

Tipperary County Council
20 July 2026, 10.30 pm

Fire Incident at Slievenamon, Co. Tipperary

As darkness falls, Tipperary Fire and Rescue Service has stood down firefighting operations at the scene of the Slievenamon fire. This decision has been taken in the interests of the health and safety of fire crews, given the challenging terrain and the limited scope for effective intervention during the hours of darkness. While active operations have ceased for the night, the situation on the ground will continue to be closely monitored throughout the night by emergency services personnel.

Current indications are that the rate of fire spread is expected to reduce overnight as temperatures fall. At this stage, there is no expectation that residential properties will be impacted; however, emergency services will maintain a presence in the area and continue to monitor developments.

An assessment of the situation will be undertaken early tomorrow morning and, following consultation with partner agencies and other stakeholder organisations, together with information obtained through the requested aerial support, the operational response plan will be reviewed and revised as necessary.

Members of the public in the Slievenamon area, particularly those downwind of the fire, are advised to keep windows and doors closed where possible. People with respiratory conditions should take particular care. The public is also asked to avoid any unnecessary travel to the area to facilitate access for emergency service vehicles.

Tipperary County Council and Tipperary Fire and Rescue Service continue to work closely with all relevant agencies and will review the situation again early tomorrow morning. Further updates will be issued as verified information becomes available.

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