



Cush Wind Farm
Phase II

Environmental Impact Assessment Report

Annex 1.4: Record of Pre- Planning Meeting (Design Flexibility)

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Meeting with Offaly County Council
Design Flexibility Meeting Minutes

Project	Cush Wind Farm – 3 Turbine Extension		
Client	Cush Wind Limited		
Meeting No.	2		
Location	Microsoft Teams		
Date	31 March 2026	Time	12:00pm – 12:30pm
Attendees	James Carville (JC)	Cush Wind Limited	
	Declan Owens (DO)	GES	
	Edward Kelly (EK)	Offaly County Council	
Prepared by	Declan Owens		
Agenda Item	Minutes		
1.0	Introductions <ul style="list-style-type: none">DO introduced himself and JC.		
2.0	Proposed Request – Design Flexibility <ul style="list-style-type: none">DO introduced the proposed development, set out its general location and the characteristics of the site, including land cover.DO referred to an earlier pre planning meeting held with Offaly County Council on the proposed development (February 2026) and that one of the items to come from that was the need for a second meeting re: Design Flexibility of the proposed wind turbine dimensions.DO advised that the proposed development would comprise an extension to the 8 turbine wind farm (Cush Wind Farm Phase I) permitted under ABP-318816-24.EK outlined an understanding of the earlier discussions albeit they were carried out with a colleague, as well as receipt of the request for a design flexibility opinion.		
3.0	Nature of the Request <ul style="list-style-type: none">DO set out that the request would be pertinent to the unconfirmed turbine dimension details.Do outlined the rationale for seeking unconfirmed turbine dimension details at this stage, as well as setting out the dimension range requested.		

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO referred to the drawings submitted with the request. • EK confirmed receipt of drawings and applicable documentation to assess the request.
4.0	Proposed Project <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO advised that whilst the proposed development, which will be submitted to OCC, will comprise 3 x turbines, the wider 'project' will include a proposed 110kv substation and grid connection (currently subject to a Pre-App Consultation request to the Commission). • DO set out that the project in its entirety would be assessed in the EIAR and that the current request relates only to the proposed wind turbines and the dimension range specified.
5.0	Emerging Design <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DO set out that a number of suitable turbine models would be suitable for the subject site – hence the requirement to obtain design flexibility. Electrical output to remain within 6.1mw – 7.2mw per turbine and thus outside of SID thresholds.
6.0	Proposed Next Steps <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • EK identified that the proposed request would be considered by Offaly County Council and provided they were happy with the request a confirmation would issue. • DO and JC outlined they were happy with that approach and that if anything further (information or clarification) was required they would be happy to assist.
7.0	Closing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • JC and DO thanked EK for facilitating the meeting and the meeting was brought to a close.