

Proposed Clashavoon - Dunmanway Electrical Reinforcement Scheme Public Consultation

EirGrid is the state-owned, independent electricity Transmission System Operator and Market Operator in Ireland. It is EirGrid's role to develop quality connection, transmission and market services to electricity generators, suppliers and customers utilising the high-voltage electricity system.

In this capacity, it is proposing a new 110kV electricity circuit to connect the existing Clashavoon substation, which is located north-east of Macroom, and Dunmanway electricity substation, which is located on the outskirts of Dunmanway. Detailed information about the proposed infrastructure is available on www.eirgridprojects.com.

It is vital that new electricity infrastructure is built to ensure that the region meets the standards required of a safe and secure electricity system and to utilise the South West region's rich renewable energy resources.

The first phase of public consultation for this proposed development took place on 29th and 30th June 2010 in the Castle Hotel, Macroom. Since then, potential route corridors have been identified and an emerging preferred route corridor has been identified by consultants. The second phase of public consultation took place on the 13th of October 2010 at the Castle Hotel, Macroom.

Members of the public are invited to the third round of Public Consultation, being held on Monday the 9th of May at the Castle Hotel, Macroom, between 10.30am and 8.00pm.

There, they can view the route corridors identified, the emerging preferred route corridor and provide submissions, comments, information or queries in relation to the proposed developments.

Closing date for submissions is 27/05/2011 at 5.00pm. Feedback regarding the project can be submitted by email, letter or telephone as detailed below. EirGrid is committed to ensuring that all work will be undertaken in a safe and environmentally responsible manner and in co-operation with the local community.

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