6. PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARATION OF DRAWINGS AND PLANS³

Name	Eileen O'Shea
Firm/Company	ESB Engineering and Major Projects

7. DESCRIPTION OF DEVELOPMENT:

Brief' description of' nature	The development consists of the proposed retention in
and extent of developnient ⁴	situ of existing development associated with the
	Derrybrien Wind Farm Development (Site 458 Ha)
	including all at- and below-ground structures as part
	of: 1) the Derrybrien Wind Farm site; 2) along the
	Derrybrien-Agannygal 110kV Overhead Line (OHL)
	route; 3) the Agannygal 110kV substation; 4) at off-
	site locations in relation to the 2003 peat slide event;

and 5) all other ancillary and associated works. Please see full description of development attached to
the back of this Application Form.

8. LEGAL INTEREST OF APPLICANT IN THE LAND OR STRUCTURE:						
Please tick appropriate box.	A. Owner X	B. Occupier X				
	C. Other X					
Where legal interest is 'Other', please expand further on your interest in the land or structure	Agannygal subst boundary, and th farm within the r other lands withi have secured lett	Limited are the owner of ation within the red line the occupier of the wind red line boundary, and for in the red line boundary ters of consent from 3rd tters of consent are application.				

9. SITE AREA:

Area of site to which the application relates in hectares

458 HA

10. WHERE THE APPLICATION RELATES TO A BUILDING OR BUILDINGS:

Gross .floor space ⁵ of existing building(s) in square metres	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in square metres (if appropriate)	N/A

11. IN THE CASE OF MIXED DEVELOPMENT (E.G. RESIDENTIAL, COMMERCIAL, INDUSTRIAL, ETC), PLEASE PROVIDE BREAKDOWN OF THE DIFFERENT CLASSES OF DEVELOPMENT AND BREAKDOWN OF THE GROSS FLOOR AREA OF EACH CLASS OF DEVELOPMENT: N/A

Class of Development	Gross floor area in square metres
N/A	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							N/A
Apartments							N/A
Number of							Total:
car- parking							N/A
spaces to be							
provided							

13. DEVELOPMENT DETAILS:				
Please tick appropriate box	Yes	No		
Does the development consist of work to a protected structure and/or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and/or its curtilage?		X		
Does the development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?		X		
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 ⁶		X		
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?	Х			
Does the development require the preparation of a remedial Environmental Impact Assessment Report?	Х			
Does the development require the preparation of a remedial Natura impact statement?	Х			
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purposes of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control licence?		X		
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purposes of an activity requiring a waste licence?	Х			
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the development?		Х		
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?		Х		
Does the development involve the demolition of any structure?		X		

14. SITE HISTORY:

Details regarding site history (if known)

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

Yes [] No [X]

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 [X]

If yes, please give details: Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land/structure?

Yes [X] No [] Please refer to Section 3.2 of the Planning Report submitted with this application for planning history details.

If yes, please state planning reference number(s) and the date(s) of receipt of the planning application(s) by the planning authority if known:

Reference No.:.... Date:....

15. SERVICES:N/A
Source of Water Supply
Public Mains [] Group Water Scheme [] Private Well []
Other (please specify):.
Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable):
Wastewater Management/Treatment
Public Sewer [] Conventional septic tank system []
Other on-site treatment system [] Please specify.
Surface Water Disposal
Public Sewer/Drain [] Soakpit []
Watercourse [] Other [] Please specify.

16. DETAILS OF PUBLIC NOTICE:

Approved newspaper ⁷ in	Irish Independent and Connaught Tribune
which notice was published	
Date of publication	03/07/2025 (Irish Independent); 04/07/2025
	(Connaught Tribune)
Date on which site notice was erected	03/07/25

17. APPLICATION FEE:

Fee Payable	€38,000
Basis of Calculation	13. Development not coming within any of the foregoing classes. $\in 80$, or $\in 10$ for each 0.1 hectare of site area, whichever is the greater. Site area approx. 458 Ha (tbc) x $\in 10 = \notin 45,800$.
	However, as per Section 3 of Schedule 9 of the Regulations 'Maximum and minimum fees for planning applications', the maximum fee payable to a Planning Authority by an applicant in respect of an application other than an application mentioned in paragraph 1 (application for outline permission), 2 (application under article 161), 3 (application for retention of unauthorised development) or 6 (large- scale residential development) shall be \in 38,000.
	The maximum fee of €38,000 therefore applies.

18. DECLARATION:

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and fully compliant with the Planning & Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Regulations made thereunder.

Signed

Signed	Heather McMeel
(Applicant or Agent as	greather memore
appropriate)	Heather McMeel, Agent
5	10/07/05

appropriate)	
Date	

10/07/25

CONTACT DETAILS - NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

19. APPLICANT ADDRESS/CONTACT DETAILS:		
Address	27 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2, D02 KT92, Ireland	
Email address	FAO Siobhán Sugrue, Company Secretary: subcosecretarial@esb.ie	
Telephone number (optional)	N/A	

20. AGENT'S (IF ANY) ADDRESS/CONTACT DETAILS:		
Address	Heather McMeel, ESB Engineering and Major Projects, One Dublin Airport Central, Dublin Airport, Cloghran, Co. Dublin K67 XF72	
Email address	heather.mcmeel@esb.ie	
Telephone number (optional)	086 176 7511	
Should all correspondence be sent to the agent's address? Please tick appropriate box. (Please note that if the answer is 'No', all correspondence will be sent to the applicant's address) Yes [X] No []		

A contact address must be given, whether that of the applicant or that of the agent.

19. APPLICANT ADDRESS/CONTACT DETAILS:

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This form should be accompanied by the following documentation:

Please note that if the appropriate documentation is not included, your application will be deemed invalid

ALL Applications

The relevant page of newspaper that contains notice of your application

A copy of the site notice

6 copies of site location maps

- 6 copies of site or layout plan as appropriates
- 6 copies of plans and other particulars required to describe the works to which the development relates (include detailed drawings of floor plans, elevations and sections) as appropriates

The appropriate Fee

Where the disposal of wastewater for the development is other than to a public sewer: N/A

Information on the on-site treatment system and evidence as to the suitability of the site for the system.

Where the application refers to a protected structure/ proposed protected structure/ or the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA): N/A

D Photographs, plans and other particulars necessary to show how the development affects the character of the structure.

Where an application requires an Environmental Impact Assessment Report or a Natura Impact Statement:



A copy of the confirmation notice received from the EIA portal in accordance with article 97B(2) of the permission regulations



A Natura Impact Statement

Directions for completing this form

- 1. Grid reference in terms of the Irish Transverse Mercator.
- 2. 'The applicant' means the person seeking the consent, not an agent acting on his or her behalf.
- 3. Where the plans have been drawn up by a firm/company the name of the person primarily responsible for the preparation of the drawings and plans, on behalf of that firm/company, should be given.
- 4. A brief description of the nature and extent of the development, including reference to the number and height of buildings, protected structures, etc.
- 5. Gross floor space means the area ascertained by the internal measurement of the floor space on each floor of a building, that is, floor areas must be measured from inside the external wall.
- 6. The Record of Monuments and Places, under section 12 of the National Monuments Amendment Act 1994, is available, for each county, in the local authorities and public libraries in that county. Please note also that if the proposed development affects or is close to a national monument which, under the National Monuments Acts 1930 to 2004, is in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht or a local authority, or is the subject of a preservation order or a temporary preservation order, a separate statutory consent is required, under the National Monuments Acts, from the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht. For information on whether national monuments are in the ownership or guardianship of the Minister for Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht or a local authority or are the subject of preservation orders, contact the National Monuments Section, Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht.
- 7. A list of approved newspapers, for the purpose of giving notice of intention to make a planning application, is available from the planning authority.
- 8. All plans, drawings and maps submitted to the planning authority should be in accordance with the requirements of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001-2018.".

Attachment 1: Answer to Section 7

Section 7 Description of Development

The development consists of the proposed retention *in situ* of existing development associated with the Derrybrien Wind Farm Development (Site 458 Ha) including all at- and below-ground structures as part of: 1) the Derrybrien Wind Farm site; 2) the Derrybrien-Agannygal 110kV Overhead Line (OHL); 3) the Agannygal 110kV substation; 4) at off-site locations where development took place in response to the 2003 peat slide event; and 5) all other ancillary and associated works.

In the interests of clarity, it is proposed the following elements are retained *in situ* following the completion of works for the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm Development:

- 1) At the existing Derrybrien Wind Farm:
 - a. reinforced concrete foundations for 70 no. wind turbines;
 - b. reinforced concrete foundations of structures within the Derrybrien substation compound;
 - c. reinforced concrete foundations of 2 no. Anemometer masts;
 - d. approx. 17.5 km of access tracks and 70 no. hardstanding areas;
 - e. direct buried underground electrical and communications cabling;
 - f. 3 no. borrow pits/quarries;
 - g. naturalised peat repository areas; and
 - h. onsite drainage infrastructure.
- 2) Along the route of the Derrybrien to Agannygal 110kV OHL:
 - a. Below ground elements of 34 No. double wood pole sets; and
 - b. Reinforced concrete foundations associated with end masts (2 No.), angle masts (5 No.) and an intermediate mast (1 No.).
- 3) At the existing Agannygal 110kV Substation:
 - a. Concrete foundations of structures within the Agannygal Substation compound.
- 4) At off-site locations where features were constructed in response to the 2003 peat slide event:
 - a. Barrage 1 and Coillte Access Track;
 - b. Barrage 2, access track and Repository Area;
 - c. Barrage 3 and Repository Area;
 - d. Barrage 4;
 - e. Repository Area at the Black Road Bridge;
 - f. Minor repair works to instream structures/bridges at Black Road Bridge, Flaggy Bridge, Unnamed Bridge C, and Crooked Bridge;
 - g. Minor borrow pits used to source material; and
 - h. Drainage works.
- 5) All other ancillary and associated works.

Note for Information Purposes: a separate application is being made to An Coimisiún Pleanála ("the Commission") in relation to proposed physical works associated with the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm.

The application is accompanied by a remedial Environmental Impact Assessment Report (rEIAR) and a remedial Natura Impact Statement (rNIS).

The application relates to development which comprises or is for the purposes of an activity requiring a waste licence.

Attachment 2: Letters of Consent

DERRYBRIEN DECOMMISSIONING PROJCECT - Substitute Consent

Landowner	Address
Eamonn Larkin	Liss, Kylebrack, Loughrea, Co Galway.
Patrick Broderick	Derrybrien, Loughrea, H62 DN73
C/O Frances Broderick	
Eamon Mahony	Ballintubber East, Kilrekil, Loughrea, Co. Galway
Michael Mahony	Beaulnamelly, Derrybrien, Loughrea,
Oliver Fallon	Bothar Buí, Kinvara, Co. Galway
Joe Slattery	Derrybrien, Loughrea, Co. Galway.
Gerard Comer	Moyglass, Loughrea, Co. Galway
Ambrose and Mary Hodgins	Tynagh, Co. Galway
John Murphy	16, Cross St., Loughrea, H62 E240
Brian Egan	Clodagh Broderick, Woodberry, Kirconnell, Co. Galway
C/O Fiona Kelly (née Egan); Clodagh Broderick (née Egan)	Fiona Kelly, Coxtown, Ardrahan, Co. Galway.
ESB Networks (ESBN)	C/O John Connolly, Senior Manager, Networks Assets ESB Generation & Trading, 27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin D02 KT92
Coillte	Coillte, Dublin Road, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow, A63 DN25

Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Eamonn Larkin, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawings GY66659F, hereby grant consent for its inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject land and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the lands for the execution of the proposed works.

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Eamonn Larkin



Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Frances Broderick, p.p. Patrick Broderick, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawings GY42159F, hereby grant consent for their inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject land and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the lands for the execution of the proposed works.

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Frances Broderick



Date: 16 /12/2024

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Eamonn Mahony, as the registered owner of the lands hatched on attached drawings GY33269F, GY33269F-, hereby grants consent for its inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject lands and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

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Eamonn Mahony



Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam.

I wish to confirm that I, Michael Mahony, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawings GY18319N, GY46715N and GY18327N hereby grants consent for their inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject land and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the lands for the execution of the proposed works.

Michael Mahony Michael Mahony 6.2.2025.







Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Oliver Fallon, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawing GY23031N hereby grants consent for their inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject land and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

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Oliver Fallon



Date: 05/02/2025

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Joseph Slattery, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawings GY33270F, GY18327N hereby grants consent for their inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject lands and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the lands for the execution of the proposed works.

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Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, Gerard Comar, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawing GY91735F, hereby grants consent for its inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject lands and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

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Gerard Comar



Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that we, Ambrose and Mary Hodgins, as the registered owners of the land hatched on attached drawing GY130624F, hereby grants consent for its inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject lands and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

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Ambrose and Mary Hodgins



Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that I, John Murphy, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawing GY18328N, hereby grants consent for its inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject lands and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

John Murphy 24/2/2027



Date:

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to confirm that

as the registered owner/owners of the land attached to drawing GY37870N hereby grants/grant consent for their inclusion in a planning application for the purposes outlined above.

Please note that this consent does not convey to ESB any interest in the subject land and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made. This letter of consent is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise

3 -> of this planning application and I/we may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give ESB or its contractors permission to access the land for the execution of the proposed works.

4-3# Fiona Egan, Cladagh Egan 5- 24/2/25 24/2/25




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28th March 2025

Re: Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project Application

Dear Sir / Madam,

I, John Connolly of ESB Networks (ESBN), confirm that ESBN are the owners of the Agannygal – Ennis and Agannygal – Shannonbridge 110 kV Lines that are connected to Agannygal substation [Located in folio 126447F, situate in the Townland of Loughatorick North, in the Barony of Leitrim, County Galway and registered to Gort Windfarms Limited].

ESBN consent to the submission of an application by Gort Windfarms Limited for applicable consent(s)/permission(s) for the Derrybrien Wind Farm Decommissioning Project including the associated works on the Agannygal – Ennis and Agannygal – Shannonbridge 110 kV Lines at the Agannygal substation as set out the attached drawing.

Please note that this consent does not convey to Gort Windfarms Limited any interest in the subject 110 kV lines or its infrastructure and is for the sole purpose of allowing a planning application to be made.

This consent letter is not intended to be a reflection on the merits or otherwise of this planning application and I may make separate submissions to the relevant Authority under the Planning and Development Acts 2000 (as amended).

This letter of consent does not give Gort Windfarms Limited or its contractors permission to access the subject 110 kV lines or its infrastructure for the execution of the proposed works.

Yours faithfully,

For and on behalf of ESB Networks

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John Connolly Senior Manager, Networks Assets

Encl. Drawing







Our Ref: CLS_ABP_LTR_643

SID Department An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin DO1 V902

9th June 2025

Re: Letter of Consent regarding the Substitute Consent Application by Gort Windfarms Ltd. for the Derrybrien Wind Farm as relates to sections of Coillte CGA's Coppanagh, Toormacnevin, Derrybrien North, Derrybrien East, Boleyneendorrish, Derrybrien West, Loughatorick and Lough Atorick North properties in Co. Galway

Dear Sir/Madam,

This letter refers to the estate, right and title of Coillte CGA in the properties known as Coppanagh, Toormacnevin, Derrybrien North, Derrybrien East, Boleyneendorrish, Derrybrien West, Loughatorick and Lough Atorick North, Co. Galway which property is outlined and hatched in blue on the indicative Map 1 attached hereto (hereinafter called "**the Property**").

We refer to the proposal by Gort Windfarms Ltd. to make a Substitute Consent Application in relation to the Derrybrien Wind Farm which includes the matters relating to historical construction activity and the response to the 2003 peat slide as more particularly shown in Map 2 and Map 3 attached hereto. In addition, the application will also include the following retention requirements on sections of the Property illustrated on Map 4 including:

- 1. Retention of barrage 1 and access track
- 2. Retention of barrage 2 and repository area
- 3. Retention of barrage 3 and repository area
- 4. Retention of barrage 4
- 5. Retention of the repository area at the Black Road Bridge
- 6. Retention of a borrow pit area

(hereinafter collectively called "the Retention Items")

We wish to advise that we have no objection in principle to the submission of a planning application as it concerns the Property which solely relates to the matters outlined in Maps 2 and 3 along with the Retention Items and hereby furnish this letter for the purposes of consent only to the submission of this application by Gort Wind Farm Limited and for no other purpose.

Please note that this letter is not and shall not constitute a note or memorandum in writing for the purposes of Section 51 of the Land and Conveyancing Law Reform Act, 2009.

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

Stiúrthóirí / Directors: Vivienne Jupp (Cathaoirleach/Chair), Deirdre-Ann Barr, Gerard Gray, Imelda Hurley (Príomhoifigeach Feidhmiúcháin/Chief Executive), Patrick Eamon King, Kevin McCarthy, Gerard Murphy, Eleanor O'Neill.

Cláraithe in Éirinn No. 138108. Oifig Chláraithe: Coillte CGA, Baile an Chinnéidigh, Co. Cill Mhantáin, A63 DN25, Éire.

Registered in Ireland No. 138108. Registered Office: Coillte CGA, Dublin Road, Newtownmountkennedy, Co. Wicklow, A63 DN25, Ireland.



We trust you will find the above in order. Should you have further queries, please do not hesitate to contact us.

Yours faithfully, Brenda Molloy Coillte CGA

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Attachment 3: Newspaper Notices – Irish Independent and Connaught Tribune

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CONNACHT TRIBUNE FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025

APPLICATION TO AN COMISIÓN PLEANÁLA FOR SUBSTITUTE CONSENT

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 - reinforced concrete foundations of 2 no. Anemometer masts
 - approx. 17.5 km of access tracks and 70 no. hardstanding areas;
 - direct buried underground electrical and communications cabling;
 - 3 no. borrow pits/quarries;
 - naturalised peat repository areas; and
- h. onsite drainage infrastructure.2) Along the route of the Derrybrien to Agannygal 110kV OHL:
 - a. Below ground elements of 34 No. double wood pole sets; and
- ced concrete foundations associated with end masts (2 No.), angle masts (5 No.) and an intermediate Reinfor mast (1 No.).
- At the existing Agannygal 110kV Substation:
 a. Concrete foundations of structures within the Agannygal Substation compound.

4) At off-site locations where features were constructed in response to the 2003 peat slide event:

- Barrage 1 and Coillte Access Track;
 - b. Barrage 2, access track and Repository Area;
 - Barrage 3 and Repository Area;
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- Repository Area at the Black Road Bridge;
- Minor repair works to instream structures/bridges at Black Road Bridge, Flaggy Bridge, Unnamed Bridge C, and Crooked Bridge;
- Minor borrow pits used to source material; and
- Drainage works. 5) All other ancillary and associated works.

Note for Information Purposes: a separate application is being made to An Coimisiún Pleanála ("the Commission") in relation to proposed physical works associated with the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm.

The application is accompanied by a remedial Environmental Impact Assessment Report (rEIAR) and a remedial Natura Impact Statement (rNIS).

The application relates to development which comprises or is for the purposes of an activity requiring a waste licen

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Galway City Council We wish to apply on behalf of Christopher Williams for Retention & Permission to, 1. Construct new front extension (area 9.69m?), 2. Internal modifications to existing floor plan (area 9.89m?), 3. Retention of parity constructed vehicular entrance and permission to complete vehicular entrance with onsite parking and, 4. All associated vehicular entrance and permission to complete vehicular entrance with onsite parking and, 4. All associated paplication may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning of 4.00m Monday to Friday. A submission or observation in pailotin ot the apolication may be to 4.00pm Monday to Finday. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning Authority on payment of a fee of e20.00, within the 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt, by the Galway City Council, of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority in making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant

Signed: Richard Huggard (MRIAI), OAS Architects, Unit 9A, Howley Square, Oranmore, Co. Galway. 086 1559793

Galway County Council 1, David Gilhooley, seek permission for development at Castleambert, Athonny, Co. Galway. Works lo consist of construction of a new develing house, wastewater system, garage & all associated aite services. This may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Office during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of 420 made in writing on payment of 620 within 5 weeks of receipt of application. Signed: Ryehill Planning & Design

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL I, Bernadette O'Neill intend to apply for planning permission for extensions and alterations to

extensions and atterations to existing self-contained apartment involving part demolition of existing apartment. The proposed two-bedroom apartment will be attached to the existing dwelling on site. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the planning office, Galway County Council, County Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway between the hours of 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday. A submission or observa in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee of €20.00 within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application. Signed: Bernadette O'Neill

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission is being sought on behalf of Hans & Aedamar Hofmann for 1) removal of existing beriant of name a reduiting dilapidated garage/shed 2) construction of new domestic garage, and all associated site (existing garage). 57 sqn (proposed garage), at Cregg, Oughterard, County Galway. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at lee not exceeding the reasionable cost of making a copy, at the clices of the Planning Authority at the Planning Office, Galway County Council, County Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway during office hours 0.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday (Wednesday 10.00 am to 4.00pm). A submission or observation in reliation to the 10.00 am to 4.00pm). A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of a fee of 420.00, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application. The elanning a uthority may grant planning authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant

Signed: O'Halloran Engineering -Engineering & Planning Consultant +353 (0) 87 687 3021 ohalloranengineering@gmail.com Ardnasillagh, Oughterard, County Galway

APPLICATION TO AN COIMISIÚN PLEANÁLA FOR PERMISSION IN RELATION TO A DEVELOPMENT OF LAND; SECTION 37L OF THE PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000, AS AMENDED

We, Gort Windfarms Limited, intend to apply for permission under section 37L of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended for development at this site.

In the townlands of: Bohaboy, Boleyneendorrish, Coppanagh, Derreennamucka, Derrybrien East, Derrybrien North, Derrybrien West, Funshadaun, Loughatorick North, Loughatorick South, Toormacnevin: in County Galway

The development consists of works to enable the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm Development (Site 132 HA), -described throughout the planning application as the 'Prospective Development', and comprising of the following elements:

- 1) Enabling works to facilitate the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm:
- a. The establishment of 3 no. temporary compounds and hardstanding areas; Vegetation clearance and minor levelling works at the existing hardstand areas and access tracks; b.
- c. Improvements to existing access roads and forestry tracks.
- 2) Decommissioning of Derrybrien Wind Farm:
- a. The removal of 70 no. turbines (blades, nacelle and tower); and b. The removal of 2 no. anemometer lattice masts, electrical equipment and the substation building
- at the Derrybrien substation compound. 3) Decommissioning and removal of the Derrybrien Wind Farm grid connection and the Reinstatement
- of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110 kV Line: a. Destringing of the overhead line conductor along the Derrybrien-Agannygal 110 kV Overhead
- Line: Removal of the overhead line infrastructure along the Derrybrien-Agannygal 110 kV Overhead
- Line (34 no. double wood pole structures and 8 no. masts);
- Removal of Agannygal substation and demolition of control building;
- Removal of standby generator (bunded) and diesel tank, external lighting poles, lightning mast; Removal of palisade fencing surrounding the Agannygal substation; and d ment of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110kV Line.
- The reinsta 4) All ancillary and associated development works, including any temporary works necessary to facilitate the development

Note for Information Purposes: a separate application is being made to An Coimisiún Pleanála ("the Commission") in relation to inter alia the retention in situ of all subsurface infrastructure, hardstand areas and the internal road network at the Derrybrien Wind Farm site on completion of the decommissioning

The application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natura Impact Statement (NIS).

The application and accompanying documentation, including the EIAR and NIS, may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála and the relevant planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to An Coimisiún Pleanála in writing within the period of 8 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the Commission of the application.

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GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Shane Hynes intends to apply for Permission to construct a four bay slatted cattle shed on his lands at Gorteen, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway. Gorteen, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway, The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the office of the planning authority at the planning office, Galway County Council, County Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of 420 within 5 weeks of receipt of application.

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission is being sought to retain temporary storage container & Veranda for use as cale with outdoor sealing area and signage at Cill Einne, Kilronan, Inis Mor Aran Islands, Co. Galway for Aran Islands Knitwear & Gitts Ltd. The application may be inspected or purchased at the planning Hall, Prespect Hill, Galway during office hours 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to chear with a retained to the application in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of 420 within a 5 week period beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application. GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL application. SIGNED: S. Hanniffy & Associates, Cottage, Cottage, Chartered Engineers, Cottag Maree, Oranmore, Co., Galway,

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL I wish to apply to Galway County Council For full permission to construct a private dwelling house, domestic Garage, with on aits severage treatment system and all other site services. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its open hours, in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on the payment of prescribed fee (620) within period of seeks beginning on the date of eeeligh ty the planning authority of meeting the planning author GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

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Comhairle Chontae na Gaillimhe Contae Inc. C. O Dominail cead a iaraich ar Chomhairle Contae na gaillimhe chun teach conaithe, garáiste & córas séarachais a thógail i méar a Doine Searnach ag Oligí Pheandla na Comhairle Gontae i thí gadh uaireanta oitre la féidir Luairm a nochtach nó chuar a teachtinn taobh stigh de Lainea Leachtinn taobh stigh de cill seardiae in cUdanas Phleanala, ach taille éa lo foc. Signed: C. O Dominail

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission is being sought by Marcin Furmaniak & Sarah Feagan to construct a new dwelling house, domestic garage, new effluent treatment system including all associated site works at Over. Rosscahil, Go. Galway. This application may be inspected or purchased at the planning office of the Galway County Council, Prospect Hill, Galway during office hours Monday to Friday. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of &20 within 5 weeks of receipt of the application by the planning authority. to construct a new dwelling house, application by the planning authority. Signed: Marcin Furmaniak & Sarah Feagan

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission sought from Galway County Council by J.Hughes at Kilcolgan, Council by JHughes at Ballinderren, Kilcolgan, Co.Gatway. The development will consist of (1) Permission sought for Retention of single storey extension to rear of existing commercial unit and (2) All associated site works and services. This may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Office during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of 620 within 5 weeks of receipt of application. Signed: Archeco, Tom O'Toole.

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Attachment 4: Site Notice

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a copy, at the office of An Coimisiún Pleanála, or the relevant planning authority during its public opening hours.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to An Coimisiún Pleanála (Tel. 01-8588100).

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Signed: Heather McMeel

(Agent for the Applicant: Heather McMeel, ESB Engineering and Major Projects, One Dublin Airport Central, Dublin Airport, Cloghran, Co. Dublin, K67 XF72)

Date of erection of site notice: 03/07/2025