

Pylons planned along the length of Wales

The Community Council have learned that National Grid plans to build a double line of 50m pylons from Bangor to Swansea and it is one of several plans to build pylons all over Wales. The line is planned to run close to Dolgellau and Machynlleth which would completely alter the landscape of our local area. Originally it was planned for the energy to be delivered under the sea from Ynys Mon to Pembroke, but in the Transmission Acceleration Plan (TAAP) in November 2023, it was decided that pylons would be preferable as it would be quicker and cheaper. This would completely destroy our beautiful landscape. Wales is a net exporter of energy, generating twice as much as it uses, so these pylons will deliver little, if any, benefit to Wales.

The plans to build pylons are being handled by Bute Energy, SP energy and National Grid, all of whom are private firms likely to make a substantial profit. There is a report by ESO, which claims to be independent, but is in fact part of National Grid, that shows the intended changes to the Energy Network and can be seen here: <https://www.nationalgrideso.com/future-energy/beyond-2030> These plans are being opposed by the Campaign for the Protection of Rural Wales and Kathy Gale is putting together a campaign for objecting to the pylons, so if you would like to be involved, please contact her on kathy.gale@galeandco.co.uk or contact the clerk. A similar campaign is already underway in the Towy Valley (<https://nopylons.wales>) and Kathy hopes to link up with this group to make it a Wales-wide campaign. The Community Council will be working with Kathy on this campaign and we hope you will help us fight to have the energy transferred sub-sea as originally planned.

June 2024

20mph feedback

The Welsh Government and Gwynedd Council are keen to hear from everyone about how the 20mph rules are working. Do you think they should stay as they are in Aberdyfi or do you think they should be changed? Feedback forms can be found in the Reading Room at the Institute, Post Office and the Neuadd Dyfi. You can also give feedback online: <https://www.gov.wales/give-feedback-roads-20mph-speed-limit>.

It would be great to give Gwynedd the views of as many people as possible, so please add your name to the list on the forms. The forms will not be sent to Gwynedd Council – we will summarise the information and send the summary. Forms will be available until 12th July.

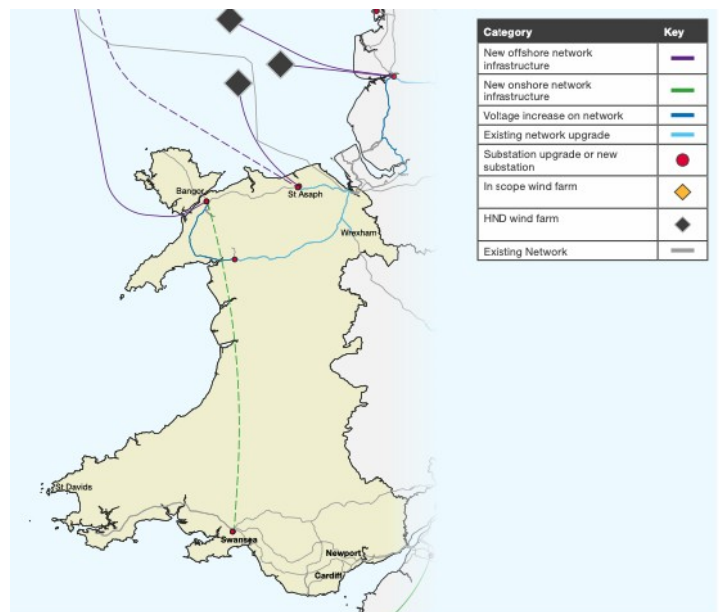


Figure 19. Map of all reinforcements in the Wales region

*Dashed lines represent low maturity options
 Note: all routes and options shown on this map are for illustrative purposes only





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Dates & Information

RNLI Service

On Sunday 14th July, appropriately Sea Sunday, there will be a special service in St Peter's Church Aberdyfi to celebrate 200 years of the RNLI. The service will be led by Archbishop Andy, Archbishop of Wales. We are honoured to hold this service to give thanks for the RNLI locally and nationally. We look forward to welcoming you Sunday 14th July, 11.15am at St Peter's.

Voting Rules for 4th July

Wales has now decided to use the same rules as England for identification purposes for anyone wishing to vote at elections. All those wishing to vote in person will need to have some form of visual identity to present at the time of voting. Examples of the accepted forms of identity are a passport, driving licence or a bus pass with photo. If you don't have any of these then you may apply to the Electoral Services Team, Gwynedd Council for a Voter Authority Certificate (free of charge) providing you are registered to vote. This application needs to be made before the election and a deadline of 5 p.m., 6 working days before the election has been set.

No ID – No vote!

Reporting problems

A reminder that if you spot any problems and need to report them, you need to make sure you give an accurate location and the best way to do this is with What3Words, or if this is not possible, take a photo with identifying features in the background so it is easy to pinpoint the location.

<https://what3words.com/how-to-use-the-what3words-app>

Dates for your diary

17 August Tywyn Race the Train
18 August Aberdyfi Food Festival
20 August Circus Raj at the Neuadd Dyfi
24-26 August Aberdyfi Fun Fest

Rushlight mailing list

If you would like to receive Rushlight direct by email, please contact the Clerk. We are trying to cut down on the amount of printing and paper we use to help the environment, so by signing up to receive it electronically, you can help the environment too!

Thank you to our fabulous volunteers!

Once again our village is looking fabulous with all the areas of planting and the Community Council would like to say a HUGE thank you to everyone involved. We have had some lovely feedback from visitors and even Gwynedd Council board members! We understand that it is possible to adopt train stations in order to improve them with planters etc and we are keen to hear from anyone who would like to take this on, with support from the Council. Please contact the clerk if interested.

Arts Society Annual Exhibition

The annual exhibition of Aberdyfi Arts Society starts on Wednesday 31st July and ends on Wednesday 7th August at the Neuadd Dyfi, 10am to 5pm

Useful contacts

Tywyn Health Centre: 03000 843 200

MIND helpline: 0300 123 3393, info@mind.org.uk Samaritans: 116 123, jo@samaritans.org

Non-emergency police: 101 NHS Advice and Out of Hours: 111

Community Council: 01654 767816

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