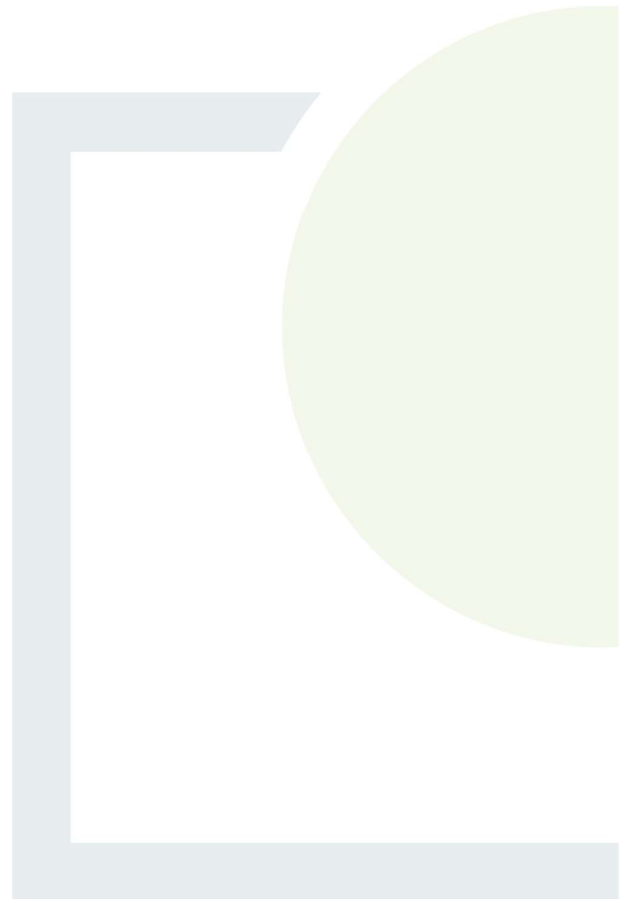




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APPENDIX 5.1

Scoping Responses



Marie Geary

From: Sharon Casey <Sharon.Casey@CorkCoCo.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 15:50
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: Thomas Watt; Greg Simpson; David Ryan
Subject: Ballinagree Proposed Windfarm Scoping

Thank you for your email. I have fed back on this previously. Please see attached.

Regards

Sharon

My comments per previous emails were as follows:

I have reviewed the proposal and have the following comments. These comments are made without prejudice and are based on a review of publicly available information. I do not have access to any site specific ecological data.

Key ecological sensitivities identified in respect of this proposal include

- *sites designated for nature conservation and their associated habitats and species;*
- *protected species; and*
- *habitats of high nature conservation value.*

Based on the mapping presented, it is clear that the site boundary overlaps with the boundary of the Boggeragh Mountains Natural Heritage Area and lies immediately adjacent to the Boggeraghs to Musheramore Mountains Special Protection Area. Indeed, it is noted that the boundary of the proposed windfarm extends into the 500m buffer to the SPA, which is indicated on the CDP Wind Energy Strategy to be an area not suitable for wind energy development. The development is also located within two sensitive catchments, being the catchment of the Blackwater River Special Area of Conservation and the catchment of the Sullane River.

Aerial imagery indicates that the site supports natural and semi-natural habitats.

My first recommendation is to amend the proposed boundaries of the development site to not encroach into the Boggeragh Mountains Natural Heritage Area or into the area which is indicated in the CDP Wind Energy Strategy to be not suitable for wind energy development

Ecological Survey and Assessment

Without completing detailed AA screening, it is clear that this proposal is likely to trigger a requirement for AA, and it is therefore advised that the applicants would commence the necessary survey and assessment work to compile a Natura Impact Statement in respect of this project. It will also be necessary to prepare an EIAR in respect of a wind energy development of this scale. The AA report and biodiversity chapter of the EIAR should be prepared by competent experienced ecologists. Given the nature of the landscape it is likely that ornithological, freshwater and upland habitats expertise will be required to complete necessary surveys and compile the required reports.

Without direct knowledge of the site, key issues likely to be required to focus on will be

- *potential for the project to give rise to impacts on the population of Hen Harrier which is associated with the adjoining SPA, and possibly other avian species including Merlin, Golden Plover, Red Grouse, Snipe and possibly Curlew – and there may be others. It is advised that the ecologists working to prepare the planning application documents would contact expert organisations including the NPWS, the Irish Raptor Study Group and BirdWatch Ireland and to review all available literature to identify the target species which will need to be surveyed. Surveying protocols will need to be established, and these should be designed to accord with latest guidance from the NPWS and Scottish Natural Heritage. Applicants should note that a minimum of two full years of survey for key sensitive species will be required in such a sensitive location. The information gathered during the survey stage should be used to inform design to ensure that areas around known breeding sites and key foraging areas for sensitive bird species are avoided.*
- *Potential for the project to give rise to negative effects on freshwater habitats. To this end, there should be a focus at design stage on providing for an appropriately designed surface water management system which minimises risk of release of contaminants to surface waters and ensures that there is no increase in surface water run-off from the site. Avoidance of disturbance of peat based habitats will greatly assist with this.*
- *It is generally recommended that development on peat habitats is avoided. In particular, the site should be designed to avoid direct intervention within intact peat habitats and on other habitats of high natural value.*
- *The applicants ecologists should be in a position based on desk top studies and preliminary investigations to identify any other ecological issues which would require to be addressed.*

The Biodiversity chapter of the EIAR should be prepared to accord with CIEEM Guidelines and the NIS should be prepared taking account of National and EU Guidelines as well as recent case law. The applicants are free to contact me to discuss any of this,

Regards

Sharon

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [<mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>]

Sent: 02 July 2020 14:47

To: Sharon Casey

Subject: Scoping Report

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Dear Sharon

Coillte Renewable Energy in partnership with Brookfield Renewables Ireland intend to apply for planning permission for a renewable energy development referred to as the Ballinagree Wind Farm, located in North West County Cork, near the town of Ballinagree.

Please find attached cover letter and Scoping Report which is being issued to you as part of the consultation process for the Environmental Impact Assessment report. As part of the consultation process, we would be interested in receiving any comments you may have on the proposed development relevant to your area of expertise, before 3rd of August 2020.

If you have no comment to make, I would be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email. If you have any queries regarding the project, please contact us at the above email address.

Kind Regards

Ciara Finn
For and on behalf of



Eamon Hutton
Project Planner

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Marie Geary

From: euplanningregulation <euplanningregulation@housing.gov.ie>
Sent: Monday 6 July 2020 10:38
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping & Consultation Request

To whom it may concern,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your recent correspondence concerning your request for comments in relation to the consultation process of the proposed Ballinagree wind farm development in Co. Cork.

I wish to advise that under Section 30 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, the Minister for Housing, Planning and Local Government, and by extension this Department, is specifically precluded from exercising any power or control in relation to any particular case with which a planning authority or An Bord Pleanála is or may be concerned.

Kind regards
Morgan

Morgan O Reilly
EU and International Planning Regulation, Planning Division

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Your Ref: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Our Ref: **G Pre00114/2020**
(Please quote in all related correspondence)

31 August 2020

Ciara Finn
Core House,
Pouladuff Road,
Cork
Via email

Re: Renewable Energy Development at Ballinagree Wind Farm, located in North West County Cork, near the town of Ballinagree.

A chara

On behalf of the Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht, I refer to correspondence received in connection with the above.

Outlined below are heritage-related observations/recommendations of the Department under the stated heading(s).

Nature Conservation

Thank you for your consultation of 1 July 2020 concerning Ballinagree proposed wind-farm, the site boundary for which is (a) near to Mullaghanish to Musheramore Special Protection Area (SPA) (site code 4162), to the west, and (b) partly within the catchment of the Blackwater River (Cork/Waterford) candidate Special Area of Conservation (cSAC) (2170). Conservation objectives for these sites are available at https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/protected-sites/conservation_objectives/CO002170.pdf, and https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/protected-sites/conservation_objectives/CO004162.pdf, respectively. The Department would like to thank you for including a scale bar on the map in the scoping report accompanying the consultation letter.

The above SPA has been designated to conserve the hen harrier. At the outset, it would be useful to establish if the similar and nearby Boggeragh wind-farm development has resulted in any loss or relocation of a hen harrier breeding site and/or hunting habitat. Prior to construction of the Boggeragh wind-farm, records show that a pair had regularly bred in the Mossy Beds area. This data would be particularly valuable in assessing the impact of the current wind-farm proposal.



There are historical records of breeding hen harriers in the area of the wind-farm (i.e. within 2km of a proposed turbine). A detailed description of the suitability of the habitat for hunting harriers at the following locations is recommended: T2, T12, and T16. The need for any compensatory habitat will require careful assessment.

The above cSAC has been designated to protect a number of species and habitats, some of the most important being salmon, lamprey species and otter in the Glen River, and these plus freshwater pearl mussel in the main channel of the Munster Blackwater River. The latter has particularly high water quality and habitat quality requirements. It needs to be established at the outset if the infrastructure for the wind farm can ensure avoidance of any geotechnical risks (soil slippage), siltation or increase in contribution to hydrographic peaks in the downstream river.

In addition, other protected species may occur within the wind-farm site, cable route, or in watercourses draining them, or on access routes to and from the site. These include, but are not limited to: merlin, peregrine falcon, bat species, otter and possibly Kerry slug. Particular attention should be paid to ensuring that best-practice methods and an experienced observer is used in relation to survey for merlin, a species listed in Annex I of the EU Birds Directive (Council Directive 2009/147/EC).

You are requested to send further communications to this Department's Development Applications Unit (DAU) at manager.dau@chg.gov.ie (team monitored); if this is not possible, correspondence may alternatively be sent to:

The Manager
Development Applications Unit (DAU)
Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Newtown Road
Wexford
Y35 AP90

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Connor Rooney
Development Applications Unit



Your Ref: P2114/Lett/EH/MG
Our Ref: G Pre00114/2020
(Please quote in all related correspondence)

19 April 2021

Mr Eamon Hutton
Fehily Timoney and Company
Core House
Pouladuff Road
Cork

Via email: ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie

Re: Proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm, consisting of up to 21 no wind turbines at Design Iteration 2 Phase and associated works near Ballinagree, County Cork

A chara

I refer to correspondence dated 23rd December 2020 received in connection with the above. Outlined below are Nature Conservation observations/recommendations co-ordinated by the Development Applications Unit.

Nature Conservation

Thank you for your further consultation letter of 23rd December 2020 concerning the revised design (2) of Ballinagree proposed wind farm, and explanation of the proposed development to regional staff of the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS) of the Department at an on-line meeting on 28th January 2021.

Further to the Department's response (of 31 August 2020) to your initial scoping consultation letter, the following points are raised by the NPWS, and should be read in addition to those in that letter. These points are raised without prejudice to any observation, recommendation, decision or action which may be made or taken by the Minister in relation to a planning application for the proposed development.

- In addition to European sites mentioned in the Department's letter of 31st August 2020, species of conservation importance potentially affected by the proposed development include hen harrier, freshwater pearl mussel, Leisler's bat, barn owl, curlew and marsh fritillary.
- In addition to the European sites mentioned in the Department's letter of 31st August 2020, the proposed development is also adjacent to the Boggeragh Mountains Natural Heritage Area (NHA) (Site Code 002447), designated under the Natural

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Heritage Area (Boggeragh Mountains NHA 002447) Order 2005 (S.I. No. 445 of 2005) for the habitat type upland blanket bog, with heath and golden plover also present (see site synopsis at <https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/protected-sites/synopsis/SY002447.pdf>).

- It is also important, for the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR), to take into account the impact of carbon emissions from peat excavation as part of construction (see below).

Munster Blackwater Candidate Special Area of Conservation (cSAC) (Site Code 002170)

- The combination of clean water diversion, lined multicelled stone-constructed sediment ponds which can be cleaned by suction rather than excavated, an environmental management plan, alarmed autosamplers, and previous best-practice upland construction experience indicates that a sediment control system can control sediment release such that it will not have an adverse effect on the freshwater pearl mussel population downstream in the Blackwater River cSAC. However, on-site surveillance, downstream monitoring and regular reporting will be required to ensure that this system works in practice.

Hen harrier

- Statements that the areas surrounding the proposed locations of turbines T2, T12 and T16 represent low value hunting habitat due to heavy sheep grazing will need to be backed up by evidence, both observational (of use) and descriptive and photographic (of the site), as well as based on up-to-date scientific literature. If net habitat gain is being proposed (or where there is loss of habitat due to disturbance displacement¹), the option of reduction in sheep densities in certain areas to improve habitat (cf. Amar *et al.*, 2010²), if acceptable and feasible, should be examined.
- There is a requirement under Article 4(4) of the EU Birds Directive for Member States to strive to avoid deterioration of habitats of Annex I species (such as hen harrier and golden plover) outside protected areas, and the Department will draw this to the attention of An Bord Pleanála.

Boggeragh Mountains NHA (Site Code 002447)

- It is important that the existing road upgrade near T14, and new road to T21 (and any associated drainage or side-casting of spoil), is fully assessed with regard to hydrological or other effects on the NHA.
- The use by golden plover of these bogs, and the potential effects of any disturbance displacement on their use of the NHA, needs to be fully understood for the EIAR.

¹ Currently considered to apply to suitable habitat with a 250m radius of an operational turbine.

² Amar, A., Davies, J., Meek, E., Williams, J., Knight, A. and Redpath, S. (2010) Long-term impact of changes in sheep *Ovis aries* densities on the breeding output of the hen harrier *Circus cyaneus*. *Journal of Applied Ecology* **48**: 220-227.



EIAR: Monitoring

- A regular monitoring of water quality (sediment levels in particular), during construction and decommissioning stages, in the streams flowing from the wind farm which form part of the Munster Blackwater catchment is recommended, and the details of this outlined in the EIAR.
- The Department welcomes the level of data being collected on bat species, and recommends that operational stage fatality monitoring using trained dogs should be included in the schedule of commitments arising from the EIAR.

Biodiversity: EIA – Impact of peat extraction & CO₂ emissions

- It is now well established that climate change is likely to have a considerable impact on biodiversity and wildlife, due to droughts, floods, sea level rise, changes in seasonal weather, etc. The proposed development site includes areas of drained peatland (originally blanket bog with peat over 2m likely in places³), and the extent of peat excavation and drainage maintenance needs to be assessed. The impact of carbon dioxide (CO₂) emissions during construction and over the life-time of the wind farm needs to be taken into account in the assessment of cumulative effects (see also page 58 and Appendix 4 of the draft wind energy guidelines (December 2019)).

The above observations/recommendations are based on the papers submitted to this Department on a pre-planning basis and are made without prejudice to any observations that the Minister may make in the context of any consultation arising on foot of any development application referred to the Minister, by the planning authority/ies, in their role as statutory consultee under the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

You are requested to send any further communications to the Development Applications Unit (DAU) at manager.dau@housing.gov.ie, or to the following address:

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³ See site synopsis for adjacent Boggeragh Mountains NHA.

20th August 2020

**Eamonn Hutton,
Fehily Timoney & Co.,
Core House,
Pouladuff Road,
Co. Cork.
T12 D773**

**Re: E.I.A.R. Scoping Request for the proposed Wind Farm Development at Ballinagree,
Co. Cork.**

Dear Mr Hutton,

The following are the comments from this Division in relation to the proposed development:

If the proposed development will involve the felling or removal of any trees, the developer must obtain a Felling License from this Department before trees are felled or removed. A Felling Licence application form can be obtained from **Felling Section, Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine, Johnstown Castle Estate, Co. Wexford**. Tel: 076-1064459, Web <https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/forests-service/tree-felling/tree-felling/>

A Felling Licence granted by the Minister for Agriculture, Food and the Marine provides authority under the Forestry Act 2014 to fell or otherwise remove a tree or trees and/or to thin a forest for silvicultural reasons. The Act prescribes the functions of the Minister and details the requirements, rights and obligations in relation to felling licences. The principal set of regulations giving further effect to the Forestry Act 2014 are the Forestry Regulations 2017 (S.I. No. 191 of 2017).

The developer should take note of the contents of **Felling and Reforestation Policy** document which provide a consolidated source of information on the legal and regulatory framework relating to tree felling; <https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/media/migration/forestry/tree-felling/FellingReforestationPolicy240517.pdf>. As this development is within a forest lands, particular attention should be paid to deforestation, turbulence felling and the requirement to afforest alternative lands.

In order to ensure regulated forestry operations in Ireland accord with the principles of sustainable forest management (SFM), as well fulfilling the requirements of other relevant environmental protection laws, the Department (acting through its Forest Service division) must undertake particular consultations, and give certain matters full consideration during the assessment of individual Felling Licence applications. This includes consultation with relevant bodies, the application of various protocols and procedures (e.g. Forest Service Appropriate Assessment Procedure), and the requirement for applicants on occasion to provide further information (e.g. a Natura Impact Statement).

Consequently, when the Forest Service is considering an application to fell trees, the following applies:

1. The interaction of these proposed works with the environment locally and more widely, in addition to potential direct and indirect impacts on designated sites and water, is assessed. Consultation with relevant environmental and planning authorities may be required where specific sensitivities arise (e.g. local authorities, National Parks & Wildlife Service, Inland Fisheries Ireland, and the National Monuments Service);
2. Where a tree Felling Licence application is received, the Department will publish a notice of the application before making a decision on the matter. The notice shall state that any person may make a submission to the Department within 30 days from the date of the notice. The notices for 2020 are published online at:
<https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/forests-service/publicconsultation/environmentalimpactassessment-eia-publicconsultation-for-afforestation-forest-road-construction-and-felling-licences-2020/>
3. Third parties that make a submission or observation will be informed of the decision to grant or refuse the licence, and on request, details of the conditions attached to the licence, the main reasons and considerations on which the decision to grant or refuse the licence was based, and where conditions are attached to any licence, the reasons for the conditions. Both third parties and applicants will be also informed of their right to appeal any decision within 28 days to the Forestry Appeals Committee. Felling Licence decisions for 2020 are published online at:
<https://www.agriculture.gov.ie/forests-service/publicconsultation/environmentalimpactassessment-2020-register-of-decisions/>

It is important to note that when applying to a **Local Authority, or An Bord Pleanála**, for planning permission where developments are:

- a) subject to an EIA procedure (including screening in the case of a sub-threshold development) and any resulting requirement to produce an EIAR; and/or
- b) subject to an Appropriate Assessment procedure (including screening) and any resulting requirement to a Natura Impact Statement (NIS); and
- c) the proposed development in its construction or operational phases, or any works ancillary thereto, would directly or indirectly involve the felling and replanting of trees, deforestation for the purposes of conversion to another type of land use, or replacement of broadleaf high forest by conifer species,

1. that there is a requirement inter alia under the EIA Directive for an overall assessment of the effects of the project or the alteration thereof on the environment to be undertaken, including the direct and indirect environmental impact of the project;

and

2. pursuant to Article 2(3) of the EIA Directive, the Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine strongly recommends that, notwithstanding the fact that a parallel consent in the form of felling licence may also have to be applied for, any EIAR and/or NIS produced in connection with the application for planning permission to the Local Planning Authority or An Bord Pleanála, should include an assessment of the impact of and measures, as appropriate, to prevent, mitigate or compensate for any significant adverse effects, direct or indirect, identified on the environment arising from such felling and replanting of trees, deforestation for the purposes of conversion to another type of land use, or replacement of broadleaf high forest by conifer species.

Yours sincerely,

Joe O'Donnell
Felling Section
Department of Agriculture, Food and the Marine
Johnstown Castle
Co Wexford

Marie Geary

From: Minister Bruton <Minister.Bruton@DCCAE.gov.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:14
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Auto-Reply

Thank you for your e-mail to Minister Richard Bruton, T.D., the contents of which will be brought to the Minister's attention.

Go raibh maith agat as do ríomhphost chuig an Aire Richard Bruton, T.D., cuirfear a bhfuil ann in iúl don Aire.

Yours sincerely

Minister Bruton's Office

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Marie Geary

From: Dept of Transport Tourism and Sport <info@dttas.gov.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:21
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Subject: Automatic reply: Scoping Report

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Department of Transport, Tourism and Sport

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Seirbhísí Custaiméirí
An Roinn Iompair, Turasóireachta agus Spóirt

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Iascach Intíre Éireann
Inland Fisheries Ireland

Mr Eamon Hutton
Fehily Timoney Consultants
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16 July 2020

RE: Ballinagree Windfarm- Scoping Report Consultation

Dear Eamon

Thank you for your recent email in relation to the above-mentioned.

The site of the proposed development encompasses the head waters of the Blackwater and Laney Rivers, both significant salmonid fisheries. In this context IFI would ask that the following requirements should be taken into consideration.

There should be no drainage or other physical interference with the bed or bank of any watercourse without prior consultation with IFI.

Suspended solids and or hydrocarbon contaminated site run-off waters must be controlled adequately so that no pollution of surface waters can occur. More specifically IFI feels the following issues should be addressed

- i. Identifying and zoning the project for environmental impact should a peat slip occur
- ii. Setting out contingency plan should a peat movement occur.
- iii. Setting out a plan for the control of silt in such a scenario, including measures to be put in place at the initial stages of construction.

In the event of any watercourse crossings being bridged or culverted the following general criteria should apply,

- (i) The free passage of fish must not be obstructed.

(ii) The original slope of the river bed should be maintained with no sudden drops on the downstream side. Design details on any proposed crossing should be incorporated at planning stage

(iii) Bridges are preferable to culverts.

(v) All instream works should be carried out only in the May-September period.

Yours sincerely,

Michael Mc Partland.
Environmental Officer.

From: [INFO](#)
To: [Ballinagree Wind Farm](#)
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm – Environmental Impact Assessment Consultation. TII Ref: TII20-109939
Date: Wednesday 22 July 2020 11:49:40

Dear Ms. Finn,

Thank you for your email of 2 July 2020 regarding consultation for the Environmental Impact Assessment Report for the Ballinagree Wind Farm. The position in relation to your enquiry is as follows.

Transport Infrastructure Ireland (TII) wishes to advise that it is not in a position to engage directly with planning applicants in respect to proposed developments. TII will endeavour to consider and respond to planning applications referred to it given its status and duties as a statutory consultee under the Planning Acts. The approach to be adopted by TII in making such submissions or comments will seek to uphold official policy and guidelines as outlined in the Section 28 Ministerial Guidelines: ‘Spatial Planning and National Roads Guidelines for Planning Authorities’ (DoECLG, 2012). Regard should also be had to other relevant guidance available at www.TII.ie.

The issuing of this correspondence is provided as best practice guidance only and does not prejudice TII’s statutory right to make any observations, requests for further information, objections or appeals following the examination of any valid planning application referred.

With respect to EIAR scoping issues, the recommendations indicated below provide only general guidance for the preparation of an EIAR, which may affect the National Roads Network.

The developer/scheme promoter should have regard, *inter alia*, to the following:

- Consultations should be had with the relevant Local Authority/National Roads Design Office with regard to locations of existing and future national road schemes, in the vicinity of the subject development site.
- TII would be specifically concerned as to potential significant impacts the development would have on the existing national road network (and junctions with national roads) in the proximity of the proposed development.
- The developer should assess visual impacts from existing national roads.
- The developer should have regard to any Environmental Impact Statement and all conditions and/or modifications imposed by An Bord Pleanála, regarding road schemes in the areas concerned. The developer should in particular have regard to any potential cumulative impacts.
- The developer, in preparing EIAR, should have regard to TII Publications (formerly DMRB and the Manual of Contract Documents for Road Works).
- The developer, in preparing EIAR, should have regard to TII’s Environmental Assessment and Construction Guidelines, including the ‘Guidelines for the Treatment of Air Quality During the Planning and Construction of National Road Schemes’, (National Roads Authority, 2006).
- The EIAR should consider the Environmental Noise Regulations 2006 (SI 140 of 2006) and, in particular, how the development will affect future action plans by the relevant competent authority. The developer may need to consider the incorporation of noise barriers to reduce noise impacts (see Guidelines for the Treatment of Noise and Vibration

in National Road Schemes, (1st Rev., National Roads Authority, 2004)).

- It would be important that, where appropriate, subject to meeting the appropriate thresholds and criteria and having regard to best practice, a Traffic and Transport Assessment be carried out in accordance with relevant guidelines, noting traffic volumes attending the site and traffic routes to/from the site, with reference to impacts on the national road network and junctions of lower category roads with national roads. The Authority's Traffic and Transport Assessment Guidelines (2014) should be referred to in relation to proposed development, with potential impacts on the national road network. The scheme promoter is also advised to have regard to Section 2.2 of the NRA/TII TTA Guidelines, which addresses requirements for sub-threshold TTA.
- The designers are asked to consult TII Publications to determine whether a Road Safety Audit is required.
- In the interests of maintaining the safety and standard of the national road network, the EIAR should identify the methods/techniques proposed for any works traversing/in proximity to the national road network.
- In relation to haul route identification, the applicant/developer should clearly identify haul routes proposed and fully assess the network to be traversed. Separate structure approvals/permits and other licences may be required in connection with the proposed haul route, including where temporary modification to the road network may be required. Consultation with relevant PPP Companies and MMaRC Contractors may also be required. All structures on the haul route should be checked by the applicant/developer, to confirm their capacity to accommodate any abnormal load proposed.
- Where the windfarm scheme includes grid connection proposals, the scheme promoter should note the locations of existing and future national road schemes and develop proposals, so as to safeguard the proposed road schemes. In the context of existing national roads, alternatives to the provision of cabling along the national road network, such as alternative routing or the laying of cabling in private lands adjoining the national road, should be considered in the interests of safeguarding the investment in and the potential for, future upgrade works to the national road network. The cable routing should avoid all impacts to existing TII infrastructure, such as traffic counters, weather stations, etc. and works required to such infrastructure shall only be undertaken in consultation with and subject to the agreement of TII. Any costs attributable shall be borne by the applicant/developer. The developer should also be aware that separate approvals may be required for works traversing the national road network and/or motorway network, where applicable.

Notwithstanding, any of the above, the developer should be aware that this list is non-exhaustive, thus site and development specific issues should be addressed in accordance with best practise.

I trust that the above comments are of assistance in your EIAR preparation.

Yours sincerely,

Andrew Moore

Regulatory and Administration Executive



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Marie Geary

From: Wexford Receptionist <REC_WEX@epa.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 14:36
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Re: Scoping Report

A Chara,

Your correspondence on July 3rd has been forwarded for attention.

Kind regards,

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Duty Receptionist/Programme Officer

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Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 15:05

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Subject: Scoping Report

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Kind Regards

Ciara Finn

For and on behalf of



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Dear Eamon

I refer to the request for planning permission for the above development, details of which were received by the Irish Aviation Authority from the Council.

It is the observations of the Irish Aviation Authority Aerodromes Department that The applicant should be required to engage with Rathcoole Aerodrome and Kerry Airport to undertake a preliminary screening assessment to confirm that the proposed wind farm and the associated cranes that would be utilised during its construction would have no impact on flight operations at either Rathcoole Aerodrome or Kerry Airport.

In the event of planning consent being granted, the applicant should be conditioned to contact the Irish Aviation Authority to:

- (1) agree an aeronautical obstacle warning light scheme for the wind farm development,
- (2) provide as-constructed coordinates in WGS84 format together with ground and tip height elevations at each wind turbine location

<i>Turbine No.</i>	<i>WGS-84 Co-ordinates</i>	<i>Ground elevation (Malin Head OD)</i>	<i>Blade tip elevation of turbine (Malin Head OD)</i>	<i>Height of turbine (height from ground level to blade tip)</i>	<i>Confirm if turbine has obstacle lighting.</i>
T1	53.346125, -6.258288	75m	225m	150m	No

- (3) notify the Authority of intention to commence crane operations with at least 30 days prior notification of their erection

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Yours sincerely

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It is the observations of the Irish Aviation Authority **Engineering** Department that as the proposed development may obstruct ILS Flight Calibration Profiles flown when commissioning and calibrating Cork ILS 16, we require the planning applicant to have an assessment completed by our flight calibration provider FCSL.

This assessment should seek to ensure that the proposed development will not have an adverse impact on FCSL's ability to complete flight calibration checks at Cork Airport, including commissioning flight calibration checks, in all weathers.

Contact details for FCSL are attached.

Copies of FCSL's assessment report should be emailed to the following IAA Engineers upon completion ;

Fergal.Doyle@iaa.ie

TCD CRK@iaa.ie

Brendan.O'Connor@iaa.ie

Yours sincerely

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Marie Geary

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Subject: FW: Ballinagree Wind Farm

From: Ita Daly <ita_daly@hsa.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 22 July 2020 12:33
To: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm

Dear Eamon,

Thank you for your email.

The Health and Safety Authority (the Authority), acting as the Central Competent Authority under the Chemicals Act (Control of Major Accident Hazards Involving Dangerous Substances) Regulations 2015 (S.I. 209 of 2015) gives technical advice to the Planning Authority when requested, under regulation 24(2) in relation to:

- (a) the siting and development of new establishments;
- (b) modifications to establishments of the type described in Regulation 12(1);
- (c) new developments including transport routes, locations of public use and residential areas in the vicinity of establishments, where the siting, modifications or developments may be the source of, or increase the risk or consequences of, a major accident.

Since the proposal referenced in your email below appears to be outside the scope of the Regulations, the Authority has no observations to forward.

If you have any queries please contact the undersigned.

Yours sincerely,

Ita Daly
Inspector, COMAH Chemical Production and Storage.

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From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 14 July 2020 09:46
To: WCU <wcu@hsa.ie>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm

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If you have no comment to make, I would be grateful if you could acknowledge receipt of this email. If you have any queries regarding the project, please contact us at the above email address.

Kind Regards,
Eamon Hutton



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3 July 2020

Re: EIAR Scoping Request – Proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report – Scoping & Consultation

Dear Mr Hutton,

Irish Water (IW) acknowledges receipt of your request in respect of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) scoping for the Proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm, located in North West County Cork, near the town of Ballinagree and includes lands contained within the following townlands: Annagannihy, Ballynagree East, Ballynagree West, Carrigagulla and Knocknagappul.

Please see attached our suggested scope in relation to Water Services. On receipt of the planning referral, Irish Water will review the EIAR as part of the planning process.

Queries relating to the terms and observations above should be directed to planning@water.ie

Yours sincerely,

Signed on behalf of Irish Water:

Maria O'Dwyer
Connections and Development Services

Response to EIAR Scoping Report Requests

IW currently does not have the capacity to advise on scoping of individual projects. However, in general we would like the following aspects of Water Services to be considered in the scope of an EIAR where relevant;

- a) Impacts of the development on the capacity of water services (do existing water services have the capacity to cater for the new development if required). This is confirmed by IW in the form of a Confirmation of Feasibility (COF). If a development will require a connection to either a public water supply or sewage collection system the developer is advised to submit a Pre Connection Enquiry (PCE) enquiry to IW to determine the feasibility of connection to the Irish Water network. All pre-connection enquiry forms are available from <https://www.water.ie/connections/get-connected/>
- b) Any up-grading of water services infrastructure that would be required to accommodate the development.
- c) In relation to a development that would discharge trade effluent – any upstream treatment or attenuation of discharges required prior to discharging to an IW collection network
- d) In relation to the management of surface water; the potential impact of surface water discharges to combined sewer networks & potential measures to minimise/stop surface waters from combined sewers
- e) Any physical impact on IW assets – reservoir, drinking water source, treatment works, pipes, pumping stations, discharges outfalls etc. including any relocation of assets.
- f) If you are considering a development proposal, it is best practice to contact us in advance of designing your proposal to determine the location of public water services assets. Details, where known, can be obtained by emailing an Ordinance Survey map identifying the proposed location of your intended development to datarequests@water.ie. Other indicators or methodologies for identifying infrastructure located within your lands are the presence of registered wayleave agreements, visible manholes, vent stacks, valve chambers, marker posts etc. within the proposed site.
- g) Any potential impacts on the assimilative capacity of receiving waters in relation to IW discharge outfalls including changes in dispersion /circulation characterises
- h) Any potential impact on the contributing catchment of water sources either in terms of water abstraction for the development (and resultant potential impact on the capacity of the source) or the potential of the development to influence/ present a risk to the quality of the water abstracted by IW for public supply.
- i) Where a development proposes to connect to an IW network and that network either abstracts water from or discharges waste water to a “protected”/sensitive area, consideration as to whether the integrity of the site/conservation objectives of the site would be compromised.
- j) Mitigation measures in relation to any of the above

This is not an exhaustive list.

Please note

- The Confirmation of Feasibility from IW, to the applicant, should be issued prior to applying for planning permission.

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- Irish Water will not accept new surface water discharges to combined sewer networks
- Where an Irish Water asset is altered or diverted, a Diversion Agreement is required. To commence this process, the applicant is requested to submit a Diversion enquiry once a preferred route has been selected. Details on this process can be found at <https://www.water.ie/connections/developer-services/diversions/>. Any design proposal to divert an Irish Water asset must be completed in accordance with IW Standard Details and Codes of Practice which are available on the Irish Water website.
- All necessary measures to protect and maintain access to Irish Water infrastructure and water sources shall be undertaken and incorporated into any proposals for road design. Irish Water request continued engagement through the route selection, design and construction stages in order to ensure public water services and sources are protected and access is maintained

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Marie Geary

From: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 8 July 2020 10:06
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

Hi Ciara

On behalf of ABP I acknowledge receipt of your email.

The contents of which are noted.

Shaun

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [<mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>]
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 14:07
To: SIDS <sids@pleanala.ie>
Subject: Scoping Report

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[P2114 Ltr Scoping Cover Letter Minister for Defence.pdf](#)
[P2114 Scoping Report.pdf](#)

Hello Eamon

I wish to acknowledge receipt of documents below and attached. I have forwarded to relevant officers will reply in due course with observations.

*Kind Regards,
Raymond*

Raymond Myles
Property Management Branch

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Marie Geary

From: CRU Licensing <licensing@cru.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 11:06
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm; Info CRU
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

Dear Ms. Finn,

The Commission for Regulation of Utilities (CRU) acknowledges receipt of your email below.

Kind regards,

Licensing Team



Licensing Team

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w: www.cru.ie **e:** licensing@cru.ie

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From: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>
Sent: 02 July 2020 14:57
To: Info CRU <info@cru.ie>
Subject: Scoping Report

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Kind Regards

Ciara Finn
For and on behalf of



Eamon Hutton
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Marie Geary

From: Diane Power <Diane.Power@corkrdo.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 10:37
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

A Chara,

I wish to acknowledge receipt of your submission via national.roads@corkrdo.ie.

I confirm that this matter is receiving attention and our office will revert to you as soon as possible.

Is mise le meas,

Diane Power,
Clerical Officer,
Cork County Council National Roads Office, Richmond, Glanmire, County Cork
T45 WA44

Email: dpower@corkrdo.ie
Tel: Office – 00 353 21 4821046
Tel: Direct Dial – 00 353 21 4858171

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 10:30
To: National.roads <National.roads@corkrdo.ie>
Subject: FW: Scoping Report

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Marie Geary

From: Info Opw <info@opw.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:36
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Automatic reply: Scoping Report

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Eamon Hutton
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15 July 2020

Re: proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm EIAR – Scoping and consultation request
Your Ref: P2114/Lett/EH/CF
Our Ref: 20/141

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Dear Eamon,

With reference to your email received on the 02 July 2020, concerning the proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm EIAR – Scoping and consultation request, Geological Survey Ireland (a division of Department of Communications, Climate Action and Environment) would like to make the following comments.

Geoheritage

Geological Survey Ireland (GSI) is in partnership with the National Parks and Wildlife Service (NPWS, Department of Arts, Heritage, Regional, Rural and Gaeltacht Affairs) to identify and select important geological and geomorphological sites throughout the country for designation as geological NHAs (Natural Heritage Areas). This is addressed by the Irish Geoheritage Programme (IGH) of GSI, under 16 different geological themes, in which the minimum number of scientifically significant sites that best represent the theme are rigorously selected by a panel of theme experts.

County Geological Sites (CGS), as adopted under the National Heritage Plan are now included in County Development Plans and in the GIS of planning departments, to ensure the recognition and appropriate protection of geological heritage within the planning system. CGSs can be viewed online under the Geological Heritage tab on the online [Map Viewer](#). Although the audit for Co. Cork has not yet been completed, **there is an unaudited CGS in the vicinity of the wind farm: Boggeragh Mountains (GR 143000, 87000), under IGH Theme 14: IGH14 Fluvial/Lacustrine Geomorphology**. Unaudited sites are sites that have been identified by a panel of experts as significant in terms of their geological importance and interest but which have not yet been assessed as an individual site through a county audit.

With the current plan, there are no envisaged impacts on the integrity of current CGSs by the proposed development. However, if the proposed development plan is altered, please contact Clare Glanville (Clare.Glanville@gsi.ie) for further information and possible mitigation measures if applicable.



Groundwater

Groundwater is important as a source of drinking water, and it supports river flows, lake levels and ecosystems. It contains natural substances dissolved from the soils and rocks that it flows through, and can also be contaminated by human actions on the land surface. As a clean, but vulnerable, resource, groundwater needs to be understood, managed and protected. Through our [Groundwater Programme](#), Geological Survey Ireland provides advice and maps to members of the public, consultancies and public bodies about groundwater quality, quantity and distribution. Geological Survey Ireland monitors groundwater nationwide by characterising aquifers, investigating karst landscapes and landforms and by helping to protect public and group scheme water supplies. With regard to Flood Risk Management, there is a need to identify areas for integrated constructed wetlands. We recommend using the GSI's National Aquifer and Recharge maps on our [Map viewer](#) to this end. **The Groundwater Vulnerability map indicates the area covered is variable. We would therefore recommend use of the Groundwater Viewer to identify areas of High to Extreme Vulnerability and 'Rock at or near surface' in your EIAR.**

Geohazards

Geohazards can cause widespread damage to landscapes, wildlife, human property and human life. In Ireland, landslides are the most prevalent of these hazards. **Landslides are common in areas of peat, such as areas which are found close to the proposed wind farm. Landslide susceptibility in the area of the proposed wind farm is variable and is classed from Moderately Low / Moderately High to High. Geological Survey Ireland has information available on past landslides on our [Map Viewer](#).**

Geological Survey Ireland also engages in national projects such as Groundwater Flooding (GWFlood). We recommend that geohazards be taken into consideration, especially when developing areas where these risks are prevalent, and we encourage the use of our data (available on the [geohazard pages](#) of our website) when doing so.

Natural Resources (Minerals/Aggregates)

Geological Survey Ireland is of the view that the sustainable development of our natural resources should be an integral part of all development plans from a national to regional to local level to ensure that the materials required for our society are available when required. Geological Survey Ireland highlights the consideration of mineral resources and potential resources as a material asset which should be explicitly recognised within the environmental assessment process. Geological Survey Ireland provides data, maps, interpretations and advice on matters related to minerals, their use and their development in our [Minerals section](#) of the website. The Active Quarries, Mineral Localities and the Aggregate Potential maps are available on our [Map Viewer](#).

Geotechnical Database Resources

Geological Survey Ireland continues to populate and develop our national geotechnical database and viewer with site investigation data submitted voluntarily by industry. The current database holding is over 7500 reports with 134,000 boreholes; 31,000 of which are digitised which can be accessed through downloads from our [Geotechnical Map Viewer](#). We would strongly recommend that this database be consulted as part of any baseline geological assessment of the proposed development as it can provide invaluable baseline data for the region or vicinity of the proposed development area. This information may be beneficial and cost saving for any site specific investigations that may be designed as part of the development.

Other Comments

Should development go ahead, all other factors considered, Geological Survey Ireland would much appreciate a copy of reports detailing any site investigations carried out. Should any significant bedrock cuttings be created, we would ask that they will be designed to remain visible as rock exposure rather than covered with soil and vegetated, in accordance with safety guidelines and engineering constraints.



In areas where natural exposures are few, or deeply weathered, this measure would permit on-going improvement of geological knowledge of the subsurface and could be included as additional sites of the geoheritage dataset, if appropriate. Alternatively, we ask that a digital photographic record of significant new excavations could be provided. Potential visits from Geological Survey Ireland to personally document exposures could also be arranged.

The data would be added to GSI's national database of site investigation boreholes, implemented to provide a better service to the civil engineering sector. Data can be sent to Beatriz Mozo, Land Mapping Unit, at Beatriz.Mozo@gsi.ie, 01-678 2795.

I hope that these comments are of assistance, and if we can be of any further help, please do not hesitate to contact me (Trish.Smullen@dcae.gov.ie), or my colleague Clare Glanville (Clare.Glanville@dcae.ie).

Yours sincerely,

Trish Smullen
Geoheritage Programme
Geological Survey Ireland

Marie Geary

From: Dawn Quin <admin@batconservationireland.org>
Sent: Monday 13 July 2020 16:12
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Re: Scoping Report

Dear Ciara,

Thank you for your e-mail.

As we are a small organisation, with limited resources, we do not have the capacity to get involved in planning issues.

Best wishes

Dawn Quinn
Administrative Manager
Bat Conservation Ireland

admin@batconservationireland.org
www.batconservationireland.org



----- On Thu, 02 Jul 2020 14:20:14 +0100 **Ballinagree Wind Farm** <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie> wrote -----

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**Pagestown,
Maynooth,
Co. Kildare.
Phone 01 628 9901
conservation.butterfly@gmail.com**

July 29th 2020

Your Ref: P2114/Lett/EH/CF

Eamon Hutton,
Fehily Timoney & Company,
Core House,
Pouladuff Road,
County Cork, T12 D773

Re: Proposed Ballinagree Wind Farm Environmental Impact Assessment Report –
Scoping & Consultation Request

Dear Mr Hutton,

We write with reference to the matter stated above.

The site of the proposed wind farm is near Mullaghanish to Musheramore Mountains SPA. This site holds Merlin and Hen Harrier both listed on Annex I of the Habitats' Directive. The site of the proposed wind farm is near Boggeragh Mountains NHA. This area holds Golden Plover, a Red Data Book species. This area also holds Devil's-bit Scabious, the foodplant of the Marsh Fritillary butterfly, listed on Annex II of the Habitats' Directive. The unplanted areas of upland blanket bog may also contain Large Heath butterfly, listed as Vulnerable on the Ireland Red List No.4: Butterflies (https://www.npws.ie/sites/default/files/publications/pdf/RL_2010_Butterflies.pdf).

The Large Heath is also rated Vulnerable on the European Red List of butterflies (https://ec.europa.eu/environment/nature/conservation/species/redlist/downloads/European_butterflies.pdf).

The species stated above may also occur on the site of the proposed wind farm in which case the potential for negative impacts may be unacceptably high. The status of these species on the designated sites may also be negatively impacted by a windfarm on the Ballinagree site.

We note, from your documentation, the following potential impacts of the wind farm on biodiversity:

Direct loss of habitat due to the footprint of the area;
Damage to adjacent habitats during construction which could potentially be affected by construction activity;

Impacts during construction on the hydrology of water dependent habitats
Impacts on water quality both at a local level and regional level due to pollution run-off whether during or post construction;
Impacts on aquatic species during construction or due to pollution events etc.;
Disturbance to local wildlife, including loss of habitat, disturbance and displacement;
The potential collision risk to birds and bats;
Damage to or habitat loss of important wildlife corridors or stepping stones during construction.
Fragmentation of same at a larger more regional level as a result of habitat loss;
The introduction of alien invasive species during construction;
Displacement of bird species from limited breeding areas;
Displacement or disturbance to breeding waders from areas within the proposed wind turbine envelope;
Barrier effect on migrating birds, whereby individual species' dispersal or migration routes are affected by the placement of turbines which effectively cause a barrier;
Impacts on the conservation status or constituent parts of designated sites.
Potential impacts associated with tree felling and any required replanting on designated sites, habitats, Biodiversity.

The potential loss of breeding habitat for the Marsh Fritillary butterfly should be added to this list.

The population trend of the Marsh Fritillary butterfly in Ireland 2008-2019 is rated as 'Unknown' (Judge and Lysaght 2020). This rating is linked to the small number of monitored sites. The uncertainty of its abundance level underlines the need to avoid damage to any breeding or potential breeding site.

Given the extensive list of potential impacts on biodiversity, the potential loss of habitat for the Marsh Fritillary butterfly and the potential disruption of dispersal routes required for its metapopulation, Butterfly Conservation Ireland does not support the proposed development.

Yours sincerely,

Mr Jesmond Harding,
Secretary,
Butterfly Conservation Ireland.

Directors: Michael Jacob (Chairman) Jesmond Harding, Joseph Harding, Kieran Buckley.

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Marie Geary

From: info@birdwatchireland.ie
Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 11:52
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report

Hi Eamon ,

Thank you for your email .Your previous email was forwarded to our Policy officer and I have also forwarded this one along .Thank you .

Regards,
Michelle Kavanagh,
Membership Department.
BirdWatch Ireland

Unit 20 Block D | Bullford Business Campus | Kilcoole | Greystones | A63 RW83 | Co.Wicklow | Ireland

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From: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>

Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 11:41

To: info@birdwatchireland.ie

Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report

Dear Sir/Madam,

We would like to follow up on an email issued to you last month regarding the Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report. We would like to confirm receipt of the report and invite any comments which you may have.

Kind regards,

Eamon Hutton



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Marie Geary

From: John Horgan <John.Horgan@teagasc.ie>
Sent: Thursday 20 August 2020 15:06
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: Cyril McCarthy; Tom Cooney
Subject: as above correspondance / scoping report

I acknowledge receipt of Correspondence and Scoping Report.
I have no observations to make in this Regard,

Regards

John Horgan.
Regional Manager,
Teagasc Cork East Region,
Knockgriffin,
Midleton, Co. Cork.
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Marie Geary

From: Networksinfo <Networksinfo@gasnetworks.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 15:16
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Thank you for contacting Gas Networks Ireland



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Thank you for your attention.

Tá an fhaisnéis á seachadadh dírithe ar an duine nó ar an eintiteas chuig a bhfuil sí seolta amháin agus féadfar ábhar faoi rún, faoi phribhléid nó ábhar atá íogair ó thaobh tráchtála de a bheith mar chuid de. Tá aon athsheachadadh nó scaipeadh den fhaisnéis, aon athbhreithniú ar nó aon úsáid eile a bhaint as, nó aon ghníomh a dhéantar ag brath ar an bhfaisnéis seo ag daoine nó ag eintitis nach dóibh siúd an fhaisnéis seo, toirimisce the agus féadfar é a bheith neamhdhleathach. Níl Líonraí Gáis Éireann faoi dhliteanas maidir le seachadadh iomlán agus ceart na faisnéise sa chumarsáid seo nó maidir le haon mhoill a bhaineann léi. Ní ghlacann Líonraí Gáis Éireann le haon dliteanas faoi ghníomh nó faoi iarmhairtí bunaithe ar úsáid thoirmisce the na faisnéise seo. Níl Líonraí Gáis Éireann faoi dhliteanas maidir le seachadadh ceart agus iomlán na faisnéise sa chumarsáid seo nó maidir le haon mhoill a bhaineann léi. Má fuair tú an teachtaireacht seo in earráid, más é do thoil é, déan teagmháil leis an seoltóir agus scríos an t-ábhar ó gach aon ríomhaire.

Féadfar ríomhphost a bheith soghabhálach i leith truaillithe, idircheaptha agus i leith leasaithe neamhúdraithe. Ní ghlacann Líonraí Gáis Éireann le haon fhreagracht as athruithe nó as idircheapadh a rinneadh ar an ríomhphost seo i ndiaidh é a sheoladh nó as aon dochar do chórais na bhfaighteoírí déanta ag an teachtaireacht seo nó ag a ceangaltáin. Más é do thoil é, tabhair faoi deara chomh maith go bhféadfar monatóireacht a dhéanamh ar theachtairreachtaí chuig nó ó Líonraí Gáis Éireann chun comhlíonadh le polasaithe agus le caighdeáin Líonraí Gáis Éireann a chinntiú agus chun ár ngnó a chosaint. Líonraí Gáis Éireann cuideachta ghníomhaíochta ainmnithe, faoi theorainn scaireanna, atá corpraithe in Éirinn leis an uimhir chláráithe 555744 agus a tá hoifig chláráithe ag Bóthar na nOibreacha Gáis, Corcaigh, T12 RX96.

Go raibh maith agat as d'aird a thabhairt.

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Thank you for your attention.

Marie Geary

From: Sinead Duffy <sinead.duffy@met.ie>
Sent: Monday 27 July 2020 10:56
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: Met Eireann; Tony O'Leary
Subject: RE: Request for comments on planned Wind Farm Development

Good morning Ciara,

Many thanks for your email.

Met Éireann have no comments on the proposed renewable energy development at this time.

We have commenced planning an expanded meteorological radar network and may have comments on the proposed development at a later point.

Kind regards,
Sinéad Duffy

Sinéad Duffy
Meteorologist, Observations Division
Met Éireann, Glasnevin Hill, Dublin 9, D09 Y921, Ireland
tel +353 (0)1 8065 574 mob +353 (0) 86 6061712

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [<mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>]
Sent: 02 July 2020 15:59
To: Met Eireann <met.eireann@met.ie>
Subject: Scoping Report

Dear Sir/Madam

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Kind Regards

Ciara Finn
For and on behalf of



Eamon Hutton
Project Planner

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Ta an teachtaireacht ríomhphoist seo scuabtha le bogearraí frithvireas.

Marie Geary

From: Info@Eirgrid.com
Sent: Monday 6 July 2020 10:08
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

Dear all,

Thank you for bringing this to our attention. If you would like we could set up a customer clinic for you? This is an opportunity to meet in the pre-application phase if a customer has questions they would like to pose of EirGrid subject matter experts. Please let me know if this would be of interest to you. Our next availability would be on 12 August.

Kind regards

Jeroen Vandommele

Senior Customer Relations Specialist

Mobile: +353 (0) 85 870 9717

Reception: +353 (0)1 667 1700



www.EirGrid.com

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [<mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>]

Sent: 02 July 2020 15:04

To: Info - EirGrid

Subject: Scoping Report

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Marie Geary

From: esbnetworks@esb.ie
Sent: Friday 10 July 2020 16:54
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Re: Scoping Report [#553668]



Good Afternoon Ciara,

Thank you for your email and attachments.

I have forwarded same for the attention of the local ESB Networks office in Bandon.

Please contact me again if I can be of further assistance.

Kind regards,

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dearcthaí ESB.

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Marie Geary

From: Sustainable Energy Authority of Ireland <info@seai.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:49
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Scoping Report - CAS-174747-Z2T5M7 CRM:00010112947

Thank you for contacting SEAI.

The details of your email will be reviewed by a member of our Customer Service Team.

We aim to respond to all emails, where possible within 1 working day.

In the meantime, if your query is urgent please contact 01 808 2100.

Kind regards

SEAI Helpdesk



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Marie Geary

From: noreplyntacrm ntacrm <noreplyntacrm@nationaltransport.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:35
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Your enquiry has been received. Case reference #: CAS-93623-L2D4F1 NTA:00000080000123422

CASE REFERENCE #: CAS-93623-L2D4F1

DEPARTMENT RESPONSIBLE:

Dear Sir or Madam,

Thank you for contacting the National Transport Authority. Your enquiry has been received and will be dealt with as soon as possible. We aim to respond to all enquiries within 15 working days. A copy of your enquiry is displayed below.

Kind regards,
National Transport Authority

A Dhuine Uaisle,

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Le dea-ghuí,
An t-Údarás Náisiúnta Iompair

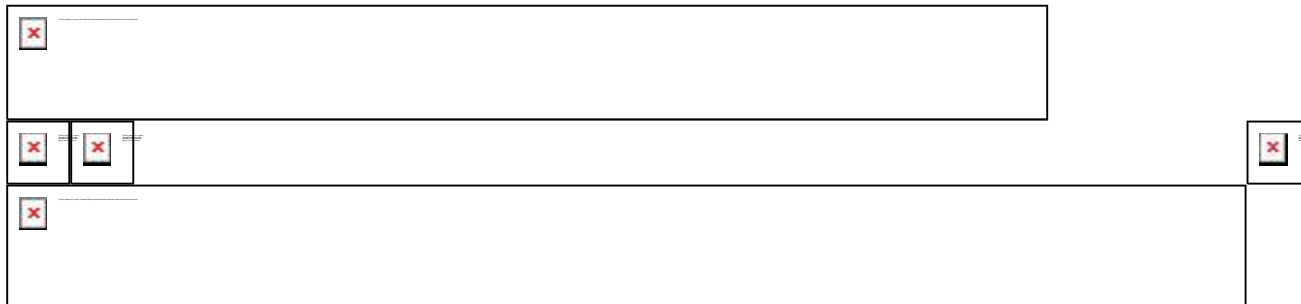
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Subject: **Scoping Report**

Contact Name: ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie

Email Address: ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie



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Marie Geary

From: Cork Feedback MB <Cork.Feedback@corkairport.com>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 14:37
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Automatic reply: Scoping Report

Táimid buíoch díot as an teachtaireacht ríomhphoist a sheol tú chugainn.

Déanfar do theachttaireacht a athbhreithniú a luaithe agus is féidir agus cuirfear ar aghaidh é chuig an Roinn ábhartha lena fhreagairt.

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Le dea-mhéin

Caidreamh Custaiméirí Aerfort Chorcaí

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Regards,

Cork Airport Customer Relations

T: 00353 21 4329622

Marie Geary

From: Bernadette Connolly <bernadette@cef.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 12:22
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report (for the attention of Ted Cooke)

Hi Eamon,
Thank you for your correspondence and apologies as it had slipped me by with a rather overloaded inbox in the midst of leave etc.

I will take a look at it today. Can I get back to you by the end of this week.

Best regards,

Bernie

Bernie Connolly
Development Coordinator
Tel.: 083 1468064

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From: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>
Sent: 19 August 2020 11:54
To: bernadette@cef.ie
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report (for the attention of Ted Cooke)

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Marie Geary

From: Macroom <macroomenv@hotmail.com>
Sent: Friday 21 August 2020 14:50
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: Macroom District Environmental Group and Ballinagree wind farm scoping

To whom it may concern:

Your firm sent an email to Cork Environmental Forum including a cover letter and scoping report for the proposed wind farm.

The cover letter listed Ted Cooke of Macroom District Environmental Group as an addressee. Bernadette Connolly of the Forum informed me of this.

Macroom District Environmental Group (MDEG) is not reachable by writing to Cork Environmental Forum. We are a separate and unconnected entity.

Please record that MDEG has not engaged with the scoping of the proposed project.

Kind regards

Donal O' Leary
Macroom District Environmental Group



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Marie Geary

From: nationalmonuments <nationalmonuments@chg.gov.ie>
Sent: Thursday 20 August 2020 08:57
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: Manager DAU
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report

Dear Eamon,

Yes, received with thanks. I forwarded your consultation to the Development Application Unit of the Department (copied) who handle such requests.

Regards,

Dave Farrell
National Monuments Service

An Roinn Cultúir, Oidhreacht agus Gaeltachta
Department of Culture, Heritage and the Gaeltacht
Teach an Chustaim, Baile Átha Cliath 1 D01 W6XO
Custom House, Dublin 1 D01 W6XO

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From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie]
Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 11:55
To: nationalmonuments
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Marie Geary

From: Michael Creed <Michael.Creed@oireachtas.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 09:49
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

Ciara,

Thank you for your e-mail.

I will bring same to Michael's attention.

Kind regards.

Catherine

Catherine O'Connell
Michael Creed TD
Constituency Office Macroom, Co. Cork
Ph: 026 – 41835

From: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:00
To: Michael Creed <Michael.Creed@oireachtas.ie>
Subject: Scoping Report

Dear Sir/Madam

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Kind Regards

Ciara Finn
For and on behalf of



Eamon Hutton

Project Planner

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Marie Geary

From: John Mulhern <John.Mulhern@kerryairport.ie>
Sent: Monday 20 July 2020 12:33
To: Eamon Hutton
Cc: Howard Jones
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm - Scoping Request

Dear Eamon,

Thank you for your email.

We have reviewed your email and we do not intend to make any submissions on this proposal.

Kind regards,



John Mulhern
Chief Executive Officer

email: john.mulhern@kerryairport.ie | mobile: 087 933 4569

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From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 15 July 2020 10:50
To: Kerry Airport <info@kerryairport.ie>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm - Scoping Request

Dear Sir/Madam,

By request of the Irish Aviation Authority I have been asked to contact Kerry Airport with regard the proposed wind farm development in County Cork as detailed below. The IAA have indicated that a preliminary screening assessment should be carried out to confirm that the proposed wind farm and the associated cranes that would be utilised during its construction would have no impact on flight operations at Kerry Airport. I ask that you please refer this email and the attached scoping report to the operators of the Airport. We invite you to comment on the proposed development. Note that the requested date for responses is indicative only and we are open to responses thereafter. Should potential impact on flight operations be identified, we will engage in further consultation.

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Marie Geary

From: donna.oregan@icrr.ie
Sent: Wednesday 15 July 2020 19:05
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm - Scoping Request

Hi Eamon,

Thanks for this. I've forwarded this to Denis and I've sent him your email address also.

ICRR will read and give feedback if we have any.

Best,

Donna O'Regan
Project Manager



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From: Eamon Hutton
Sent: 15 July 2020 13:58
To: donna.oregan@icrr.ie
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm - Scoping Request

Hi Donna,

Thank you for calling me back earlier. Could I ask you to please forward this email and attachments on to the operators of the Rathcoole Aerodrome. We would also be interested in feedback from the ICRR and whether or not the proposed wind farm would impact on ICRR operations.

Kind regards,
Eamon Hutton

Dear Sir/Madam,

By request of the Irish Aviation Authority I have been asked to contact the Rathcoole Aerodrome with regard to the proposed wind farm development in County Cork as detailed below. The IAA have indicated that a preliminary screening assessment should be carried out to confirm that the proposed wind farm and the associated cranes that would be utilised during its construction would have no impact on flight operations at the Rathcoole Aerodrome. I ask that you please refer this email and the attached scoping report to the operators of the Aerodrome. We invite you to comment on the proposed development. Note that the requested date for responses is indicative only and we are open to responses thereafter. Should potential impact on flight operations be identified, we will engage in further consultation.

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Marie Geary

From: Lyndsey Crowley <lyndsey@novatelecom.ie>
Sent: Tuesday 29 September 2020 12:53
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: Re: FW: Nova broadband response - Ballinagree windfarm

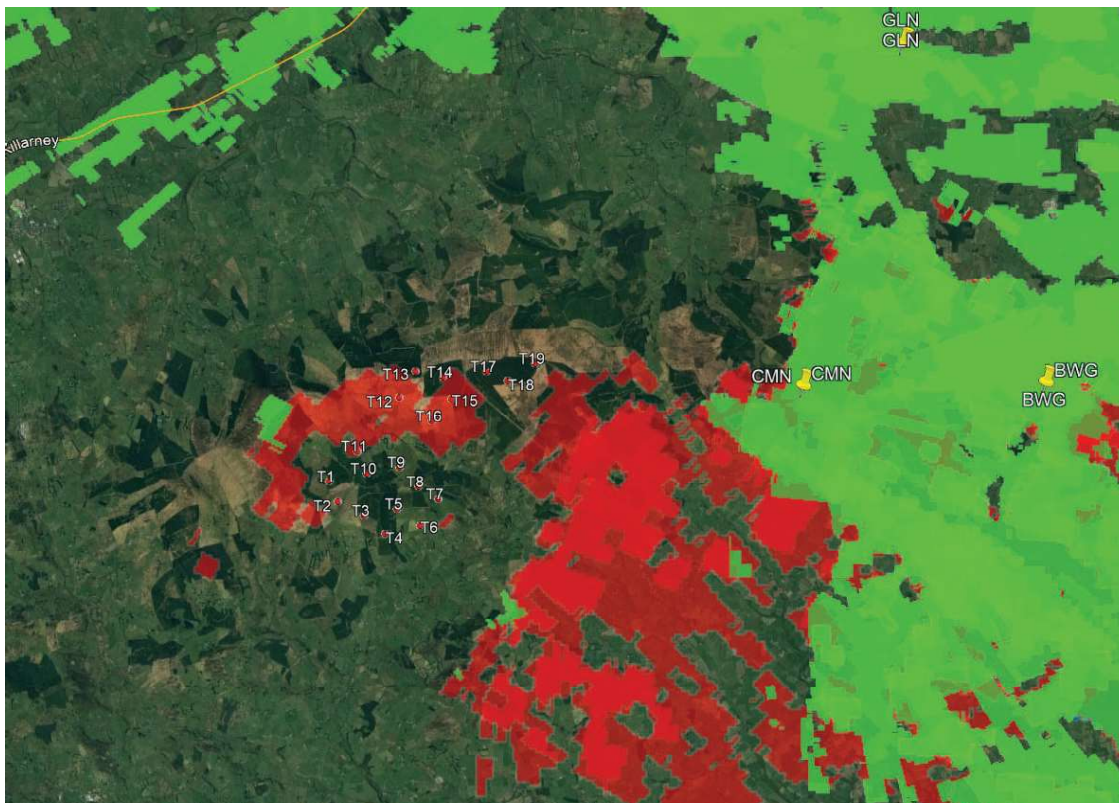
Hi Eamon,

Apologies for the delay.

I have taken a further look and have attached a snippet of coverage over that direction.

We have 3 base stations close: CMN, BWG and GLN.

These cover a spread of 360 degrees @ 30km.



Looking at the positioning of turbines as long as they are pointing in the direction of these sites there shouldn't be any problems here.

Please let me know if you require any further information or if you need a KMZ file.

Thanks,
Lyndsey



Lyndsey Crowley - Network Development Manager
lyndsey@novatelecom.ie

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On Fri, 28 Aug 2020 at 11:29, Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie> wrote:

Apologies. The KMZ file is attached here.

Eamon

From: Eamon Hutton
Sent: Friday 28 August 2020 11:28
To: Lyndsey Crowley <lyndsey@novatelecom.ie>
Subject: RE: Nova broadband response - Ballinagree windfarm

Lyndsey,

Many thanks for your correspondence. I have attached a list of coordinates of the proposed turbines and a KMZ file of same. Could you please identify any nodes which may be impacted by the proposal and we can consider appropriate mitigation/redesign. We would appreciate if you could provide coordinates of any potentially impacted node. If you require any further information please feel free to contact me.

Coordinates of turbines: (ITM)

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T6	536752	582906
T7	537203	583542
T8	536719	583861
T9	536256	584346
T10	535446	584203
T11	535222	584749
T12	536270	586072
T13	536679	586708
T14	537355	586557
T15	537560	586024
T16	537070	585474
T17	538431	586680
T18	538953	586453
T19	539629	586861

Kind regards,

Eamon Hutton



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From: Lyndsey Crowley <lyndsey@novatelecom.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 12:29

To: Ballinagree Wind Farm <ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>

Subject: Nova broadband response - Ballinagree windfarm

Hello,

Thank you for your email regarding the proposed turbine development at Ballinagree

We have had a cursory look and do feel that there will be some impact to our publically available telecommunications services.

There are a number of base stations nearby, operating fixed wireless broadband and telephony services for both residential and business customers.

Lyndsey



Lyndsey Crowley - Network Development Manager

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Marie Geary

From: Walters Account <skylinkevans@gmail.com>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 18:26
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: walter evans
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm

Hi Ciara,

Thanks for sending details of this wind farm on which I have no comments to make.

Please also note my new email address is: skylinkevans@gmail , and you might change this on your systems.

Kind regards,

Walter Evans

Dear Sir/Madam

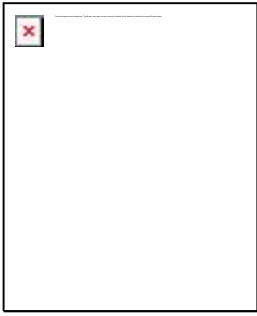
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Marie Geary

From: Ronnie O'Neill <Ronnie.ONeill@imaginegroup.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 9 September 2020 12:41
To: Eamon Hutton
Cc: Lorna Brennan
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon ,

There should be no issues for Imagine with this development .

Thanks ,
Ronnie .

From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 2 September 2020 16:26
To: Ronnie O'Neill <Ronnie.ONeill@imaginegroup.ie>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Greetings,

Coillte and Brookfield Renewables intend to apply for planning consent for a Wind Farm development near Ballinagree in north west County Cork. The Commission for Communications Regulation have recommended that we contact you in relation to potential interferences to telecommunications service as a result of the proposed wind farm. The proposed project is located north of the town of Ballinagree and south west of the Boggeragh Mountains. I have attached a KMZ file which includes all the proposed turbine locations (this can be opened in the google earth app) and I have attached a list of the ITM coordinates of the turbines below.

Please consider the location of this project with respect to your company's infrastructure. If there are any potential issues arising or any further information I can provide you with regarding the proposed project please do not hesitate to contact me by email or telephone.

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T13	536679	586708
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Marie Geary

From: Munster Broadband Support <support@munsterbroadband.ie>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:26
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: #110427 New Support Ticket Created

--REPLY above this line to respond--



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Hello ,

Service Ticket # **110427**, has been created for you.

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Description: Scoping Report

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Marie Geary

From: L1-External <support@digiweb.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 19 August 2020 12:03
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: [Digiweb #2405399] AutoReply: Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report

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[Digiweb #2405399]

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Kind Regards,

Digiweb Technical Support Team

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Dear Sir/Madam,

We would like to follow up on an email issued to you last month regarding the Ballinagree Wind Farm EIA Scoping Report. We would like to confirm receipt of the report and invite any comments which you may have.

Kind regards,

Eamon Hutton

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Marie Geary

From: Fergus Hickey <fergus.hickey@ripplecom.net>
Sent: Thursday 20 August 2020 13:55
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE Ballinagree

Hi
It looks like this will affect one of our main links into Cork city, below are the GPS of both locations and approximate heights, and frequency etc

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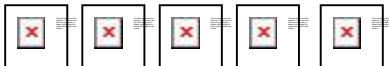
CIX Cork
GPS = 51.903583 -8.51255
Height = 10 Metres
Frequency = 17GHz

Thank you

Best Regards

Fergus Hickey | Operations Coordinator

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Marie Geary

From: Magnet Networks <emailtocase@magnetnetworks.com>
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 16:20
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
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Marie Geary

From: gis.ireland@bt.com
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 09:15
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: RE: Scoping Report

Hi Ciara,

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Kind Regards,

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From: Ballinagree Wind Farm [<mailto:ballinagreewindfarm@ftco.ie>]
Sent: 02 July 2020 14:29
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Subject: Scoping Report

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Kind Regards

Ciara Finn

For and on behalf of



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Marie Geary

From: Mark Nolan <Mark.Nolan@virginmedia.ie>
Sent: Thursday 3 September 2020 07:35
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon,

Thank you for making us aware of this development. This will have no impact on our network.

Rgds

Mark

Mark Nolan | B2B Wireless Networks Manager
Virgin Media | Limerick, Roxboro Rd, Limerick
D: + 353 1 245 8480 | M: + 353 862315007
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From: Eamon Hutton [mailto:eamon.hutton@ftco.ie]
Sent: 02 September 2020 16:20
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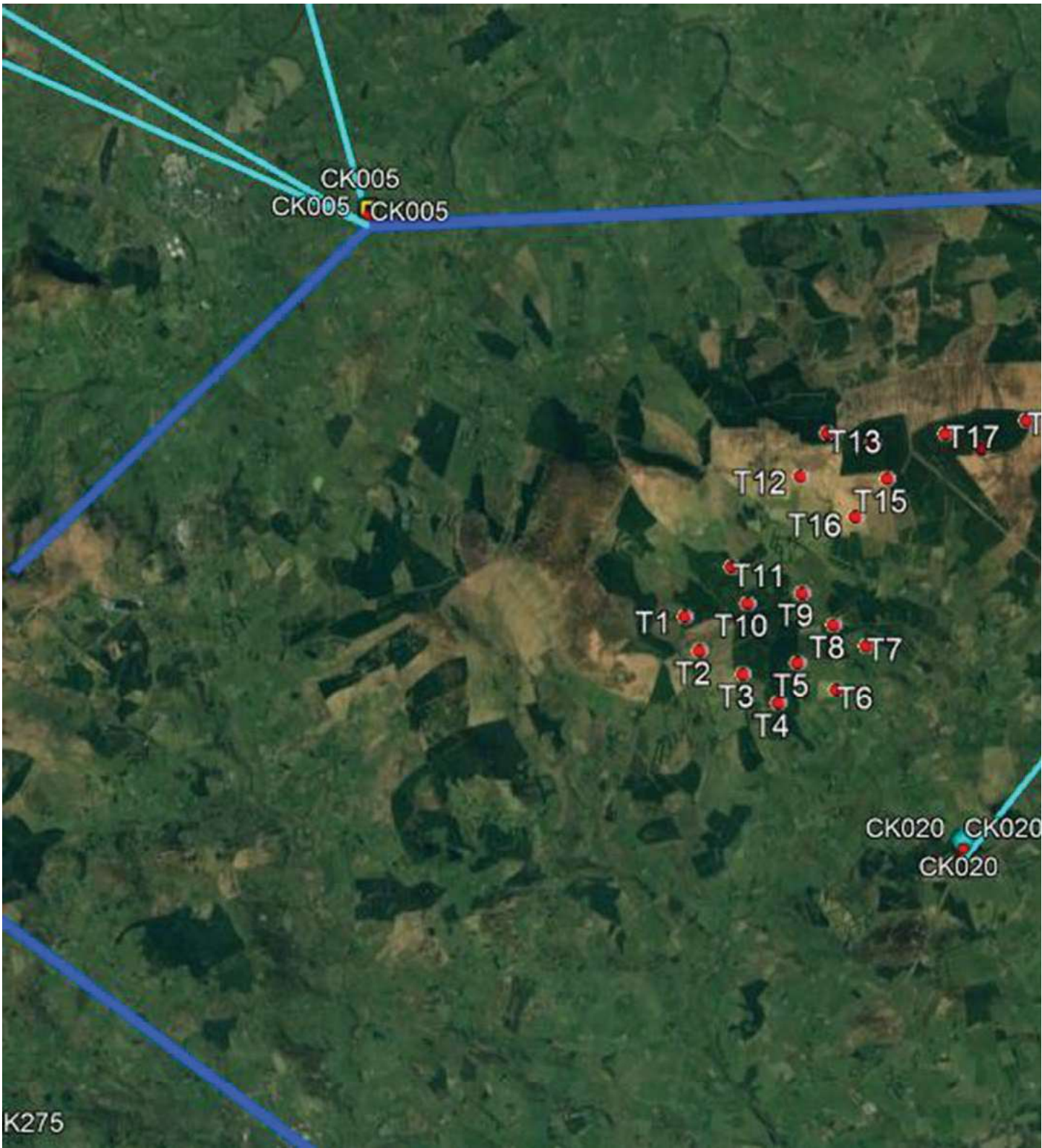
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Sent: Monday 7 September 2020 12:52
To: Eamon Hutton
Cc: Cassidy, Emma, Vodafone Ireland; Neill o', Shane, Vodafone Ireland; Murphy, Daragh, Vodafone Ireland; Dennehy, Darragh, Vantage Towers Ireland; McHugh, Brian, Vantage Towers Ireland; Lyons, Sean, Vodafone Ireland (External)
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon,

There doesn't appear to be any interference with existing Vodafone transmission in this area. If you have any further queries, or there is a change to the layout of this development, please let me know.



Thanks



Gavin Byrne
TX Planning & Design Engineer
Converged Transmission

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From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 2 September 2020 16:22
To: Byrne, Gavin, Vodafone Ireland <gavin.byrne@vodafone.com>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

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Marie Geary

From: Alister Cole <Alister.Cole1@three.ie>
Sent: Thursday 3 September 2020 14:21
To: Eamon Hutton
Cc: DL Estates ROI
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon,

Thank you for sending the requested details. I have reviewed the turbine layout for the proposed windfarm and 3Ireland currently have no microwave links that will be affected.

Best regards,

Alister



Alister Cole
Transmission Engineer

Mobile: 086 6024556
Email: Alister.Cole1@three.ie

From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: 03 September 2020 11:43
To: Alister Cole <Alister.Cole1@three.ie>
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Alister,

Thanks for getting back to me. I have attached an excel file detailing the coordinates of the turbines. The maximum tip height will be up to 185m and the rotor diameter is expected to be up to 155m.

Kind regards,
Eamon Hutton

From: Alister Cole <Alister.Cole1@three.ie>
Sent: Thursday 3 September 2020 09:39
To: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon,

Please could you supply the turbine location coordinates in Irish Grid?, also would you have the turbine structure height.

Thanks and regards,

Alister



Alister Cole
Transmission Engineer

Mobile: 086 6024556
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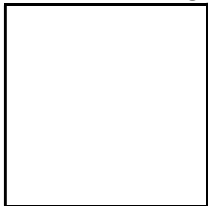
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Marie Geary

From: John Reilly <john.reilly1@esb.ie>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 12:30
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Cc: Niall Fitzpatrick; Noreen Delaney
Subject: Re Ballinagree Wind Farm
Attachments: Ballynagree_NW_Cork.BMP; ATT00001.txt; ATT00002.htm

Hello,

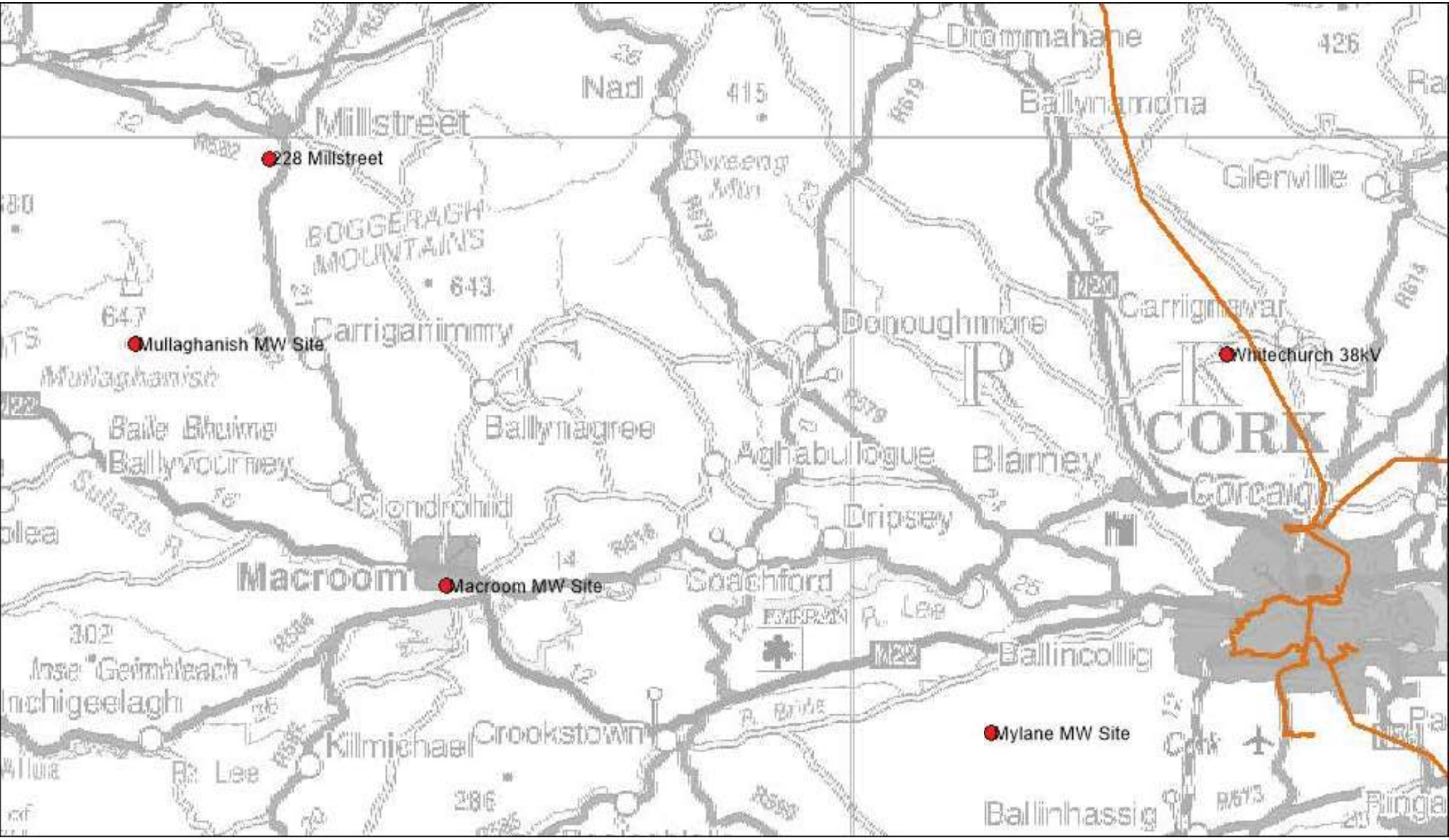
We have reviewed and checked your proposal for a wind farm in the Ballynagree area (NW Cork) to assess if there is any impact on ESBT Tower and Fibre infrastructure.

We don't have any infrastructure of either type in the area. I have attached a snapshot showing towers and fibre in the NW Cork area to show this.

Best regards
John

John Reilly | Infrastructure Manager | ESB Telecoms Ltd | T: +353 1 702 6819 / +353 87 966 9398 | john.reilly1@esb.ie |

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Marie Geary

From: Thomas Barry <Tom.Barry@TETRAIRELAND.IE>
Sent: Friday 3 July 2020 14:39
To: Ballinagree Wind Farm
Subject: FW: Scoping Report Ballinagree, Co. Cork TT143679

Ciara,

We anticipate no impact from development at the proposed location. Can you ensure the proposal is also reviewed by eir.

Regards,
Tom

From: Derek Rosarius
Sent: Thursday 2 July 2020 17:43
To: Thomas Barry
Subject: FW: Scoping Report

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From: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
Sent: Thursday 3 September 2020 09:26
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamonn,

This proposed wind farm will not affect our current network,

Best Regards,
Peter

From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday, September 2, 2020 4:23 PM
To: Peter O'Brien <peter.obrien@enet.ie>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

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Marie Geary

From: Jimmy Sugrue <jsugrue@ivertec.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 2 September 2020 16:54
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon,

Ivertec do not have any issue with the proposed Wind Farm development.

Regards,
Jimmy Sugrue.

From: Eamon Hutton <eamon.hutton@ftco.ie>
Sent: Wednesday 2 September 2020 16:24
To: Jimmy Sugrue <jsugrue@ivertec.ie>
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Marie Geary

From: Roger Woods <rwoods@bai.ie>
Sent: Thursday 3 September 2020 11:33
To: Eamon Hutton
Subject: RE: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Hi Eamon

The BAI does not perform an in-depth analysis of the effect of wind turbines on FM networks. However, we are not aware of any issues from existing windfarms into existing FM networks. Also, the proposed windfarms are not located close to any existing or planned FM transmission sites.

Regards

Roger

Senior Executive Engineer
Broadcasting Authority of Ireland
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To: Roger Woods <rwoods@bai.ie>
Subject: Ballinagree Wind Farm Telecoms Assessment

Greetings,

Coillte and Brookfield Renewables intend to apply for planning consent for a Wind Farm development near Ballinagree in north west County Cork. The Commission for Communications Regulation have recommended that we contact you in relation to potential interferences to telecommunications service as a result of the proposed wind farm. The proposed project is located north of the town of Ballinagree and south west of the Boggeragh Mountains. I have attached a KMZ file which includes all the proposed turbine locations (this can be opened in the google earth app) and I have attached a list of the ITM coordinates of the turbines below.

Please consider the location of this project with respect to your company's infrastructure. If there are any potential issues arising or any further information I can provide you with regarding the proposed project please do not hesitate to contact me by email or telephone.

Coordinates (ITM)

ID	POINT_X	POINT_Y
T1	534516	584018
T2	534726	583509
T3	535368	583157
T4	535887	582716
T5	536183	583312
T6	536752	582906
T7	537203	583542
T8	536719	583861
T9	536256	584346
T10	535446	584203
T11	535222	584749
T12	536270	586072
T13	536679	586708
T14	537355	586557
T15	537560	586024
T16	537070	585474
T17	538431	586680
T18	538953	586453
T19	539629	586861

Kind regards,
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