

Planning

OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL: We, Portarlinton Golf Club c/o John Ryan, Hon Secretary c/o Niall Culleton, NKSE Architectural Studio, Cloncannon Lower, Mountmellick, County Laois, intend applying to the above Local Authority for: Retention & Permission for development on this site at: Portarlinton Golf Club, Garryhinch, Portarlinton, County Offaly. R32R622 The development will consist of: 1. Retention of 2.0m high timber fence forming a compound for the storage of members golf buggies. 2. Permission for the extension of the existing workshop/stores for the course maintenance. 3. Permission to extend the current balcony to the south of the existing clubhouse at 1st floor level. All of the above to include all associated siteworks. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee,€20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application. The planning authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL: We, Marie and June Slattery, intend to apply for permission for development at Clonmel

Lane, Clonbullogue, Co. Offaly. The development will consist of the construction of two new dwelling houses, two new effluent treatment systems and all associated site development works. The planning application may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Planning Authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee (€20) within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL: We, Robert and Kellyann Kilmartin, intend to apply for Planning Permission for a bungalow dwelling house, septic tank system with associated percolation area, garage, driveway, temporary mobile home accommodation which will be removed from the site upon the completion of the permanent dwelling house and all ancillary siteworks at Kilcoony, Cloneygowan, Co. Offaly. The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made to the authority in writing on payment of the prescribed fee within a period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application.

OFFALY COUNTY COUNCIL: We, Ballyteige Solar Limited, intend to apply for permission for development at this site: Derrygrogan Little and Derrygrogan Big, Tullamore, County Offaly.

The development consists of: Planning permission for a period of 10 years to construct and complete a Solar PV development (i.e. a relevant solar energy development as per the Renewable Energy Directive III) with a total site area of c. 28.1 hectares, to include solar PV ground mounted support structures, string inverters, transformer stations, electrical cabling and ducting, internal access tracks and hardstanding areas, perimeter fencing and access gate, CCTV, a temporary construction compound and other ancillary infrastructure including drainage, additional landscaping and habitat enhancement as required and associated site development works relating to the access of the site. The solar farm will be operational for 40 years in the townlands of Derrygrogan Little and Derrygrogan Big, Tullamore, Co. Offaly. A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has been submitted with this application.

This development is covered by the provisions of the Renewable Energy Directive III (Directive (EU) 2023/2413) and it is important to note that the planning application may be subject to section 34D of the Planning and Development Act 2000, as amended. When a notice issues in accordance with section 34D(b), the provisions of article 26A of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001 to 2025 shall apply.

The planning application and Natura Impact Statement may be inspected, or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the planning authority during its public opening hours. A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning authority on payment of the prescribed fee, €20, within the period of 5 weeks beginning on the date of receipt by the authority of the application, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the planning authority in making a decision on the application. The planning authority may grant permission subject to or without conditions, or may refuse to grant permission.

PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACTS 2000 (AS AMENDED)
Notice of Direct Planning Application to An Coimisiún Pleanála in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development, County Offaly.

In accordance with section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended) Ballyteige Solar Limited gives notice of its intention to make an application to An Coimisiún Pleanála for ten-year planning permission in relation to the following proposed development in the townlands of Ballyteige Little, Wood of O, Corndarragh, Derrynagall or Ballydaly, Ardan and Puttaghan, Co. Offaly.

The proposed development for which permission under Section 182A is being sought constitutes the following:

- A permanent 110kV Air Insulated Switchgear Substation consisting of:
 - 1 No. Compound (c.8733m2) consisting of; 3 No. work areas, CCTV, associated drainage enclosed in 2.6m high palisade fencing and gates;
 - 1 No. Eirgrid control building (c.440.15m2), 110kV bay arrangement, 4 No. lightning poles, compound road;
 - Crane hardstand, 2 No. transformers and 2 No. auxiliary transformers, 110kV electrical equipment and back-up generator;
 - 2 No. Independent Power Purchaser (IPP) control buildings (total 147.3m2) and compound including toilet;
 - 2No. grid code compliance equipment, 2No. harmonic filters, car parking and telecoms pole)
- Remaining associated infrastructure consists of:
 - perimeter fencing;
 - Access tracks (upgraded, existing and new);
 - Temporary construction compound and tracks
 - Temporary and permanent road re-alignment of a section of Wood of O local road;
 - c. 7.5km of underground 110kV cabling with joint bays on access track and local roads with associated horizontal directional drilling; and
 - c. 610m of medium voltage underground cabling trenching with associated horizontal directional drilling.
 - All associated and ancillary site development, excavation, construction, landscaping and reinstatement works and the provision of site drainage.

The site of the proposed development has a total area of 11.02 hectares. This application is a new 110kV Substation to connect into the existing Thornsberry Substation. The Substation is to facilitate the Ballyteige Solar Farm (PA Ref:2198), and the Derrygrogan Solar Farm (PA Ref:22378 and ABP 318041-23).

The applicant is seeking a ten-year permission from the date of consent of the 110kV Substation.

A Natura Impact Statement (NIS) has been prepared and accompany this planning application.

The planning application, and Natura Impact Statement (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 copy) during public opening hours for a period of seven weeks commencing on 29th January 2026 at the following locations:

- The Offices of An Coimisiún Pleanála, 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 D01 V902 (9:15am – 5:30pm, Monday to Friday).
- The offices of Offaly County Council, Planning Department, Charleville Road, Tullamore, Co. Offaly, R35 F893.

The application may also be viewed /downloaded on the following website: www.colehillsID110kv.ie Submissions or observations may be made only to An Coimisiún Pleanála (“the Commission”) 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online at www.pleanala.ie during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to:

- The implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development of the area concerned, and
- the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, if carried out, and
- the likely effects of the proposed development on a European site, if carried out.

Any submissions/observations must be accompanied by a fee of €50 (except for certain prescribed bodies) and must be received by An Coimisiún Pleanála not later than 5:30 p.m. on 19th March 2026 and must include the following information:

- the name of the person making the submission or observation, the name of the person acting on his or her 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 the submission or observation is based in full (Article 217 of the Planning and Development Regulations 2001, as amended, refers).

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Commission. The Commission may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application (refer to “A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development” at www.pleanala.ie).

The Commission may in respect of an application for permission decide to -

- grant the permission, or
- 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
- grant permission in respect of part of the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of the forgoing kind), and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or
- refuse to grant the permission

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Coimisiún Pleanála (Telephone: 01 8588100). A person may question the validity of any such decision of the Commission by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rule of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended by S.I. No 691 of 2011), 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 Commission Pleanála’s website <https://www.pleanala.ie/en-ie/home> or on the Citizens Information Service website, www.citizeninformation.ie

FROM THE ANNALS OF OFFALY



At an American Tea party in The Huntsman, Edenderry in aid of REHAB in 1992 were Rose Burke, David Burke, Julia Burke and Ann Bagnall.