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VISTA

Killin

Scottish and Southern Electricity Networks Transmission (SSEN Transmission), is responsible for maintaining and investing in the electricity transmission network in the north of Scotland.



The overhead steel tower line which runs between Killin and Invernan was constructed in 1952, with the section between Killin and St Fillans constructed in 1955, both sections are operated at 132,000 volts.

To play a part in conserving Scotland's designated landscapes, SSEN Transmission sought to access a proportion of a 500m fund that is administered by the electricity industry regulator Ofgem.


As part of the SSEN Transmission VISTA (Visual Impact of Scottish Transmission Assets) initiative, we will be installing a 132kV twin cable section of the existing 132kV double overhead line circuit between Lix Toll and Killin substation.

What is there now

Two parallel overhead lines run south from the Killin substation, across the shoulder of Creag Bhuidhe, towards the River Dochart. After crossing the river to the south of Killin the two overhead lines diverge: one line continues west through Glen Dochart and the other passes south through Glen Ogle.

What is proposed

A total of 7.8 km of overhead line will be removed, including 32 steel lattice towers, between Killin substation and Lix Toll. The removed towers will include the most prominent section above Killin and the Falls of Dochart, as well as those crossing the A827. The project will significantly reduce the quantity of electricity infrastructure in the Killin area.



32
towers to be replaced

Killin substation was constructed in
1954

Programme of Activity

The project has been active since Summer 2021 and is expected to finish by December 2022.

The main activities and timescales are detailed below. Please note that dates are subject to change.

Cable route fencing & accesses

August 2021 to March 2022

Trench & duct installation

November 2021 to May 2022

A827 carriageway works

January 2022 to April 2022

Horizontal Directional Drilling (HDD) activities

December 2021 to March 2022

First circuit energised

May 2022

Last circuit energised

October 2022

Re-instatement & OHL Dismantle

August 2022 to December 2022