



SITE VISIT REPORT

Purpose of Site Visit: Peat Extraction on bogs in Co. Westmeath

Site Address: Ballymaglavy Co Westmeath

Date of Visit: 21/2/2022

Times of Visit: 0945 to 1045

Visit Criteria: Peat extraction investigation

EPA Attendees: Mick Henry and John Gibbons

Organisation: Colm Foy (Midland Turf)/ Ronan Quinn (Derrymore Peat)

Summary: The purpose of the visits was to

- i) Ascertain whether peat extraction activities were been carried out by one or more parties at the above address in Co Longford.
- ii) The site visit commenced on lands where excavation, turning and stockpiling of sodpeat following extraction activity was noted.

Findings of site visit of 21/2/2022: The following was noted during the visit:

- Peat excavation machinery was noted on the bog (Appendix 1) at the Ballymaglavy townland, Abbeyshrule, Co. Westmeath where sod peat had been dug up, turned and left on the bog for drying.
- Machinery and equipment for peat harvesting was noted at this location.
- A significant amount of the sod peat rows noted in a previous visit had now been removed.

Report prepared by: John Gibbons & Mick Henry

Signed:

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Date:

14/03/2022

Appendix 1

