



SITE VISIT REPORT

Purpose of Site Visit: Tipperary Peat Extraction

Site Address: Arragh Beg Bog, Arragh Beg County Tipperary

Date of Visit: 27/07/2022

Times of Visit: 1000 to 1025

Visit Criteria: Peat extraction investigation

EPA Attendees: Mick Henry and John Gibbons

Organisation: Manorstar Ltd.

Summary: The purpose of the visit was to

- i) Ascertain whether peat extraction activities were being carried out by the above or its agents on lands owned and controlled by the above or its agents in Co Tipperary.
- ii) The site visit commenced on lands that were the subject of correspondence from the Agency in September and October 2022 where extraction of peat on a commercial scale was noted.

Findings of site visit of 27/07/2022: The following was noted during the visit:

- Peat harvesting machinery was noted in the area (Appendix 1) at Arrabeg townland where the peat had previously been dug up (large sods), stockpiled in rows prior to being removed to a loading area.
- Excavators, tractors and tracked trailers for peat harvesting were noted (see Appendix 2 photographs).
- Large sod peat collection from the peatland was on-going however no peat extraction was taking place at this time.

Report prepared by: John Gibbons & Mick Henry

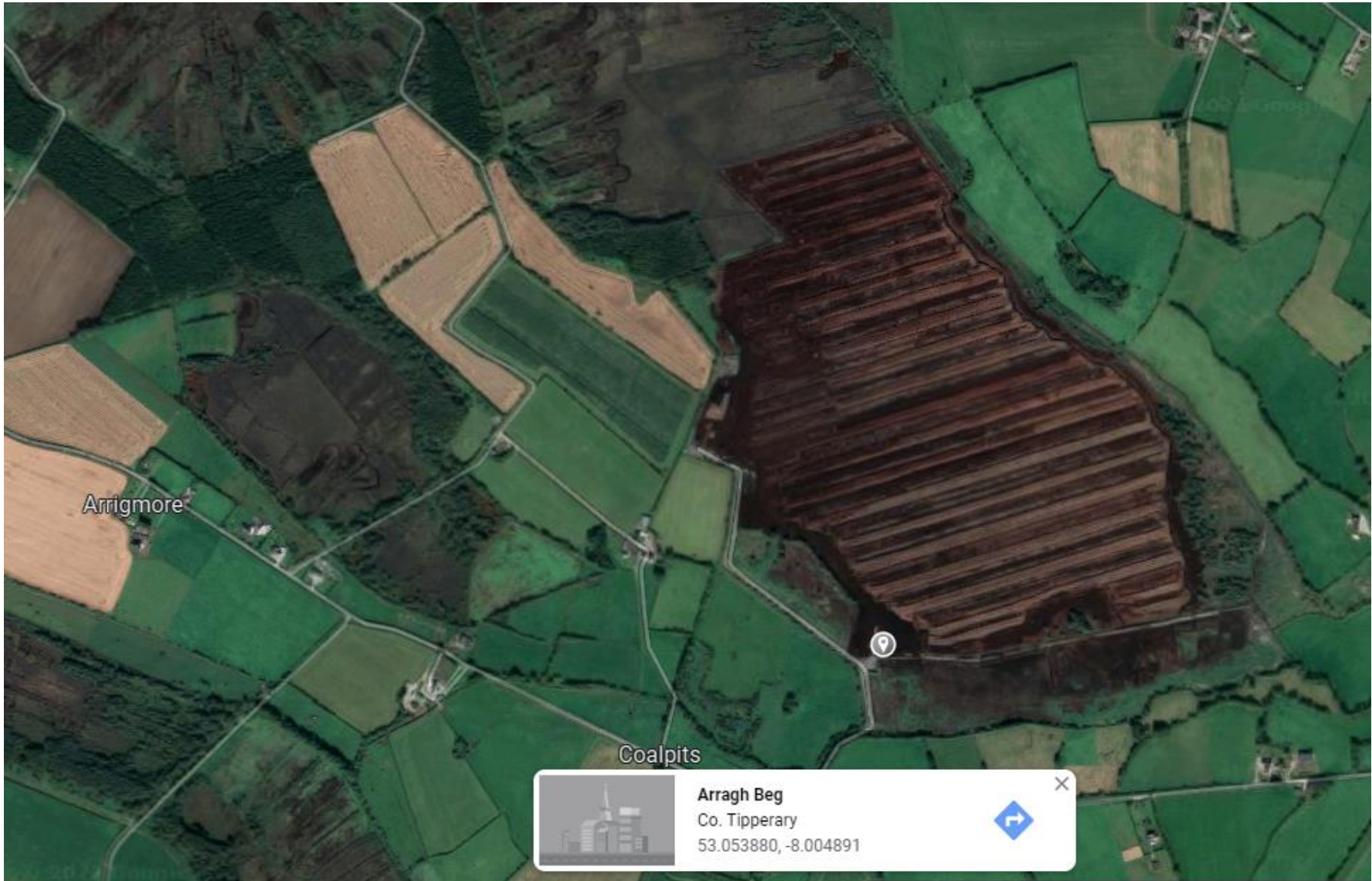
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Date:

10/08/2022

Appendix 1



Arrigmore

Coalpits

 **Arragh Beg**
Co. Tipperary
53.053880, -8.004891

Appendix 2



Photo 1: Sod peat collection noted on the peatland



Photo 2: Milled peat area with reduced stockpile of milled peat noted in the distance.



Photo 3: No activity noted on milled peat section of the peatland.



Photo 4: Tractor and tracked trailer for sod peat collection noted on the bog.
