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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 excavation after permission would not preserve the archaeological site; it would permanently remove it.

Preservation by record is a last resort. Drawings, photographs and reports cannot retain the physical relationship between an enclosure, its internal features, the surrounding landform and other sites in the Mayo Abbey landscape. Future archaeological methods may also reveal information that cannot be recovered today.

A permanent substation should not be placed where important archaeology must be excavated to accommodate it. The proper planning response is avoidance through refusal and selection of a less sensitive location.

Yours faithfully,

Padraic Carney