

## **European Communities (Public Participation) Regulations 2010**

**In accordance with Section 10 of the European Communities (Public Participation) Regulations 2010, this Planning Authority wishes to advise as follows:**

- Planning Ref:** PL2/19/606
- Applicants:** CLONCANT RENEWABLE ENERGY LIMITED
- Development:** A 10-YEAR PLANNING PERMISSION WITH A 30-YEAR OPERATIONAL LIFE FOR DEVELOPMENT ON A SITE AREA OF 60.674 HECTARES. THE DEVELOPMENT WILL CONSIST OF UP TO 8 (EIGHT) WIND TURBINES WITH A TIP HEIGHT OF UP TO 187 METRES, AND ALL ASSOCIATED FOUNDATIONS AND HARDSTANDING AREAS; APPROXIMATELY 4,750 METRES OF NEW INTERNAL ACCESS ROADS, ASSOCIATED DRAINAGE AND TURNING AREAS; UPGRADE OF APPROXIMATELY 3,500 METRES OF THE EXISTING L50062 PUBLIC ROAD INCLUDING UPGRADE OF THE EXISTING BRIDGE; A NEW BRIDGE CROSSING OF THE FIGILE RIVER TO PROVIDE ACCESS BETWEEN TURBINE 3 AND TURBINE 4; A 2,950-METRE RECREATION TRAIL AND ALL ASSOCIATED DEVELOPMENT TO INCLUDE GRAVEL PATHWAYS, A FOOTBRIDGE ACROSS THE FIGILE RIVER, A PARKING AREA, SIGNAGE, INFORMATION BOARDS AND OUTDOOR FITNESS EQUIPMENT; AN OFF-SITE ELECTRICAL SUBSTATION AND A BATTERY ENERGY STORAGE FACILITY; ALL ASSOCIATED UNDERGROUND ELECTRICAL AND COMMUNICATIONS CABLING TO CONNECT THE TURBINES TO THE SUBSTATION INCLUDING APPROXIMATELY 1,550M ALONG THE R401 REGIONAL ROAD; A SPOIL STORAGE AREA; A PERMANENT METEOROLOGICAL MAST UP TO 110.5 METRES HIGH; 2 NO. TEMPORARY CONSTRUCTION COMPOUNDS; 2 NO. TEMPORARY BLADE ADAPTER SET-DOWN AREAS WITHIN THE WIND FARM SITE AND AT THE JUNCTION OF THE R402 AND R401 AT RATHMORE, EDENDERRY, CO. OFFALY; TURBINE DELIVERY ROUTE WORKS INCLUDING WIDENING OF THE JUNCTION OF THE R420 AND R402 AT BALLINA, GEASHILL, CO. OFFALY AND ALL ASSOCIATED SITE DEVELOPMENT WORKS. THE OVERALL DEVELOPMENT IS FOR A NINE (9) TURBINE WIND FARM, WITH A SEPARATE PLANNING APPLICATION BEING SUBMITTED TO KILDARE COUNTY COUNCIL FOR ONE (1) TURBINE LOCATED IN THE TOWNLAND OF TICKNEVIN, CARBURY, CO. KILDARE. AN ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT REPORT (EIAR) AND A NATURA IMPACT STATEMENT (NIS) HAS BEEN PREPARED IN RESPECT OF THE APPLICATION
- Location of Development:** BALLYKILLEEN, SHEAN, KILCUMBER, CLONCANT & CUSHALING, EDENDERRY, CO OFFALY

Offaly County Council made a decision to refuse planning permission for the above development on 21<sup>st</sup> February 2020.

The applicant and any person who made submissions or observations in writing to the Planning Authority in relation to the planning application in accordance with section 37(1) of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 -2013 may appeal such a decision to An Bord Pleanala.

A person may question the validity of any decision of the planning authority by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986), in accordance with section 50 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 as amended.

A person may question the validity of any decision on an appeal by An Bord Pleanala by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986), in accordance with section 50 of the Planning & Development Act, 2000 as amended.

Information in relation to making of an appeal may be obtained from An Bord Pleanala's website at [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie). Also refer to Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended by Sections 32 and 33 of the Planning and Development Act 2010, in relation to judicial review. Information is also available from the Citizen's Information Centre web-site at [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie)