

Mayo Abbey must be assessed as one connected historic landscape

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Re: Observation on the proposed Cloonbaul 110 kV substation and grid connection

ACP Case: VA16.324429 | Applicant: Cunlaghfadda Green Energy Limited

Dear Sir/Madam,

I object because the assessment divides a highly significant historic landscape into narrow study areas and individual receptors.

The wider project material records 94 archaeological sites or site groups within five kilometres and 46 previously unrecorded cultural heritage features within two kilometres. Mayo Abbey's importance arises from the relationships between settlement, ritual, burial, farming, routeways, topography and the early Christian ecclesiastical centre.

A substation, cable route, access works and security compound would add permanent industrial infrastructure to that connected landscape. The Commission should assess the overall transformation, not only the distance from each recorded point, and should refuse permission.

Yours faithfully,

Declan Joyce