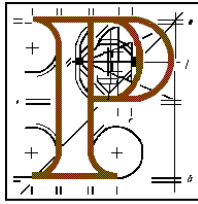


# An Bord Pleanála



## Application Form for Permission/Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

1. Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	<b>Section 37E of the Planning and Development Act, 2000 as inserted by the Planning and Development (Strategic Infrastructure) Act, 2006 and as amended by the Planning &amp; Development (Amendment) Act, 2010.</b>
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### 2. Applicant:

Name of Applicant: <b>ESB Wind Development Limited</b>
Address: <b>27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2</b>
Telephone No: <b>01 7038000</b>
Email Address (if any): <b>N/A</b>
Fax Number (if any): <b>N/A</b>

### 3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the companies Acts, 1963 to 1999):

Name(s) of company director(s): <b>Jim Caplis, Aidan O'Regan, Mick O'Mahony, David McNamara, John Healy</b>
Registered Address (of company): <b>27 Lower Fitzwilliam Street, Dublin 2</b>
Company Registration No: <b>351093</b>
Telephone No. <b>01 7038000</b>
Email Address (if any): <b>N/A</b>

Fax Number (if any): **N/A**

**4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):**

Name: <b>Brendan Allen</b>
Address: <b>ESB International, Stephen Court, 18 – 21 St. Stephens Green, Dublin 2.</b>
Telephone No. <b>01 7038195</b>
Mobile No. (if any) <b>086 8336990</b>
Email address (if any) <a href="mailto:brendan.allen@esbi.ie">brendan.allen@esbi.ie</a>
Fax No. (if any) <b>N/A</b>
<b>Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (please tick appropriate box)</b> (please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)  Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No:[ <input type="checkbox"/> ]

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required/appropriate:

**Brendan Allen - Ph. 086 8336990**

**5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:**

Name: <b>Brendan Allen</b>
Firm/Company: <b>ESB International</b>
Address: <b>Stephen Court, 18 – 21 St. Stephens Green, Dublin 2.</b>
Telephone No: <b>01 7038195</b>
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Fax No (if any): <b>N/A</b>
Details all plans/drawings submitted – title of drawings/plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. <b>See Planning Documents Volume 2 - Plans and Drawings</b>

**6. Site:**

Site Address/Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the	<b>The windfarm and all associated locations where works will take place are located in the townlands of Ballagh (ED Glanlee),</b>
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land or structure in question)	<b>Barnastooka, Clonkeen, Coolnagoppoge (ED Glanlough), Coolknoohil, Coomacullen, Coumaclovane, Cummeen Upper, Derreenclodig, Derreenlunnig, Gortlahard, Gortmarrahafineen, Grousemount, Inchamore, Inchee, Knockanruddig, Knockanuha, Lackabaun, Lyrenageeha, Redtrench South, Rossalougha, Sillahertane, County Kerry and in the townlands of Coolea, Derreenaculling, Derreenaling, Derrylahan, Derrynasaggart, Gortnatubbrid, Lumnagh More, Murnaghbeg, Reanabobul, Slievereagh, County Cork.</b>	
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No (and the Grid Reference where applicable)	<b>OSI Discovery Series (1:50,000) Map Nos. 79 and 85 OSI 6" Series Sheets - Kerry 85,86,94,95 &amp; 103 and Cork 68,69 &amp; 80 Grid Coordinates Centre Main Windfarm Site ITM E507977 N570660 Irish Grid E108007 N70597</b>	
Area of site to which the application relates in hectares	<b>The main windfarm site is approximately 1,465 hectares.</b>	
Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:		
<b>Site is not zoned as it lies outside zoned areas of the Cork and Kerry County Development Plans however it does have an extant planning permission for construction of a windfarm and all associated development.</b>		
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:		
<b>Existing Use: The main windfarm site is located in a rural area and lands are currently used for agricultural activities. Proposed Use: The lands at the main windfarm site will change to use primarily for renewable generation.</b>		
Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:		
<b>The main windfarm site is situated in Kerry County Council administrative area. The delivery routes 1 and 2 are located in primarily in Kerry County Council administrative area with some sections located in Cork County Council administrative area.</b>		

**7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application**

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner	Occupier
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	Other ✓	
Where legal interest is “Other”, please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
<b>ESB Wind Development Limited has permission from relevant landowners to make the application on both the main windfarm site lands and at the particular locations along delivery routes 1 and 2.</b>		
If you are not the legal owner, please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.		
<b>Letter of consent and approval to the making of the application from the relevant landowners, are attached – see Planning Documents Volume 1, Section 5.</b>		
Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands. If so, identify the lands and state the interest.		
<b>No.</b>		

## 8. Site History

<b>Details regarding site history (if known):</b>
Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?
Yes: [ ] No: [ ✓ ]
If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:
Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?
Yes: [ ] No: [ ✓ ]
If yes, please give details:

<b>Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?</b>
Yes: [ ✓ ] No: [ ]
If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications – <b>The main relevant applications are detailed below.</b>

Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority/An Bord Pleanála
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KCC 15/0262	<p><b><u>Grousemount Substation Modifications</u></b>  Development of an electrical transformer station consisting of three single storey control buildings with associated outdoor electrical equipment, including transformers, lightning protection masts and scada poles, effluent holding tank, internal roads, boundary fencing around the perimeter of the compound, associated access track and all other associated site development works, above and below ground. The proposed development is an amendment to the previously approved electrical transformer station at Grousemount Windfarm (Ref. No. 10/1333).</p>	<p>Permission was granted on the 5<sup>th</sup> August 2015.  <b>NO APPEALS.</b></p>
KCC 15/327 (Previous related application 15/134 was deemed to be invalid)	<p><b><u>Barnastooka Windfarm Modifications</u></b>  Development of a site entrance from the L3021 third class road and access tracks (approximate length 2,450 metres) and up to three borrow pits / repositories. This application relates to the previously approved Barnastooka Windfarm (Planning Ref. No. 10/0197)</p>	<p>Further Information was Requested on the 12<sup>th</sup> June 2015. This is due to be submitted during September 2015.</p>
KCC 14/412	<p><b><u>Anemometer Masts</u></b>  Erection of 3no. temporary anemometer masts for a period of 5 years.</p>	<p>Permission was granted on the 24<sup>th</sup> September 2014.  <b>NO APPEALS.</b></p>
KCC 10/1333	<p><b><u>Grousemount Windfarm</u></b>  24 wind turbines each with an output of 2 MW, access tracks, a fenced switchyard, anemometer masts, borrow pits, waste water treatment system and site works at Ballagh, Grousemount and Knockanruddig townlands. Each turbine comprising a tower of 80-85 metres with blades 41-45 metres in length.</p>	<p>Permission was granted on the 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012.  <b>NO APPEALS.</b></p>
KCC 10/0197	<p><b><u>Barnastooka Windfarm</u></b>  14 wind turbines of 80 metre hub height and 90 metre rotor diameter, control building, electrical compound, associated site roads, drainage and site works, at the townlands of Gortlahárd, Coolnapoppoge and Barnastooka.</p>	<p>Permission was granted on the 25th November 2010.  <b>APPEAL WITHDRAWN.</b></p>

If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.

**Site notices will be on a yellow background as applications on this site have been made within the last 6 months - see application details above.**

***Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?***

Yes: [ ] No:[  ]

*If yes please specify*

*An Bord Pleanala Reference No.: \_\_\_\_\_*

## 9. Description of the Proposed Development

Brief description of nature and extent of development	<p><b>The proposed development will consist of the following:</b></p> <p>i) Construction of a wind farm comprising 38no. wind turbines and all associated foundations and hard standing areas. The wind turbines will have a hub height of up to 80 metres and a rotor diameter of up to 112 metres. The overall height of the structures (i.e. tip height) will be up to 126 metres.</p> <p>ii) All associated underground electrical and communications cabling.</p> <p>iii) Creation of new site entrance.</p> <p>iv) Creation of approximately 28km of access tracks, including a link track between the two previously consented wind farms as described below.</p> <p>v) Creation of borrow pits/material repositories.</p> <p>vi) Construction of 4no. new free standing meteorological masts up to 80m height.</p> <p>vii) Associated drainage systems.</p> <p>viii) Additional associated and ancillary developments required to facilitate the delivery of wind turbine components include:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Delivery Route 1: Installation of a temporary bridge traversing the Sullane River in Ballyvourney village (County Cork) - the bridge requires the creation of a temporary entrance from the N22 and from the L3400 (both within Ballyvourney village) and public road improvements at identified locations along the L3400 towards the site.</li> <li>• Delivery Route 2: Creation of approximately 500 metres of access track within existing Coillte lands in the townland of Coolknoohil (County Kerry) to link existing tracks located along this delivery route along with a realignment of existing Everwind site entrance with public road L3400.</li> </ul> <p>ix) A 10 year permission and a 25 year operational life from completion of entire wind farm are sought for the proposed development.</p> <p>This application represents a revision and amalgamation of the two existing planning permissions on the site as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Kerry County Council Reg. Ref. 10/0197 granted on 25<sup>th</sup> November 2010 – 10 year permission for 14 wind turbines and associated development.</li> <li>• Kerry County Council Reg. Ref. 10/1333 granted on 26<sup>th</sup> January 2012 – 10 year permission for 24 wind turbines and associated development.</li> </ul>
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**10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development.**

**Not Applicable**

<b>Class of Development:</b>	<b>Gross Floor Area in m<sup>2</sup></b>

**11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:**

**Not Applicable**

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m <sup>2</sup>	
Gross floor space of proposed works in m <sup>2</sup>	
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	
Gross floor space of any demolition in m <sup>2</sup> (if appropriate)	

**12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix.**

**Not Applicable**

<b>Number of</b>	<b>Studio</b>	<b>1 Bed</b>	<b>2 Bed</b>	<b>3 Bed</b>	<b>4 Bed</b>	<b>4 + Bed</b>	<b>Total</b>
Houses							
Apartments							
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:	Proposed:		Total:		

**13. Social and Affordable Housing.**

**Not Applicable**

<b>Please tick appropriate box:</b>	<b>Yes</b>	<b>No</b>
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		



If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must specify, as part of your application, the manner in which you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.

If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).

If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.

**14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:**

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought) <b>Existing Use: The main windfarm site is located in a rural area and lands are currently used for agricultural activities.</b>
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain) <b>Proposed Use: The lands at the main windfarm site will change to use primarily for renewable generation.</b>
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).  <b>The land type will remain similar but renewable energy generation take place on the lands with the installation of wind turbines and associated infrastructure dispersed throughout the site.</b>

**15. Development Details**

<b>Please tick appropriate box:</b>	<b>If answer is yes please give details</b>	<b>YES</b>	<b>NO</b>
<i>Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?</i>			✓
<i>Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and/or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and/or its curtilage?</i>			✓
<i>Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?</i>			✓
<i>Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.</i>			✓
<i>Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site (under S.I. No. 94 of 1997) or a Natural Heritage Area?</i>		✓ See EIS for details.	
<i>Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Statement?</i>		✓	

<i>Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?</i>		✓
<i>Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license</i>		✓
<i>Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?</i>		✓
<i>Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?</i>		✓
<i>Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?</i>		✓
<i>Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?</i>		✓

## 16. Services

<b>Proposed Source of Water Supply – NONE REQUIRED</b>
Existing connection: [ ] New Connection: [ ]
Public Mains: [ ] Group Water Scheme: [ ] Private Well:[ ]
Other (please specify): _____
Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): _____
<b>Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment: – NONE REQUIRED</b>
Existing: [ ] New:[ ]
Public Sewer: [ ] Conventional septic tank system: [ ]
Other on site treatment system: [ ] Please Specify: _____
<b>Proposed Surface Water Disposal:</b>
Public Sewer [ ] Drain:[ ] Soakpit:[ ]
Watercourse: [ ✓ ] Other: [ ✓ ] Please specify: _____
<b>Drainage control systems prior to disposal to watercourses.</b>

## 17. Notices

<p>Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication</p> <p><b>Irish Examiner – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015</b> <b>Kerrys Eye – 26<sup>th</sup> August 2015</b> <b>The Corkman – 27<sup>th</sup> August 2015</b></p> <p>Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No:[ <input type="checkbox"/> ]</p>
<p>Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection</p> <p><b>A total of 9 site notices have been erected in the vicinity of the site and along the delivery routes.</b></p> <p><b>The location of the site notices are shown on Drawing Reference: SITE NOTICES - LOCATION MAP &amp; CO-ORDINATES DRAWING NO. QR320171-X-0078</b> <b>Date of Erection of Site Notice: 10<sup>th</sup> September 2015</b></p> <p>Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No:[ <input type="checkbox"/> ]</p>
<p>Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website</p> <p><b>Project Website: <a href="http://www.grousemountwindfarm.ie">www.grousemountwindfarm.ie</a>.</b></p> <p><b>Additionally, local residents will be informed of the application.</b></p>

## 18. Pre-application Consultation:

<p><b><i>Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála</i></b></p> <p><b>19<sup>th</sup> August 2014, 1<sup>st</sup> October 2014 and 29<sup>th</sup> April 2014.</b></p>
<p>Schedule of any other pre application consultations – name of person/body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form.</p> <p>Enclosed: <b>Details of all pre-applications consultations, including those with prescribed bodies and the public and the methods of such consultation, are summarized in the Planning Report.</b></p> <p>Yes: [ <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> ] No:[ <input type="checkbox"/> ]</p> <p>Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification.</p>

Enclosed: **See Planning Documents Volume 1, Section 6.**

Yes: [  ] No:[  ]

**19. Application Fee.**

*Fee Payable*

**€100,000**

I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: *Geordan Allen*

Date: **1<sup>st</sup> September 2015**