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Planning observation by

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Planning Ref: PL04 307939

Applicant: Clearrath Wind Farm

Description: The project which is the subject of the application for substitute consent comprises a 9 turbine wind farm + associated works including the grid connection used to export electricity to the national grid and access works into the site to accommodate delivery of turbine components.

Location: Townlands of Keananree, Cloontycarthy, Clearrath North, Derrineanig, Clearrath South, Milmorane, Coombik, Rathgaskig, Auger's, Gorkenakilla, Carrignadowa, Gurteenowen, Gurteenflugh, Myreraageeha + Hackabaun Co. Cork.

Date of Application: 18th September 2020

Submission closing date: 17th September 2020

Planning Authority The Secretary
 An Bord Pleanála
 64 Marlborough St
 Dublin 1
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Dear Sir/Madam,

I wish to register the following observations on the planning application for the above proposed project.

Observations on the proposed project:

1. Construction work went ahead last year on this wind farm even though a Supreme Court case against the development was pending.
2. Planning permission for this development has been denied as the Supreme Court ruled that An Bord Pleanála has failed to consider evidence submitted to them on the impact of turbine noise on local residents.
3. Work has now ceased on Clearraigh windfarm and the landscape is now dominated by a redundant turbine.

4. The wind farm towers over Inchiogada + Lough Allua, completely distorting the landscape and affecting the views.
5. All turbines and construction works on the site are in the catchment of the River Lee and are a threat to Lough Allua proposed Natural Heritage Area and the Geograph Special Area of Conservation.
6. The impact on local residents particularly in relation to turbine noise has not been assessed or taken into account.

In view of the observations above, I request that An Bord Pleanála refuse permission for this application for ~~subordinate~~ consent.

Yours sincerely

Deirdre Murphy + Allie O'Brien



