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## 'Mast residents' to meet eircom

■ Pauline Scott

Residents seeking to prevent the erection of an eircom mast at Gorticmeelra, Donamon are to meet with representatives of eircom on Tuesday next. Speaking to Roscommon People on Wednesday evening, spokesperson John F. Hanley said, "It is now in the hands of our solicitors and will be before the courts. Work has progressed to a stage where we are waiting for concrete to set. We don't anticipate any activity on the site in the next week and we are hoping to have a hearing in June and have served notice on eircom to that effect.

"Hopefully they will see the sense of not progressing with this until that hearing takes place. We are meeting eircom on Tuesday next to discuss the situation and propose alternatives rather than have it planted on this young family's doorstep.

"We are having a fundraiser in Cuisle in Donamon on Friday, May 21st to highlight the issue and to raise funds."



The Funeral of Private Ronan McCormack took place on Tuesday afternoon last. A large gathering of Ronan's friends and Defence Force colleagues turned out to pay their respects. Picture: Andrew Fox/Smyth's Funeral Directors, Roscommon.

# Hundreds attend funeral of late Ronan McCormack

Hundreds of mourners attended the funeral of Ronan McCormack in Roscommon town on Tuesday afternoon last. The late Mr. McCormack (26) of Ardsallaghmore and Carrownabrick-

na, Roscommon, died following a fatal road accident in the early hours of Saturday morning. The

accident occurred on the Roscommon side of Ballymurray level crossing at approximately 1.20 am.

The driver and passenger of the second car, a Polish man and woman, were taken to Roscommon County Hospital following the accident, but their injuries were described as not life-threatening. Anyone who witnessed the accident or who could help Gardaí with their investigation is asked to contact Roscommon Gardaí on (090) 66 38300.

The late Ronan McCormack was a Private in the Defence Forces, based at Custume Barracks, Athlone. He joined the Defence Forces in 1991 and recently qualified as a plant fitter/mechanic. He had previously taken part in overseas missions

in Chad and Liberia. He also worked part-time on Foxe's bar in Roscommon.

Friends, family and colleagues in the Defence Forces attended the funeral Mass at noon in the Sacred Heart Church, Roscommon on Tuesday. The late Ronan McCormack was buried with full military honours at St. Coman's Cemetery, Roscommon.

He is survived by his heartbroken parents Bob and Jacqui, sisters Angelina and Fiona; brother Clement; brother-in-law Shane, adored nephew Gavin, godson Joey, nanny Frances McCormack (Gortgallen), granny Kathleen, granddad Tommy Joe, uncles, aunts, cousins, a huge circle of friends and his colleagues at Custume Barracks.



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