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Application Form for Permission / Approval in respect of a Strategic Infrastructure Development

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Please specify the statutory provision under which your application is being made:	Section 182A Planning and Development Act 2000 as amended
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2. **Applicant:**

Name of Applicant:	Renewable Energy Systems Limited
Address:	Beaufort Court, Egg Farm Lane, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, WD4 8LR
Telephone No:	00 44 282 844 0602
Email Address (if any):	Rachel.buchanan@res-group.com

3. Where Applicant is a company (registered under the Companies Acts):

Name(s) of company director(s):	MB Anderson, JM Armitano, DJ Hearth, GA MacDougall, ID Hayes, GM McAlpine
Registered Address (of company)	Beaufort Court, Egg Farm Lane, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, WD4 8LR
Company Registration No.	1589961
Telephone No.	00 44 282 844 0602
Email Address (if any)	Rachel.buchanan@res-group.com

4. Person / Agent acting on behalf of the Applicant (if any):

Name:	Neo Environmental Ltd
Address:	83-85 Bridge Street, Ballymena, Co. Antrim, BT43 5EN
Telephone No.	00 44 282 565 0413
Mobile No. (if any)	00 44 77 0344 9581
Email address (if any)	colleen@neo-environmental.co.uk

Should all correspondence be sent to the above address? (Please tick appropriate box)

(Please note that if the answer is “No”, all correspondence will be sent to the Applicant’s address)

Yes: ☒ No: ☐

Contact Name and Contact Details (Phone number) for arranging entry on site if required / appropriate:

Name: Rachel Buchanan

Phone Number: 00 44 7557878214

Email Address: Rachel.buchanan@res-group.com

5. Person responsible for preparation of Drawings and Plans:

Name:	Francesco Ghergo
Firm / Company:	Renewable Energy Systems (RES) Ltd
Address:	Beaufort Court, Egg Farm Lane, Kings Langley, Hertfordshire, WD4 8LR
Telephone No:	00 44 282 844 0602
Mobile No:	As above
Email Address (if any):	Francesco.ghergo@res-group.com
Details all plans / drawings submitted – title of drawings / plans, scale and no. of copies submitted. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. Schedule of drawings submitted separately.	

6. Site:

Site Address / Location of the Proposed Development (as may best identify the land or structure in question)	Townlands of Coolshamroge, Ennis, Co. Clare	
Ordnance Survey Map Ref No. (and the Grid Reference where available)	IGR (ITM) X 539777 and Y 674345. OSI Sheet Numbers: 1:2,500: 4381 (B, D), 4382 (A, C) 1:5,000: 4381, 4382	
Where available, please provide the application site boundary, as shown in the submitted plans / drawings, as an ESRI shapefile in the Irish Transverse Mercator (ITM IRENET95) co-ordinate reference system. Alternatively, a CAD file in .dwg format, with all geometry referenced to ITM, may be provided.		
Area of site to which the application relates in hectares	1.53 ha	
Site zoning in current Development Plan for the area:	Current land use is agriculture, it isn't zoned in the County Development Plan	
Existing use of the site & proposed use of the site:	Existing use: Agricultural Land Proposed use: Agricultural and Electricity Transmission	
Name of the Planning Authority(s) in whose functional area the site is situated:	Clare County Council	

7. Legal Interest of Applicant in respect of the site the subject of the application:

Please tick appropriate box to show applicant's legal interest in the land or structure:	Owner	Occupier
	Other X	
Where legal interest is "Other", please expand further on your interest in the land or structure.		
Lease agreement in place between the landowner and the applicant – letter of consent has been attached as part of the application.		
If you are not the legal owner , please state the name and address of the owner and supply a letter from the owner of consent to make the application as listed in the accompanying documentation.		
Catherine Leyden Joseph Leyden Coolshamroge, Quin, Co. Clare		
Does the applicant own or have a beneficial interest in adjoining, abutting or adjacent lands? If so, identify the lands and state the interest.		
Lessee – Catherine & Joseph Leyden own Folio CE10167		

8. Site History:

Details regarding site history (if known):
<p>Has the site in question ever, to your knowledge, been flooded?</p> <p>Yes: [] No: [X]</p> <p>If yes, please give details e.g. year, extent:</p> <p>Are you aware of previous uses of the site e.g. dumping or quarrying?</p> <p>Yes: [] No: [X]</p> <p>If yes, please give details:</p>

Are you aware of any valid planning applications previously made in respect of this land / structure?		
Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>		
If yes, please state planning register reference number(s) of same if known and details of applications		
Reg. Ref. No:	Nature of Proposed Development	Nature of Final Decision of Application Grant of Refusal by Planning Authority / An Bord Pleanála
22586	Solar Farm Development	Final Grant by Clare County Council – 14/04/2023
If a valid planning application has been made in respect of this land or structure in the 6 months prior to the submission of this application, then any required site notice must be on a yellow background in accordance with Article 19(4) of the Planning and Development regulations 2001 as amended.		
Is the site of the proposal subject to a current appeal to An Bord Pleanála in respect of a similar development?		
Yes: <input type="checkbox"/> No: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
If yes please specify		
An Bord Pleanála Reference No.: _____		

9. Description of the Proposed Development:

Brief description of nature and extent of development	<p>Renewable Energy Systems (RES) Limited are applying for a 10 year planning permission for a new 110kV Substation to feed into the existing Drumline-Ennis 110kV overhead line (OHL) circuit. The Substation and 110kV loop in infrastructure is situated within lands at Coolshamroge, Ennis, Co. Clare. The Substation is to facilitate the Manusmore Solar Farm (PA Ref:20562), the Manusmore Solar Farm Extension (PA Ref:21915) and the Coolshamrock Solar Farm (PA Ref:22586). A Natura Impact Statement has been prepared in respect of the application for planning permission.</p>
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- 10. In the case of mixed development (e.g. residential, commercial, industrial, etc), please provide breakdown of the different classes of development and a breakdown of the gross floor area of each class of development:**

Class of Development:	Gross Floor Area in m²
Class 4 – Substation	12,767.56m²
Class 13 – Full Site Area	15,297.1173m²

11. Where the application relates to a building or buildings:

Gross floor space of any existing buildings(s) in m ²	N/A
Gross floor space of proposed works in m ²	Substation Building – 12,767.56m ²
Gross floor space of work to be retained in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A
Gross floor space of any demolition in m ² (if appropriate)	N/A

12. In the case of residential development please provide breakdown of residential mix:

Number of	Studio	1 Bed	2 Bed	3 Bed	4 Bed	4 + Bed	Total
Houses	N/A						
Apartments	N/A						
Number of car-parking spaces to be provided		Existing:	Proposed:			Total:	

13. Social Housing:

Please tick appropriate box:	Yes	No
<i>Is the application an application for permission for development to which Part V of the Planning and Development Act 2000 applies?</i>		X
<p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” and the development is not exempt (see below), you must provide, as part of your application, details as to how you propose to comply with section 96 of Part V of the Act.</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “yes” but you consider the development to be exempt by virtue of section 97 of the Planning and Development Act 2000, a copy of the Certificate of Exemption under section 97 must be submitted (or, where an application for a certificate of exemption has been made but has not yet been decided, a copy of the application should be submitted).</p> <p>If the answer to the above question is “no” by virtue of section 96 (13) of the Planning and Development Act 2000, details indicating the basis on which section 96 (13) is considered to apply to the development should be submitted.</p>		

14. Where the application refers to a material change of use of any land or structure or the retention of such a material change of use:

Existing use (or previous use where retention permission is sought)
N/A
Proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain)
N/A
Nature and extent of any such proposed use (or use it is proposed to retain).
N/A

15. Development Details:

Please tick appropriate box:	If answer is yes please give details	YES	NO
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of a Protected Structure(s), in whole or in part?			X
Does the proposed development consist of work to a protected structure and / or its curtilage or proposed protected structure and / or its curtilage?			X
Does the proposed development consist of work to the exterior of a structure which is located within an architectural conservation area (ACA)?			X
Does the application relate to development which affects or is close to a monument or place recorded under section 12 of the National Monuments (Amendment) Act, 1994.			X
Does the application relate to work within or close to a European Site or a Natural Heritage Area?			X
Does the development require the preparation of a Natura Impact Statement?		X	
Does the proposed development require the preparation of an Environmental Impact Assessment Report?			X
Do you consider that the proposed development is likely to have significant effects on the environment in a transboundary state?			X
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring an integrated pollution prevention and control license			X
Does the application relate to a development which comprises or is for the purpose of an activity requiring a waste license?			X
Do the Major Accident Regulations apply to the proposed development?			X
Does the application relate to a development in a Strategic Development Zone?			X
Does the proposed development involve the demolition of any habitable house?			X

16. Services:

Proposed Source of Water Supply:
Existing connection: <input type="checkbox"/> New Connection: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Mains: <input type="checkbox"/> Group Water Scheme: <input type="checkbox"/> Private Well: <input type="checkbox"/> Other (please specify): N/A Name of Group Water Scheme (where applicable): N/A
Proposed Wastewater Management / Treatment:
Existing: <input type="checkbox"/> New: <input type="checkbox"/> Public Sewer: <input type="checkbox"/> Conventional septic tank system: <input type="checkbox"/> Other on site treatment system: <input type="checkbox"/> Please Specify: Not required – wastewater will not be generated from the proposed development.
Proposed Surface Water Disposal:
Public Sewer / Drain: <input type="checkbox"/> Soakpit: <input type="checkbox"/> Watercourse: <input type="checkbox"/> Other: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> Please specify: Soakaway pit

17. Notices:

Details of public newspaper notice – paper(s) and date of publication
Copy of page(s) of relevant newspaper enclosed Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/> <ul style="list-style-type: none">- (National) The Irish Examiner (20.10.2023)- (Local) The Clare Champion (20.10.2023)
Details of site notice, if any, - location and date of erection
Copy of site notice enclosed Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/> Site Notice (27.10.2023)
Details of other forms of public notification, if appropriate e.g. website
https://www.coolshamrocksid.ie

18. Pre-application Consultation:

Date(s) of statutory pre-application consultations with An Bord Pleanála
Schedule of any other pre application consultations –name of person / body and date of consultation to be provided as appropriate and also details of any general public consultations i.e. methods, dates, venues etc. This can be submitted as a separate schedule with the application form. Enclosed: Document entitled: ‘Schedule of Pre-Application Consultation’ Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/> Schedule of prescribed bodies to whom notification of the making of the application has been sent and a sample copy of such notification. Enclosed: Document entitled: ‘Notification to Prescribed Bodies’ Yes: <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> No: <input type="checkbox"/>

19. Confirmation Notice:

Copy of Confirmation Notice
Attach a copy of the confirmation notice in relation to the EIA Portal where an EIAR accompanies the application. N/A

20. Application Fee:

Fee Payable	€100,000.00 EFT Reference 'Coolshamrock 110kV – SID Application'
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I hereby declare that, to the best of my knowledge and belief, the information given in this form is correct and accurate and that the application documents being deposited at the planning authority offices, and any other location specified by the Board in pre application consultations, including a website (if any) will be identical to the application documents being deposited with the Board.

Signed: (Applicant or Agent as appropriate)	 Colleen Patterson BSc MSc Senior Planning Consultant Neo Environmental Ltd Agent acting on behalf of the applicant
Date:	25.10.2023

General Guidance Note:

The range and format of material required to be compiled / submitted with any application in respect of a proposed strategic infrastructure development shall generally accord with the requirements for a planning application as set out in the Planning and Development Regulations, 2001 to 2018 and those Regulations should therefore be consulted prior to submission of any application.

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