

#### Oweninny Wind Farm: A Case Study in Project Delivery

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#### Phase 1 Project Partners







# Phase 1 Project Finance









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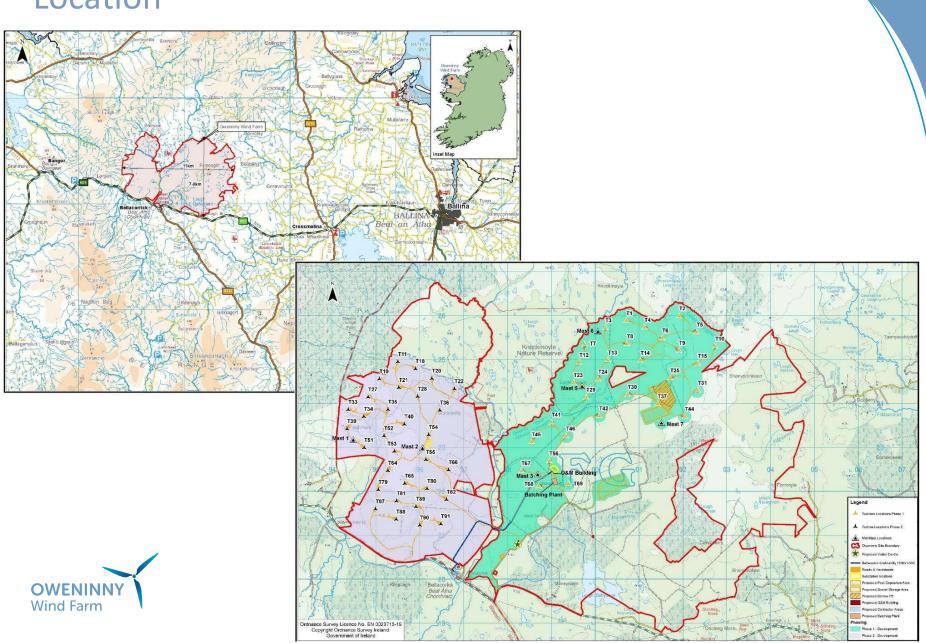


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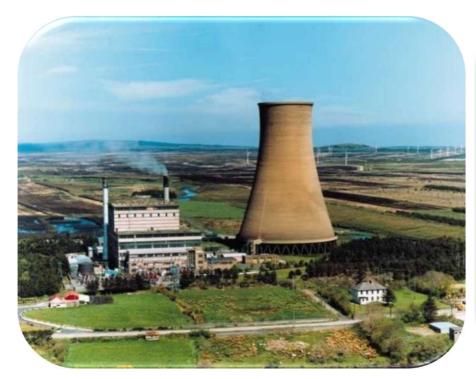




# Location



# **Oweninny History**



Bellacorick Power Station (1963 to 2005)

40MW Output



Bellacorick Wind Farm (1992 – Present)

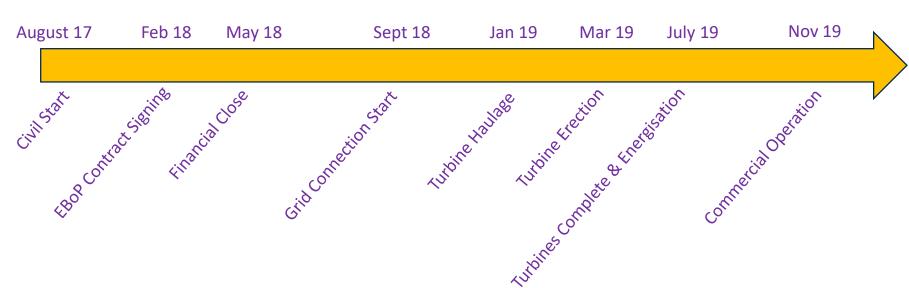
21 turbines, 6.45MW, c. 0.3MW per turbine





#### Phase 1 Project Details

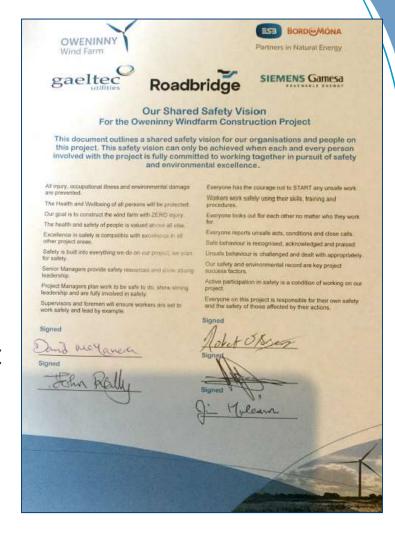
- Phase 1 89MW, 172MW with Ph2
- 22nr piled / 7nr gravity foundations
- 29 x 3.2MW Siemens Gamesa DD
- 176m tip height
- 2.5 year main construction period





## **Key Considerations & Success Factors**

- Designing with safety in mind
- Building the right culture
- Project Partner collaboration
- Identifying major challenges
- Adaptability on a challenging project







### Safety – What We Tried

- Mental Health Supports
- Safety Stand Downs
- Road Safety Authority site and community

Real engagement from everyone on site

- Everyone was empowered to say stop
- No such thing as a stupid question
- Good catch
- Close call





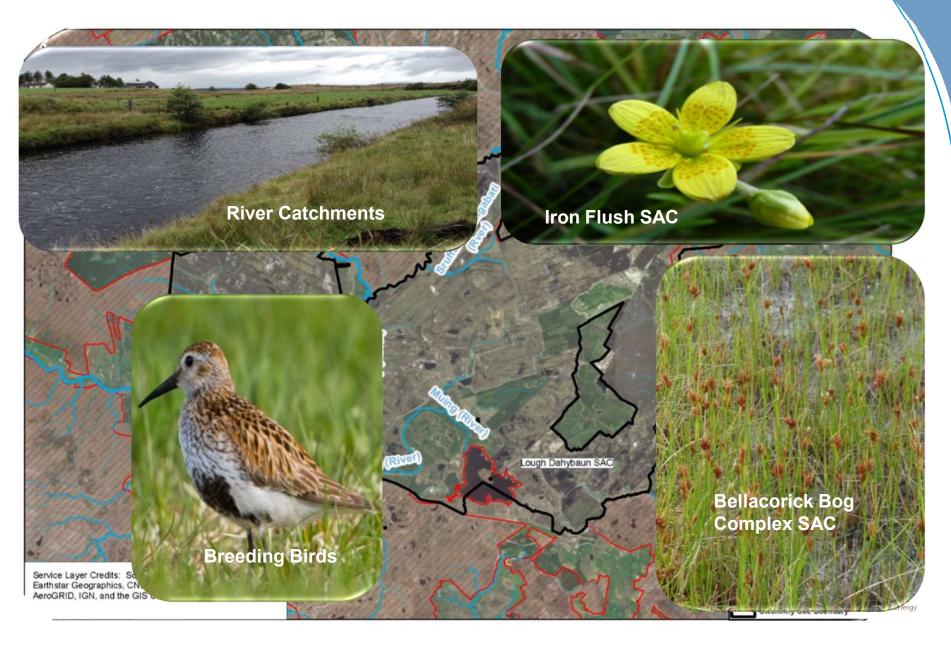




#### The Stats



# Key Environmental Management Challenges



# Project Delivery – Civil Works

- Physical Indicators
- Stakeholder Management
- Behavioural Safety
- Local Employment
- 900 mitigation measures in the EIS
  - In-house capability
  - Project Monitoring Committee
  - Transparency with Stakeholders







## Project Delivery – Grid Connection

- Scope of Works
- Characteristics
  - Bog
  - Private lands
  - Not in public roadway
- Bespoke Design
- Programme
- Co-operation & Collaboration
- Adaptability









# **Project Delivery - Turbines**

- Challenging route
- Parking in Ballisodare, Ballina & Crossmolina
- Stakeholders
  - Mayo County Council
  - Residents
  - Garda
- Blade orientation
- Site Layout
- Erection Methodology







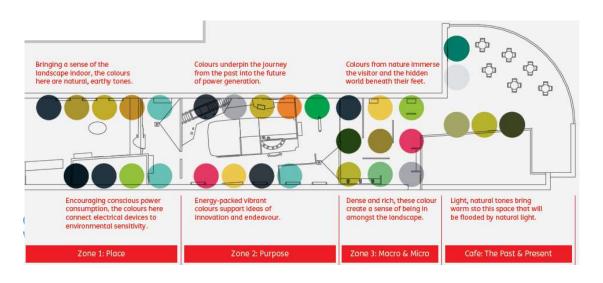


### **Oweninny Visitor Centre**

- Proposed at planning stage
- €3m investment
- Renewable energy advocacy hub



- Links with development of Western Way & NPWS
- Enhance North Mayo





#### Community

- Challenge
- Door to door
- Community Benefit Funding,
- Administration by Mayo County Council in conjunction with Oweninny Power
- Phase 2 / RESS level of additional funding





Large Number Of Local Community Groups To Benefit From Oweninny Community Benefit Fund Allocations



Mayo County Council and Oweninny Power Designated Activity Company Ltd. are pleased to announce the allocation of approx. €200,000 to local community groups from North Mayo. The funding comes as a result of a benefit fund to the local communities from the Oweninny Windfarm. The allocations follow extensive



#### **Considerate Construction Awards 2019**

- Recognise achievements in the advancement of the considerate construction ethos
- Demonstrates the importance on respecting and caring for the environment, colleagues and local communities



### IWEA Project of the Year 2020













#### Lessons Learned

- Nothing happens without people
  - One team
  - Human approach
  - Common goal
  - Mindset
  - Co-operation
- Watch out for one another
- Try new things and keep trying
- Adaptability

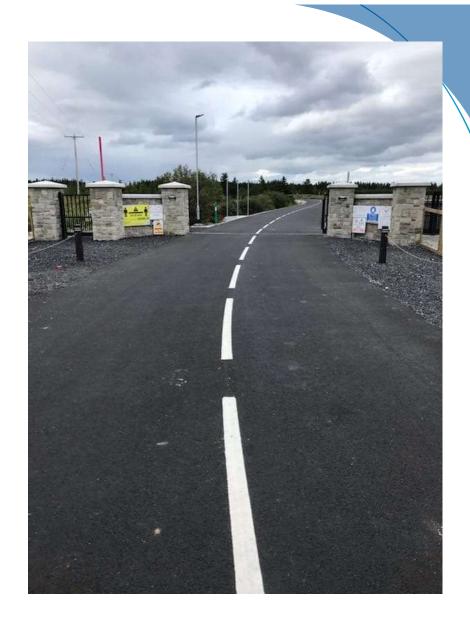






# Phase 1 Complete

- Safely
- Great facility
- Pride
- All still talking
- Laid foundation for Phase 2









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# Questions