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**Re: Update on the Proposed Fahy Beg Wind Farm**

Dear Resident

We met with a number of you at the beginning of the Summer as we went through our first round of consultation in relation to the proposed Fahy Beg Project. I would like to thank you for your time and understanding as we went door to door, explaining the project and answering any questions you had.

At the last round of consultation, I said that we would be back to you when we had more information about the project. The team is reviewing the ecological surveys that are being compiled as part of the Environmental Impact Assessment Report (EIAR) and some engineering studies are ongoing. These surveys and studies will inform the proposed draft turbine locations, substation location and cable routes.

I will be back to you later in the year with the proposed locations of the turbines and associated infrastructure. We will again try to meet with you face to face, to talk you through this next stage of the process as soon as we can. A majority of the 68 households we met with, said that they preferred to meet face to face at their homes and as soon as possible, we will be doing our rounds again door to door.

The proposed Fahy Beg wind farm is critical to helping Ireland meet its renewable energy targets as laid down in the Climate Action Plan 2019. This Plan aims to reduce total carbon emissions by 51% by 2030 and to get to that figure, Ireland needs to have 70% of electricity generated by renewable energy and a phase out of coal and peat generation. Ireland needs to add 12GW of renewable energy onto the grid, from onshore and offshore wind and solar photovoltaic generation. We need the Fahy Beg wind farm and many more like it to displace thousands of tonnes of carbon dioxide over its lifetime. This will lead to cheaper electricity, energy security and help Ireland meet its challenging climate change and decarbonisation targets.

The project webpage [www.rwe.com/fahybeg](http://www.rwe.com/fahybeg) has been updated with the questions that have been asked during the consultation, such as questions about noise and shadow flicker. It also has sections with useful documents and more information about turbines, wind farms and other aspects of wind farm developments.

As ever, I would be delighted to hear from you as we progress through this engagement process. If you have any questions about the project at any stage, please feel free to contact me on my mobile **087 151 9219** or by email at [fahybeg@rwe.com](mailto:fahybeg@rwe.com). You can write to me at RWE Renewables Ireland Limited, Desart House, Lower New Street, Co. Kilkenny R95 H488.

Many thanks for your time and I look forward to meeting you in person in the near future.

Kind regards

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