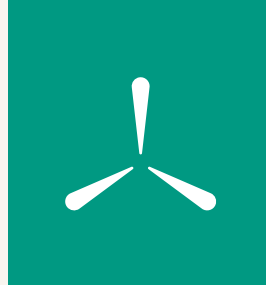
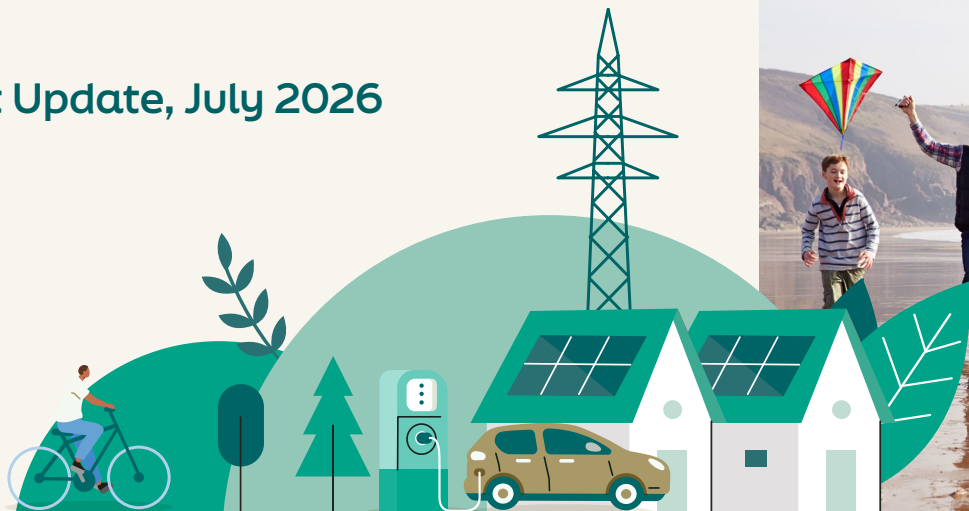




Powering Up Offshore South Coast

Project Update, July 2026



Project overview

'Powering Up Offshore – South Coast' (PUOSC) is EirGrid's programme to build the new transmission grid infrastructure needed to bring the power generated by offshore windfarms on the south coast, into our national grid.

This programme will enable homes and businesses across the Irish coast and beyond, to use electricity generated from offshore renewable energy. It will help us meet the growing demand for electricity, without increasing our carbon footprint.

The programme will also help strengthen the economy across coastal regions, encouraging and supporting industry investment with accessibility to a strong electricity grid.



Survey Information Campaign Recap March - April

As detailed in our [March project update](#), EirGrid began Phase 2 of PUOSC'S marine and landfall surveys in April 2026, to help inform us about suitable marine and landfall cable routes. These surveys are a critical step in the project's development.

Prior to the commencement of this phase, EirGrid's public engagement team conducted a wide range of engagements across the project areas to provide information about the upcoming surveys and to answer any queries from stakeholders. We visited towns in Cork, Wexford and Waterford with EirGrid's mobile information unit. Our fisheries liaison officer also facilitated in-person fisheries

meetings in Dunmore East, Helvick Head, Fethard-on-Sea and Ballycotton during March, where he was supported by key members of the PUOSC project team.

The survey information campaign concluded on April 23rd with a webinar presentation and Q&A, with panellists from EirGrid's public engagement and project teams. If you were unable to attend the webinar, the recording can be found [here](#). Likewise, if you would like any additional information, or to chat with one of the public engagement team, contact details can be found at the end of this update.



Eoghan O'Sullivan, Ronan Lynch and Michelle Walsh of EirGrid's public engagement team with the mobile information unit at Tramore in April 2026



EirGrid's Fisheries Liaison Officer, Ronan Lynch at a fisheries meeting in Dunmore East on April 10th 2026

Progress update on marine and landfall surveys

Current situation

In our [March project update](#), we noted that the 2026 Phase 2 marine and landfall surveys would be focused on the areas around Landfalls C (Garryvoe Lower, Ballybutler and Ballycrenane in County Cork) and F (within the townlands of Bannow in County Wexford) – two areas that had performed strongly in previous assessments. The data from these surveys is used to inform emerging best performing offshore and landfall cable routes.

Next steps

Marine geotechnical surveys will commence in July, near Landfall C and in August, near Landfall F. During these periods a jack-up barge will be visible from the beach. This is a stable working platform used at sea: once in position, geotechnical surveys are carried out in the area beneath the raised barge. The information collected helps us understand the seabed conditions, to inform the design process.

Landfall geotechnical surveys will commence on private lands in August and our Agricultural Liaison Officer is engaging with anyone impacted by these works.

Inland surveys

EirGrid is currently looking at the most suitable areas where the project could connect to the electricity grid. We are also considering possible underground cable route corridors from the proposed landfall points to these connection areas. Over the coming months, EirGrid will carry out non-intrusive walkover surveys in the areas identified in our March update as the most suitable connection zones. Similar surveys will also take place in public areas between the proposed landfall points and these zones. We will share more information on the exact locations in our next update.

Tonn Nua Offshore Wind Farm

Tonn Nua have recently launched their project website www.tonnnua.ie. Here you will find further details of their plans and timelines, along with an FAQ section.

Alternatively, if you would like to get in touch with one of the Tonn Nua team, please see below for details

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Community Update

Community Forum

We have now engaged an independent facilitator to chair the EirGrid Powering Up Offshore – South Coast community forum. As the project is across Cork and Wexford/Waterford, there will be 2 community forums.

From planning and design through to construction and the delivery of community benefit funding, these forums play a central role in maintaining a strong, two-way communication channel between community representatives and EirGrid.

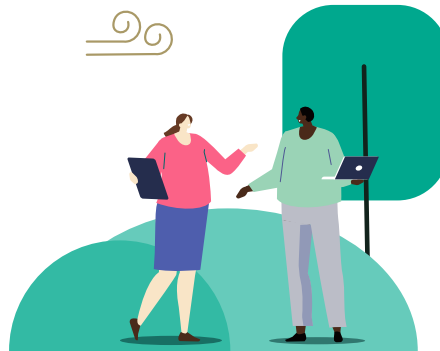
To register an expression of interest for your community or organisation group please scan the QR code or click [here](#).

Supporting Local Communities

EirGrid are proud to support local communities across a range of sponsorships on the South Coast. Most recently we sponsored the RNLI Dunmore East Open Water Swim on May 24th for the 3rd year in a row. EirGrid's sponsorship of RNLI events on the south coast of Ireland provides valuable support that extends beyond financial contribution. EirGrid's involvement helps the RNLI raise essential funds that directly support volunteer lifeboat crews, lifesaving equipment, training, and water safety initiatives. Sponsorship of fundraising events enables the RNLI to engage with local communities while increasing awareness of its lifesaving mission.



Community Forum
Expression of Interest



RNLI Dunmore East Open Water Swim 2026



The EirGrid Engagement Team on the South Coast are:

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