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Anti-pylon group protest

LOCAL RESIDENTS in the Boyle area, who are opposed to plans to erect an overhead power line across their land, joined anti-pylon groups from all over the country in staging a national protest outside the ESB headquarters in Dublin on Monday.

The groups, including those from the Boyle area, are opposed to overhead powerlines on health and safety grounds and handed a letter into ESB officials highlighting their concerns.

According to the protesters, recent research findings reported in the British Medical Journal indicated that living 200 metres from a high voltage line increased the likelihood of a child getting leukaemia by 70%.

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