

Consultation

Review of the siting process for a GDF

1. Public confidence in the project I believe would need a clear test of public opinion by way of a local referendum prior to an initial 'Expression of Interest' and again prior to the point of 'Loss of Right to Withdrawal'
2. I find it difficult to understand how communities throughout the Country are considered eligible for consideration. Surely, previous early geological considerations, as by Nirex, will have identified those areas worthy of further investigation ?
3. Despite hints of potential community benefit through additional expenditure on schools and better employment opportunities, the idea of further housing estates and infrastructure works are more likely to be seen as dis-benefits in most communities. The prospect of more substantial benefit, for example half price electricity during the life of the project paid for by the industry would probably elicit more potential candidate communities

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