

Statement on the Preservation of Amenity and Fisheries

NIE Networks acknowledges its obligations under the Electricity (Northern Ireland) Order 1992 to prepare a statement of the manner in which it intends to meet the requirements of Schedule 9 to this Order.

In fulfilment of these requirements NIE Networks will have regard to:

- (a) The conservation of the natural beauty and amenity of the countryside,
- (b) The protection of its flora and fauna,
- (c) The protection of its geological and physiographical features, and
- (d) The protection of sites, buildings and objects of architectural, historical, and archaeological importance.

NIE Networks will take these considerations into account for all relevant developments.

In planning and carrying out these projects NIE Networks will, where appropriate, consult with all relevant bodies. NIE Networks will involve them at an early stage and will ensure that measures agreed during these consultations are incorporated in the planning, construction, and operation of the projects.



This will particularly include the Department of Agriculture, Environment and Rural Affairs (DAERA), and the Loughs Agency. NIE Networks will also meet periodically with these bodies to discuss general environmental issues related to its activities and to establish constructive dialogue on major amenity issues.

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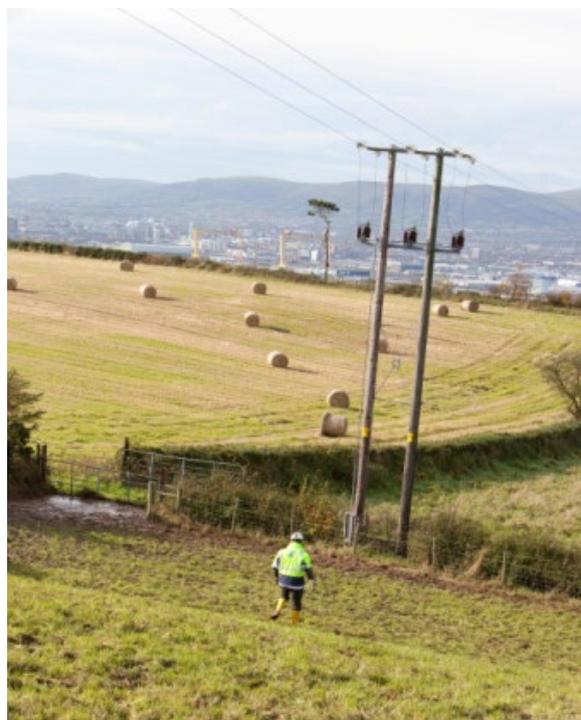


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Where the activities of NIE Networks have any effect on the environment, NIE Networks will do what it reasonably can to mitigate such effects. This will include assessment of potential effects at the planning stage and, where appropriate, the production of an environmental statement for major projects. Execution of projects and management of operational sites will be carried out in an environmentally sensitive manner so far as is reasonably practicable.

NIE Networks will ensure that it has access to relevant expertise and will promote awareness of the need to preserve amenity within the Company. Where contractors are employed, they will be required to comply with statutory obligations and with NIE Networks standards.

NIE Networks recognises the importance of environmental matters to Northern Ireland and the need to carry out all its activities in an environmentally responsible way. It has therefore developed a comprehensive Environmental Policy and Statement.



This Statement on the Preservation of Amenity and Fisheries forms part of the overall policy. It will be reviewed from time to time and, if required, amended.

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