

## **An Coimisiún Pleanála**

**RE:** Proposed Cahermurphy Grid Connection

**Application:** 324156-26

I want to object to the proposed Cahermurphy grid line.

After trying to go through the application documents, my main concern is that too many important details still seem undecided. A lot of the route and infrastructure is described as “indicative” or subject to change later depending on site conditions. I do not think the public should be asked to accept a project where the final details are still unclear.

I am also very concerned about the impact on local people and landowners. There does not seem to be clear information on how properties, drainage, access, future building plans or farmland may be affected long term. Many people still do not know exactly what will end up being built near their homes or on their land.

The amount of disruption during construction also seems to be downplayed. The documents mention road closures, diversions, trenching, drilling under roads and rivers, and months of works along local roads, but there is no clear explanation of how this will realistically affect daily life for residents, farmers, school traffic and emergency access.

Another concern is the number of rivers, streams and flood-prone areas along the route. The application more or less argues that because the cable is underground there is little risk, but that does not make sense given the scale of excavation and construction involved.

I am also worried about the impact on local heritage and archaeology. The documents identify protected heritage sites and recorded monuments close to the route, but the approach seems to focus on monitoring damage rather than avoiding it where possible.

Overall, I do not believe enough clear and reliable information has been provided for this project to be properly assessed, and I respectfully ask that permission be refused or that much more detailed information be required before any decision is made.

Respectfully,  
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