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**To:** National Planning Framework **Subject:** RE: Ireland Our Plan 2040...

Dear Minister,

When considering Ireland Our Plan 2040 please acknowledge the fact that we are heading down the same old road of developers or energy companies making government policy. We have enough on shore wind farms destroying our country and we need to diversify our energy production into solar, tidal and off shore. When it comes to off shore wind, we can be world leaders considering we have the Atlantic ocean on our west coast. The current height and setback distances of 169m wind turbines being allowed to be built 500m from houses is a national disgrace and something future generations will consider insane. Please do not let the wind companies take the easy option and cover our beautiful country with 169m turbines, taking our subsidises and selling the wind farm to make even more profit, all in the name of saving our planet. What is the point of saving the world environment in order to lose our own.

Richard O'Donoghue.