

# BRACKLYN WIND FARM

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Dear Homeowner,

## **Community Consultation for proposed Bracklyn wind farm**

As you may already know, Galetch Energy Developments Ltd. are developing plans for a proposed wind farm in the townland of Bracklin, Co. Westmeath. The new Wind Farm development proposal will consist of 11 Turbines with a typical output of 5-6 megawatts per turbine, enough to provide around 46,900 households with green energy every year. A met mast will also be installed on site in the coming months to measure the wind resource.

Unfortunately due to the Covid-19 pandemic and in line with government guidance, we have cancelled all face-to-face consultations and door-to-door visits, until the restriction of movement has ended. We are committed however to keeping communities safe while still communicating with them about our proposed project.

As a result, the Bracklyn Windfarm project team is exploring every opportunity at this early design stage to continue with its engagement with the local community by providing information and answering questions using freepost, freephone and online services.

- We enclose a pre-paid envelope and comment card for you to send back to us with the option of requesting a follow-up telephone call or email reply from one of our team.
- We also include information flyer which provides project milestones and timelines for the project together with our draft proposed design lay out .
- We have a freephone number 1800140976, which you can dial free of charge to request a call back from the project team.
- We will post regular updates on our project website at [www.bracklynwindfarm.ie](http://www.bracklynwindfarm.ie) .

This project will create up to 100 jobs during the construction phase and will also provide a substantial community benefit fund each year to help support local community projects and households within a 2km radius. The substantial community fund will be administered in accordance with Irish Wind Energy Association (IWEA) best practice and grants will be made available after one year of wind farm operation.

Bracklyn wind farm will play it's part in assisting in Ireland's commitment to increase it's renewable energy sources in the post 2020 period, with the Government pledging to generate 70% of electricity from renewable sources by 2030 forming part of the new climate action plan.

We hope to post answers to the most commonly asked questions on the Bracklyn website over time and will keep it updated over time . An example of a question a lot of people have asked is when would we be submitting a planning application for the project ? That will not be until early 2021. We're at a very early design stage and want to continue to engage with the local community within the 2km radius of the proposed site and beyond.

Finally, we have also enclosed a colouring page for young children at home during these difficult times.

We look forward to hearing from you and answering any queries you may have and hopefully meet you all in the not to distant future when this Covid-19 pandemic is over.

Yours faithfully

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