#### **Planning Application Form**

#### PLANNING APPLICATION FORM

#### **BEFORE FILLING OUT THIS FORM PLEASE NOTE THE FOLLOWING**

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 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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#### **1. NAME OF RELEVANT PLANNING AUTHORITY:**

#### Galway County Council

### 2. LOCATION OF DEVELOPMENT:

Postal Address or	In the townlands of: Bohaboy, Boleyneendorrish,	
Town/and or Location	Coppanagh, Derreennamucka, Derrbrien East,	
(as may best identify the land or structure in	Derrybrien North, Derrybrien West, Funshadaun,	
question)	Loughatorick North, Loughatorick South,	
4.000000	Toormacnevin; in County Galway.	
Ordnance Survey Map Ref	OS Map: Galway 5000 sheets 3746, 3747, 3748, 3749,	
No (and the Grid	3804, 3805, 3806, 3807, 3862, 3863, 3864, 3865,	
$Reference$ where $available)^1$	3919, 3920, 3921 & 3922	
uvulluble)	Grid Reference: X (Easting): 159949 Y (Northing)	
	:204711(taken from Derrybrien Substation)	

# 3. TYPE OF PLANNING PERMISSION (PLEASE TICK APPROPRIATE BOX):

[X] Permission

- ] Permission for retention
- ] Outline Permission
- ] Permission consequent on Grant of Outline Permission

# 4. WHERE PLANNING PERMISSION IS CONSEQUENT ON GRANT OF OUTLINE PERMISSION: N/A

Outline Permission Register Reference Number:.....

### 5. APPLICANT<sup>2</sup>:

Name(s)	Gort Windfarms Limited
	Contact details to be supplied at the end of this form. (Question: 24)

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

1. ( )	John Gartland, Eadaoin Farrell, Eilish Dolan and Patrick Keane
Registered Address (of company)	27 Fitzwilliam Street Lower, Dublin 2, D02 KT92, Ireland
Company Registration number	367625

# 7. PERSON/AGENT ACTING ON BEHALF OF THE APPLICANT (IF ANY):

Heather McMeel, Senior Planner, ESB Engineering and Major Projects
Address to be supplied at the end of this form. (Question 25)

# 8. PERSON RESPONSIBLE FOR PREPARATION OF DRAWINGS AND PLANS<sup>3</sup>: Name Eileen O'Shea

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Firm/Company	ESB Engineering and Major Projects

### 9. DESCRIPTION OF PROPOSED DEVELOPMENT:

nature and extent of development <sup>4</sup>	The development consists of the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm (Site 132 HA). Please see full description of development attached to the
	back of this Application Form.

### **10. LEGAL INTEREST OF APPLICANT IN THE LAND OR STRUCTURE:**

<b>Please tick appropriate box.</b> Where legal interest is 'Other', please expand further on your interest in the land or structure	A. Owner X C. Other X	B. Occupier X
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	the red line boundary within the red line bo	n within the red line er of the wind farm within r; and for other lands oundary have secured m 3rd parties. These letters

# **11. SITE AREA:**

Area of site to which the application relates in hectares 132 ha

12. WHERE THE APPLICATION RELATES TO A BUILDING OR BUILDINGS:				
Gross floor space <sup>5</sup> of any existing building(s) in $m^2$	Existing structures 347.85 sq.m			
Gross floor space of proposed works in m <sup>2</sup>	N/A			
Gross floor space of work to be retained in $m^2$ (if appropriate)	N/A			
<i>Gross floor space of any demolition in</i> $m^2$ ( <i>if appropriate</i> )	347.85 sq.m			

### 13. 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 m <sup>2</sup>
N/A	N/A

#### 14. IN THE CASE OF RESIDENTIAL DEVELOPMENT PLEASE PROVIDE BREAKDOWN OF RESIDENTIAL MIX: N/A

BREAKDOW	N OF KES	DENIL	AL MIX	: IN/A			
Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4+ Bed	Total
Houses							
Apartments							
Number_of							Total:
car-parking							
spaces to be provided							
provided							

### 15. 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:

<i>Existing use</i> <sup>6</sup> (or previous use where retention permission is sought)	Wind Farm (all commercial operations ceased on site in 2022).
<i>Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)</i>	Reinstated Site
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)	Proposal relates to entire 132Ha site.

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# 16. SOCIAL AND AFFORDABLE HOUSING: N/A

16. SUCIAL AND AFFORDABLE 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> <sup>7</sup>		X
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 including, for example,		N/A
(i) details of such part or parts of the land which is subject to the application for permission or is or are specified by the Part V agreement, or houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be transferred to the planning authority, or details of houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be leased to the planning authority, or details of any combination of the foregoing, and		
(ii)details of the calculations and methodology for calculating values of land, site costs, normal construction and development costs and profit on those costs and other related costs such as an appropriate share of any common development works as required to comply with the provisions in Part V of the Act.		
If the answer to the above question is 'yes' but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 <sup>8</sup> , a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).		
If the answer to the above question is 'no' by virtue of section $96(13)$ of the Planning and Development Act $2000^9$ , details indicating the basis on which section $96(13)$ is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.		

Please tick appropriate box	Yes	No
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and/or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and/or its curtilage?	!	X
Does the proposed 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 <sup>1</sup> "?	,	X
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report <sup>11</sup> ?	X	
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site (under S.I. No. 94 of 1997) or a Natural Heritage Area <sup>12</sup> ?	X	
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?		X
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?		X
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?		X
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any structure?	X	

#### **18. 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 application 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: .....

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 the site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with article 19(4) of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 as amended.

Please note that the site notices for this application being made under Section 37L of the Act have been erected on a yellow background as a separate application is being made on the same day under Section 177E of the Act. This was agreed prior to submission with An Bord Pleanála at pre-planning consultation stage (Ref. ABP-321862-25). Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development<sup>3</sup>?

Yes [ ] No [ X ]

An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: .....

#### **19. PRE-APPLICATION CONSULTATION:**

Has a pre-application consultation taken place in relation to the proposed development<sup>14</sup>?

Yes [X] No []

If yes, please give details: Held online via Microsoft Teams.

Reference No. (if any): ABP-321862-25

Date(s) of consultation: 07/02/2025

Persons involved: For ABP: Daniel O'Connor, Karen Hamilton, Ian Campbell. For Applicant: Heather McMeel, Brendan Allen, Daniel Hogan, Robert Laird.

20.	<b>SERVICES:</b>	N/A

Proposed Source of Water Supply

Existing connection [ ] New connection [

Public Mains [ ] Group Water Scheme [ ] Private Well [

Other (please specify): .....

Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): ..... Proposed Wastewater Management/Treatment

Existing [ ] New [ ]

Public Sewer [ ] Conventional septic tank system []

Other on-site treatment system [ ] Please specify..... *Proposed Surface Water Disposal* 

Public Sewer/Drain [ ] Soakpit [

Watercourse [ ] Other [ ] Please specify.....

## **21. DETAILS OF PUBLIC NOTICE:**

Approved	Irish Independent and the Connaught Tribune	
newspaper <sup>15</sup> in which		
notice was published		
Date of publication	03/07/2025 (Irish Independent); 04/07/2025 (Connaught Tribune)	
Date on which site notice	03/07/2025	
was erected		

# **22. APPLICATION FEE:**

Fee Payable	€13,200
Basis of Calculation	Class 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. 132Ha x $\in 10 = \in 13,200$ .

23. DECLARATION:		
<i>l 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 &amp; Development Act 2000, as amended, and the Regulations made thereunder.</i>		
Signed (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	<i>Heather McMeel</i> Heather McMeel, Agent	
Date	10/07/2025	

# CONTACT DETAILS - NOT TO BE PUBLISHED

24. 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	

Address         Heather McMeel, ESB Engineering and Major Projects, One Dublin           Central, Dublin Airport, Cloghran, Co. Dublin K67 XF72	
Email address	heather.mcmeel@esb.ie
Telephone number (optional)	086 176 7511
Should all correspondence be s (Please note that if the answer	ent to the agent's address (where applicable)? Please tick appropriate box. 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.

#### 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.

#### **<u>ALL</u>** Planning Applications

The relevant page of newspaper that contains notice of your application

A copy of the site notice

 $\checkmark$  6 copies of site location map<sup>16</sup>

- $\checkmark$  6 copies of site or layout plan<sup>16+17</sup>
- 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 except in the case of outline permission)

The appropriate Planning Fee

#### Where the applicant is not the legal owner of the land or structure in question:

The written consent of the owner to make the application

# Where the application is for residential development that is subject to Part V of the 2000 Act:N/A

- □ Details of the manner in which it is proposed to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act including, for example,
  - (i) details of such part or parts of the land which is subject to the application for permission or is or are specified by the Part V agreement, or houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be transferred to the planning authority, or details of houses situated on such aforementioned land or elsewhere in the planning authority's functional area proposed to be leased to the planning authority, or details of any combination of the foregoing, and
  - (ii) details of the calculations and methodology for calculating values of land, site costs, normal construction and development costs and profit on those costs and other related costs such as an appropriate share of any common development works as required to comply with the provisions in Part V of the Act.
- or

 $\square$  A certificate of exemption from the requirements of Part V

or

 $\Box$  A copy of the application submitted for a certificate of exemption.

# Where the application is for residential development that is not subject to Part V of the 2000 Act by virtue of section 96(13) of the Act: N/A

 $\Box$  Information setting out the basis on which section 96(13) is considered to apply to the development.

# Where the disposal of wastewater for the proposed development is other than to a public sewer: $N\!/\!A$

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

# 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

□ Photographs, plans and other particulars necessary to show how the development would affect the character of the structure.

# Applications that refer to a material change of use or retention of such a material change of use: N/A

□ Plans (including a site or layout plan and drawings of floor plans, elevations and sections which comply with the requirements of article 23) and other particulars required describing the works proposed.

#### Where an application requires an Environmental Impact Assessment Report:

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report, and

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

#### Applications that are exempt from planning fees: N/A

 $\Box$  Proof of eligibility for exemption<sup>18</sup>

Attachment 1: Answer to Section 9

### Section 9 Description of Development

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;
  - b. Vegetation clearance and minor levelling works at the existing hardstand areas and access tracks; and
  - 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;
  - b. Removal of the overhead line infrastructure along the Derrybrien-Agannygal 110 kV Overhead Line (34 no. double wood pole structures and 8 no. masts);
  - c. Removal of Agannygal substation and demolition of control building;
  - d. Removal of standby generator (bunded) and diesel tank, external lighting poles, lightning mast;
  - e. Removal of palisade fencing surrounding the Agannygal substation; and
  - f. The reinstatement of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110kV Line.
- 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 works.

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

**Attachment 2: Letters of Consent** 

# DERRYBRIEN DECOMMISSIONING PROJCECT - Prospective Works

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.
Geert Janssen	Loughatorick North, Moyglass, H62 WV60.
Gerard Comer	Moyglass, Loughrea, Co. Galway
Ambrose and Mary Hodgins	Tynagh, Co. Galway
John Murphy	16, Cross St., Loughrea, H62 E240
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, Geert Jan/isen, as the registered owner of the land hatched on attached drawings GY38776F, 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 land for the execution of the proposed works.

Geent Geert Janfisen



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




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**Private & Confidential** An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin 1 D01 V902

28<sup>th</sup> 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\_648

SID Department An Bord Pleanála 64 Marlborough Street Dublin DO1 V902

4<sup>th</sup> June 2025

## Re: Letter of Consent regarding the Planning Application by Gort Windfarms Ltd. for the Decommissioning of 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 ("Map 1") attached hereto (hereinafter called "the Property").

We refer to the proposal by Gort Windfarms Ltd. to make an application for the decommissioning of the Derrybrien Wind Farm which includes the following requirements on sections of the Property:

- 1. Access over the existing road at Coppanagah and Toormacnevin properties to carry out the decommissioning works.
- 2. Access over Derrybrien North, Derrybrien East and Loughatorick properties to decommission sections of the overhead line.
- 3. Access over an existing road at Lough Atorick North and Loughatrorick properties to decommission the Agannygal Substation
- 4. Access over a section of the existing Ennis to Shannonbridge 110KV overhead line route to carry out reconnection works when the Agannygal substation is being decommissioned
- 5. To utilise an existing hardstand area at Toormacnevin property for a compound during the decommissioning works
- 6. To oversail sections of the Property with turbine blades when carrying out the decommissioning works.
- 7. To place bat boxes on bridges along the public road on lands that are within Coillte folios

The proposed locations of the above as it concerns the Property are shown on Map 2 and Map 3 attached hereto. We wish to advise that we have no objection in principle to the submission of a planning application which solely relates to the aforementioned works being undertaken on the Property in the manner illustrated in Map 2 and Map 3 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.

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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.

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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## Map 1: The Property (Lands Outlined and hatched in Blue)







Attachment 3: Newspaper Notices – Irish Independent and Connaught Tribune

# 88 IIII PLANNING, LEGAL & PUBLIC NOTICES

### **APPLICATION TO AN COIMISIÚN PLEANÁLA** FOR SUBSTITUTE CONSENT

We, Gort Windfarms Limited, intend to apply for substitute consent for development at this site in the townlands dorrish, Coppanagh, Derreennamucka, Derrybrien East, Derrybrien North, Derrybrien South, of: Bohaboy, Boley Derrybrien West, Funshadaun, Kilbeg, Loughatorick North and Toormacnevin in County Galway; and Slieveanor in County Clare

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 Detrybrien Wind Farm site; 2) the Detrybrien-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 lary 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:
- reinforced concrete foundations for 70 no. wind turbines; reinforced concrete foundations of structures within the Derrybrien substation compound;
- 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; e.
- 3 no. borrow pits/quarries;

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- naturalised peat repository areas; and
- onsite drainage infrastructure.
- 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.
  At off-site locations where features were constructed in response to the 2003 peat slide event:
  a. Barrage I and Coillte Access Track;
- Barrage 2, access track and Repository Area; b. Barrage 3 and Repository Area;
- d Barrage 4:
- f.
- Darrage +, 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
- g. 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

The application and accompanying documentation, including the rEIAR and rNIS, may be inspected, or purchased The approximation and the second seco Commission of the application.

Note: Further to the commencement of Part 17, s495(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2024, any references in this application to An Bord Pleanála (ABP, "the Board") shall be construed as references to An Coimisiún Pleanála (ACP, "the Commission").

Galway City Council We wish to apply on behalf of Christopher Williams for Retention & Permission (area 9.68m?), 2. Internal modifications to existing floor plan (area 88.90m?), 3. Retention of partly constructed vehicular entrance and permission to complete whicular entrance with Retention of partly constructed vehicular entrance and permission to complete vehicular entrance with onsite parking and, 4. All associated site works at No. 36 Father Burks Road, Galway. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fe not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy at the offices of the Planning Authonty City Hall, College Road, Galway during office hours 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be authority on payment of a fee of 420.00, within the 5 weeks beginning on du such submissions or observations will be considered by the Planning Authority making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority making a decision on the application. The Planning Authority may grant permission. Subject to or without permission.

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

Galway County Council I, David Gilhooley, seek permission for development at Castlelambert, Athenry, Co. Galway, Works to consist of construction of a new weeling house, wastewater system, garage & all associated site services. This may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Office during its vublic poening hours. A during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of 420 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 existing self-contained apartment involving part demolition of existing apartment. The proposed two-bedroom apartment will be 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 observation 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 behall of Hans & Aedamar Hofmann for 1) removal of existing dilapidated garage/shed 2) construction of new domestic garage, and all associated site works and services. Gross floor area of proposed works: 35 sqm (existing garage).57 sqm (proposed garage): at Cregg, Oughteard, County Galway. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fe not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the Offices of the Planning Authority at the Planning Office, Galway County Council. County Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway during Office hours 9.00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday (Wednesday 10.00 am to 4.00pm A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority or he date of receito d, the payment of a fee of €20.00, 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 planning authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions or may refuse to grant

Conducts of may refuse to grant permission. 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:

- nabling 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:

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- 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. Decommissioning and removal of the Derrybrien Wind Farm grid connection and the Reinstatement
- of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110 kV Line: 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 b. Line (34 no. double wood pole structures and 8 no. masts); Removal of Agannygal substation and demolition of control building;
- c.
- Removal of standby generator (bunded) and diesel tank, external lighting poles, lightning mast; Removal of palisade fencing surrounding the Agannygal substation; and The reinstatement of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110kV Line.
- 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 works

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.

Note: Further to the commencement of Part 17, s495(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2024, any references in this application to An Bord Pleanála (ABP, "the Board") shall be construed as references to An Coimisiún Pleanála (ACP, "the Commission")

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL

Combando Gaillimhe Is main liom, C. O Domhnaill cead a iaraidh ar Chomhairle Contae na Gaillimhe chun teach cónaithe, garáiste 8. córas séaracháis a thógaí I mBarr a Doire, Co. na Gaillimhe Is féidir an Liarnatas seo a scrúdú nó cóip de a cheannach go Oftig I Peanála na Comhairle Contae i nth gnáth uaireanta oibre, go Téigir Luairm a nochtadh nó aighneacht a dháanamh taoin aighneacht a dháanamh taoin aighneacht a dháanamh taoin an Harnatas is chibhinn taobh sigigh de cúig seachtaní ón lá a shroicheana an h-tarratas a tao n tUdaras Phieanala, ach diale 20 a loca.

ach táille @20 a íoc. Signed: C. Ó Domhnaill

GALWAY COUNTY COUNTY Shane Hynes intends to apply for Permission to construct a four bay slatted cattle shed on his lands a Gorteen, Ballinasloe, Co. Galway The planning application may be inspected or purchased at the office Inspected or purchased at the office of the planning authority at the planning office, Galway County Gouncil, 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 450 within 5 weeks of receipt of application.

### GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission is being sought to retain temporary storage container & Veranda for use as calé with outdoor seating area and sigr at Cill Einne, Kilronan, Inis Aran Islands, Co. Galway for Aran Islands Knitwear & Gifts Ltd. The application may be inspected or purchased at the planning Hall, Prospect Hill, Galway during office hours 9,00am to 4.00pm Monday to Friday (Wednesday 10.00am to 4.00pm) A submission or observation in relation to application may be made in writing on payment of €20 within a 5 week period beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the

application. SIGNED: S. Hanniffy & Associates, Chartered Engineers, Cottage, 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 alte sewerage treatment system and all other site services. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the masconable cost of makino a purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its open hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on the payment of prescribed fee (420) within a period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the planning authority of the application at Curylaur, Curmmer, Tuam, Co Galway. Signed: Fergal Heverin

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCL Permission is being sough by Marcin Furmaniak & Sarah Feegan to construct a new dwelling house, domestic garage, new effluent treatment system including all associated site works at Ower, Rosscahill, Co. Galway. This application may be inspected or purchased at the planning office hours Monday to Friday. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of 420 GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL made in writing on payment of e20 within 5 weeks of receipt of the application by the planning authority. Signed: Marcin Furmaniak & Sarah

GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL GALWAY COUNTY COUNCIL Permission sought from Galway County Council by J.Hughes at Ballinderreen, Kilcolgan, Co.Galway. The development will consist of (1) Permission sought for Retention of single storey ext to rear of existing commerci and (2) All associated site rcial unit

and services. This may be inspected or purchased at the Planning Office 10 during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing on payment of @20 within 5 weeks of receipt of application. Signed: Archeco, Tom O'Toole,

CONNACHT TRIBUNE FRIDAY, JULY 4, 2025



**Attachment 4: Site Notice** 

## **SITE NOTICE**

# APPLICATION TO AN COIMISIÚN PLEANÁLA FOR PERMISSION FOR DEVELOPMENT OF LAND UNDER SECTION 37L OF THE ACT

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;
  - b. Vegetation clearance and minor levelling works at the existing hardstand areas and access tracks; and
  - 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;
  - b. Removal of the overhead line infrastructure along the Derrybrien-Agannygal 110 kV Overhead Line (34 no. double wood pole structures and 8 no. masts);
  - c. Removal of Agannygal substation and demolition of control building;
  - d. Removal of standby generator (bunded) and diesel tank, external lighting poles, lightning mast;
  - e. Removal of palisade fencing surrounding the Agannygal substation; and
  - f. The reinstatement of the Ennis-Shannonbridge 110kV Line.
- 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 works.

The application is accompanied by an Environmental Impact Assessment Report:

Yes 🗸 No

The application is accompanied by a Natura Impact Statement:

Yes 🗸 No

Submissions or observations may be made on the application, to An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1, www.pleanala.ie free of charge. Submissions or observations must be in writing and made within the period of 8 weeks beginning on the date of receipt of the application by An Coimisiún Pleanála and such submissions and observations will be considered by An Coimisiún Pleanála in making a decision on the application. An Coimisiún Pleanála may grant the consent subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant it.

The application for permission, including the EIAR and NIS, may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making 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).

Note: Further to the commencement of the provisions of Part 17, s495(3) of the Planning and Development Act 2024, any references in this application to An Bord Pleanála (ABP, "the Board") shall be construed as references to An Coimisiún Pleanála (ACP, "the Commission").

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