

## SITE NOTICE

**PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT ACT 2000 (AS AMENDED)**  
**NOTICE OF DIRECT PLANNING APPLICATION TO AN BORD PLEANALA IN RESPECT OF A STRATEGIC**  
**INFRASTRUCTURE DEVELOPMENT**  
**COUNTY LOUTH**

In accordance with section 182A of the Planning and Development Act 2000 (as amended), Strategic Power Projects Limited gives notice of its intention to make an application for permission to An Bord Pleanala in relation to the following proposed development:

Proposed 220kV substation, associated 220kV underground grid connection, cabling and associated works on a site of 1.8 hectares at Toomes and Monvallet, County Louth.

The proposed 220kV electrical substation will consist of:

- a) Internal section of access road to the sub-station buildings, compounds, parking, electrical apparatus, plant and equipment; overhead and underground electrical and communications cabling;
- b) 1 no IPP building (with satellite dish attached) measuring c9.9m x c19.3m x c8.0m (height), parking, compound and associated works;
- c) 1 no Eirgrid control building measuring c11.7m x c13.0m x c6.8m (height), house transformer (House TX), parking, compound and associated works;
- d) electrical apparatus, plant and equipment; overhead and underground electrical and communications cabling and associated works;
- e) 1 no interface kiosk;
- f) Fencing, gates, 3 no lightning masts and 7 no lamp standards; and
- g) All associated works.

The proposed underground cabling (220kV) and ducting will extend from the proposed substation site to the existing Louth (Monvallet) 275kv ESB substation site boundary on the opposite side of the L5141 local road.

The proposed development is in lieu of the 2 no. 37kV sub-stations permitted under planning permission ref: 21/631.

A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared in respect of the proposed development.

The permission sought is for a period of 10 years

The Planning Application and Natura Impact Statement 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 12 January 2023** at the following locations:

The Offices of An Bord Pleanala 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1.

The Offices of Louth County Council, County Hall, Crowe Street, Dundalk, County Louth.

The application may also be viewed/downloaded on the following website: <https://monvalletsolar.info>

Submissions or observations may be made only to An Bord Pleanala ('the Board') 64 Marlborough Street, Dublin 1 in writing or online at [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) during the above-mentioned period of seven weeks relating to -

- (i) the implications of the proposed development for proper planning and sustainable development, and
- (ii) the likely effects on the environment of the proposed development, and
- (iii) the likely significant 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 the Board not later than **5.30 p.m. on the 2 March 2023**. Such submissions/observations must also 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 refers).

Any submissions or observations which do not comply with the above requirements cannot be considered by the Board.

The Board may at its absolute discretion hold an oral hearing on the application. (For further details see 'A Guide to Public Participation in Strategic Infrastructure Development' on the Board's website [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie))

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

- (a) (i) approve the proposed development, or
- (ii) make such modifications to the proposed development as it specifies in its approval and grant permission in respect of the proposed development as so modified, or
- (iii) approve in part only, the proposed development (with or without specified modifications of it of the foregoing kind),

and any of the above decisions may be subject to or without conditions, or

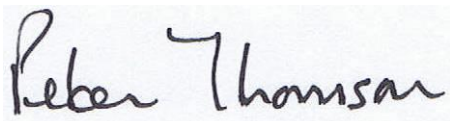
- (b) refuse to approve the proposed development.

Any enquiries relating to the application process should be directed to the Strategic Infrastructure Development Section of An Bord Pleanala (Tel. 01-8588100).

A person may question the validity of any such decision by the Board by way of an application for judicial review, under Order 84 of the Rules of the Superior Courts (S.I. No. 15 of 1986, as amended), in accordance with section 50 of the Planning and Development Act, 2000, as amended.

Practical information on the review mechanism can be accessed under the heading 'Information on cases/Weekly lists - Judicial review of planning decisions' on the Board's website [www.pleanala.ie](http://www.pleanala.ie) or on the Citizens Information Service website [www.citizensinformation.ie](http://www.citizensinformation.ie)

SIGNED:



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DATE OF ERECTION OF SITE NOTICE: **4 January 2023**