

APPENDIX F.4

PHOTOGRAPHS – CABLE ROUTE



Plate 1. The cable will be laid almost entirely within existing roads and tracks (BL3). Roads are typically edged by grass verges (GS2). View is along road just south of Ballyvouskill substation, looking south-westwards.



Plate 2. Grassland, varying from improved (GA1) to wet, rushy grassland (GS4) is widespread within the route corridor. View is at eastern end of corridor at location for Joint Bay no. 3 (within road carriageway). SPA is to south of road (right hand side of picture).



Plate 3. Further example of typical road and grassland verge, with improved grassland alongside road. This section of route corridor is within the SPA at Garranecarney.



Plate 4. A substantial part of the route corridor is through conifer plantations (WD4). In this photograph (which is within the SPA) afforestation occurs to both sides of the road.



Plate 5. Low, deciduous woodland (WN) and scrub (WS1), often interspersed by heath (HH), is a feature of the route corridor, especially along the section between Coolea and The Coom.



Plate 6. Rhododendron is frequent and often abundant (as shown in photograph) in woodland and heath habitats in the westernmost section of the route corridor.



Plate 7. Heath (HH), mostly dry (HH1) but also wet (HH3) in places, is frequent along the route corridor. Scrub and exposed rock are often associated with the heath. View is of stretch just east of The Coom.



Plate 8. Wet woodland occurs in places along the course of the Sullane River between Ballyvourney and Coolea. This woodland is of conservation value.



Plate 9. View of stand of Japanese Knotweed (dead stalks shown in November), a highly invasive, alien species. Location is just west of Joint Bay no. 20.