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From:

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Sent:

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To:

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Subject:

DEVELOPMENT PLAN REVIEW

Dear Sir /Madam

I felt the need to write this mail in relation to the County Clare Development Plan.

The area that concerns me is the wind energy section and one area in particular, the Ballycar/Cappantymore/Gallows Hill Area.

To be clear and transparent I am living in the Cappantymore area. I am also a strong advocate of renewable energy and maintaining and minding the environment we live in.

With that in mind I don't believe the location mentioned above is any way suitable for the proposed wind farm. This is not some remote area of Clare, it has become a highly populated area over the last number of years. The proposed wind farm is far too close and intrusive to some of these houses many with young families. The effects of wind turbines on people's health is still debatable, but the nuisance effects of both noise and flicker are well proven at this stage. They are not healthy for humans to be putting up with on a continuous basis.

In relation to the Environment I also believe this rugged hillside with all the bird life and wild animal life that it supports should be treasured and minded not allowed to be developed for profit by developers.

Environmental impact reports are not the answer here, Clare county council should be looking at the bigger picture here and making decisions on what is actually the best decision for County Clare and the people that live in it and support it.

We should not let people or Developers chase profit under the guise of renewable energy concerns.

Let's be clear here this is about money not renewable energy.

I trust our local representatives as in Clare County Council will make the right decision based on what is right not based on what is topical at the time.

There are plenty of remote areas both on shore and off shore where these wind farms could be located.

With this in mind, I would ask you to review the suitability of this area as a strategic area for wind development.

We should not chase wind energy at all costs.

Thank you for allowing me this opportunity to air my views on this matter.

Regards and thanks

Jarlath Warde

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