

SITE NOTICE
Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended)
Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Bord Pleanála
in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development
County Tipperary

In accordance with Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended, Brittas Wind Farm Limited gives notice of its intention to make an application for permission to An Bord Pleanála in relation to the following proposed development in the townlands of Brittas, Rossestown, Clobanna, Brownstown, Killeenleigh, Kilkillahara, Brittasroad, Coolgarrane, Athnid More, Cassestown, Laghtagalla, Farranreigh, Furze, Loughlahan, Ballygammane, Co. Tipperary.

The proposed development for which permission under Section 37E is being sought will include the following:

- 10 No. Wind Turbines with a blade tip height of 180m, hub height range from 102.5 to 105.5m and a rotor diameter range from 149m to 155m;
- 10 No. Wind Turbine foundations and Hardstand areas and associated drainage infrastructure;
- 1 No. Permanent Lidar unit and associated foundation, hardstand area and compound for Meteorological Monitoring;
- 1 No. 110kV Electrical Substation including 2 No. control buildings, electrical plant and equipment, welfare facilities, carparking, water and wastewater holding tanks, security fencing, lightning protection and telecommunications masts, security cameras, external lighting and, all associated infrastructure;
- Installation of medium voltage underground electrical and communication cabling connecting the wind turbines to the proposed onsite substation and associated ancillary works;
- Installation of approximately 7km of underground electricity and communication cabling between the proposed onsite substation and the nearby existing Thurles 110kV substation in the townland of Ballygammane, Co. Tipperary. The cabling will be laid primarily within the public road and will connect the proposed wind farm to the national grid;
- 4 No. Site Entrances from the public road and associated fencing and signage;
- Construction of new permanent site access tracks, turning heads and associated drainage infrastructure;
- The upgrading of existing access tracks and associated drainage infrastructure;
- 2 No. Temporary construction site compounds and mobile welfare facilities;
- 1 No. Borrow pit and associated drainage infrastructure to be used as a source of stone material during construction;
- Spoil deposition areas;
- Associated surface water management systems;
- Tree felling and hedgerow removal to accommodate wind farm infrastructure;
- Temporary accommodation works at 2 no. locations adjacent to the public road to facilitate delivery of turbine components to site within the townlands of Brittas and Brittasroad, Co. Tipperary. The works primarily relate to trimming and clearing of vegetation, temporary removal of street furniture and fencing, and installation of temporary stone hard standing; and
- All related site works and ancillary development;

The applicant is seeking a ten-year permission and an operational period of no less than 35 years from the date of commissioning of the entire Wind Farm.

An Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and a Natural Impact Statement (NIS) have been prepared in respect of the proposed development and accompany this application. Certain details of the proposed development are unconfirmed in the planning application and an opinion on unconfirmed details also accompanies the application.

The planning application, EIAR and NIS may be inspected free of charge or purchased on payment of a specified fee (which fee shall not exceed the reasonable cost of making such a copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on the **17th Of December 2024** at the following locations:

- The offices of An Bord Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.
- The offices of Tipperary County Council, Civic Offices, Nenagh, Co. Tipperary

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following stand-alone website: **brittaswindfarmplanning.ie**

Submissions or observations may be made to An Bord Pleanála (The Board) during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to:

- i. the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development, and
- ii. the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- iii. the likely significant effects or adverse effect on any European site, if the development is carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by the Board not later than 5.30pm on **14th of February 2025**. Such submissions/observations must also include the following information:

- The name of the person making the submission or observations, the name of the person acting on their behalf, if any, and the address to which any correspondence relating to the application should be sent;
- The subject matter of the submission or observation; and
- The reasons, considerations and arguments on which it is based in full. (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations refers).

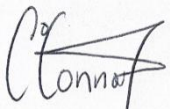
Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Board. Find out more information on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/observations

The Board may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (For further details see 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie).

The Board may in respect of an application for permission decide to:

- (a) (i) grant the permission, or (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its decision and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or (iii) grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions,
- or
- (b) refuse to grant the permission.

A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Board by way of an application for judicial review under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended) in accordance with Section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as amended. Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed on the Board's website www.pleanala.ie under the heading Judicial Review Notice or on the Citizens Information Services website www.citizensinformation.ie

SIGNED: 

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DATE OF ERECTION OF SITE NOTICE: 12th December 2024