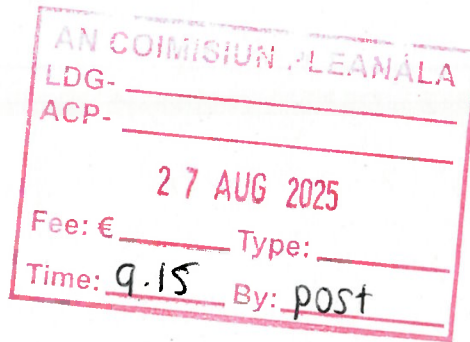


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Case reference:	QD05E.323037
Description	Substitute Consent pursuant to Section 177E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended for development consisting of processing of asphalt and concrete products and associated infrastructure. A remedial EIAR and remedial NIS was submitted with this application.
Case type	Quarry Application
Applicant	Patrick McCaffrey & Sons Ltd

Objection to QD05E.323037

Dear Sir/Madam,

I write as a long-standing neighbour from 1966 of the quarry at Ballymagroarty. I am Francis Patrick Greene and grew up on the farm immediately adjoining the quarry lands. Although I moved away for work, I return weekly to assist on the family farm and witness firsthand the ongoing impacts of this quarry operation.

I note from the application that the quarry has been ongoing for over eighty years. Extending its life by a further thirty years, and potentially much longer given the applicant's additional lands, would impose intolerable burdens on the rural community and environment.

I remember as a youth being brought inside whenever blasting would occur so as not to be hit with falling stone fragments, even though our house is 200 metres from the quarry. It was common after a blast to see who could find the stone that has fallen closest to our house. During a blast the house would tremble, the floor would vibrate and the shelves rattle in the oven before the bang.

The noise from the breaker was ever present and particularly noticeable was the dust. Sometimes it was difficult to know the colour of a car parked at our house. When walking through fields to check on animals clothing and footwear would turn white with quarry dust.

Over the years, I have noticed the access road to the quarry getting wider as its two boundary dry stone walls moved out under the volume and weight of quarry traffic.

No consideration was given to adjoining landowner. Quarry berms have been pushed against the dry-stone walls separating the lands and undermining the traditional field boundaries.

The thought of actively continuing for the foreseeable future is unthinkable. This a destructive intrusive industry that seems unhindered by rules or regulation. Enough is enough.

I would like An Coimisiún Pleanála to refuse this application for substitute consent.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "Frank Greene". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, stylized 'F' and 'G'.

Frank Greene
25.08.2025