

# Addendum

## LA01/2017/0016/F

### Update

Further information was received by the agent on 25<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

The agent has made comments that the proposed wind turbine will provide less of a visual impact compared to established windfarms in the area.

As set out in paragraphs 8.11 and 8.12 of the Planning Committee report, the existing turbine, being smaller in scale is clearly distinct from the scale and appearance of surrounding turbines. The proposed turbine, by reason of its scale, will give the appearance of the windfarm spilling across the landscape and encroaching into the distinct landform.

The agent has also made comments that as there is an existing turbine on site and this is a replacement turbine there will be no greater visual impact. Paragraph 8.10 of the Planning Committee report outlines the critical views of the site, and that the particular design of the proposed turbine with long blades, will result in it appearing incongruous in the landscape.

The agent has advised that the applicant is willing to provide required reports in relation to noise impact and potential on bats. This is referred to in paragraphs 8.6 and 8.14 of the Planning Committee report.

The agent has made reference to two planning approvals for wind turbines at 244m West of 29 Drumbare Road, Cloughmills. These are associated with a large commercial complex comprising pig farm, mill business and approved wood to energy plant. This site is located approximately 4 ½ kilometres from the proposed site. These turbines are viewed in association with an established commercial use with a very different landscape context to the proposed turbine and are therefore not directly comparable.

## **Recommendation**

That the Committee notes the contents of the Addendum and agrees with the recommendation to refuse, as set out in paragraph 9.1 of the Planning Committee Report.