



NATIONAL PARK / AONB REQUEST FOR NETWORK ALTERATION



The following application form should be used to request the alteration to the supply network associated with Ofgem criteria to improve amenity within National Parks / AONB's.

National Park / AONB	
Name of Requestor	
Title	
Contact Number	
Contact Address	
Date	

Line Identification

(Please be as accurate as possible)

Nearest settlement	
County	
Between National Grid References (at least 6-figures)	
Brief route description	

PART A – LINE CHARACTERISTICS AND SETTING

A1 Importance of the Area (This should be available from mapping prior to field survey)

Select all designations applicable to the line (Please mark X)

	Max available score
World Heritage Site	3
Heritage Coast	2
Natural Nature Reserve, Special Protection Areas, SAC or SSSI	2
SAM or SMR	2
Listed Park and Garden	2
Listed Building	2
Conservation Area	2
Local Designation (e.g County Landscape or County Wildlife Site)	1

A2 Discordant Features

Select one statement

Line is the only discordant feature in the landscape	5
Other discordant features but line is the most dominant	3
This line is one of a number of lines in the landscape all equally intrusive	1
This line is less dominant than other discordant features in the landscape	0

A3 Situation

Select one or more statements

	The line crosses a ridge or skyline and stands out prominently	5
	The line crosses a wide, open landscape	3
	The line cuts across the grain of the landscape and its features	3
	The line crosses open access land (common land, mountain, moor, heath & down)	2
	None of the above	0

A4 Density of wirescape (Remember no Tower or High Voltage lines)

Select one statement

	Single line with bundled wire (looks like one cable) and a few stays	2
	Single line with up to 3 separate wires and a few stays	2
	Single line with up to 6 separate wires and a few stays	3
	Multiple line with services and a few stays	3
	Single line of any type with multiple stays, services	4
	Multiple line with multiple stays and services	4
	Multiple line as above with many road crossings and exceptional pole/wire density*	5

(Services are the overhead lines linking the main line to individual properties. Stays are the angle wires from the pole into the ground where the line changes direction).

PART B – LEVEL OF IMPACT

B1 Visibility

Please assess the extent of any visual impact of the line when viewed from the following locations. Scores to be based on : No Impact / not applicable = 0, Low Impact = 1, Medium Impact = 2, Significant Impact = 3.

	Visual impact from areas of open access
	Visual impact from public rights of way other than roads
	Visual impact from national/regional/locally promoted trails
	Visual impact from viewpoint(s)
	Visual impact from picnic site(s) or other recreational site(s)
	Visual impact from a village or settlement (2 or more residences)
	Visual impact from road(s) outside of villages

TOTALS

	A – Characteristics (sum of scores from A1 to A4)
	B - Impact

AMENITY SCORE

	Multiply total from Part A by total from Part B
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Impact on Biodiversity

<p>Please provide information on any known impact on bird communities (e.g. persistent bird strikes)</p>

FURTHER INFORMATION: Digital photographs should be provided where possible

Please provide information on local conditions that could be relevant when planning engineering work e.g. Does the line cross water courses, rocky outcrops, steep slopes? Will access be difficult? Is the line in a village?

Please give any additional description of the wirescape that you consider to be important.

* Please explain what you have considered to be exceptional pole / wire density, if applicable.