



SITE VISIT REPORT

Purpose of Site Visit: Peat Extraction in Co Longford

Site Address: Derrymore, Ardagh Co Longford

Date of Visit: 05/07/2023

Times of Visit: 11:45 to 12:30

Visit Criteria: Peat extraction investigation

EPA Attendee: Simon Buckley and Kealan Reynolds

Organisation: Derrymore Peat Ltd [REDACTED] Midland Turf, [REDACTED] and [REDACTED] and/or its agents

Summary: The purpose of the visit was to

- i) Ascertain whether peat extraction activities were being carried on by the above or their agents on lands owned and controlled by the above named parties or their agents in Co Longford.

Findings of site visit of 05/07/2023:

- Peat extraction/harvesting was not taking place during the visit.
- A large stockpile of milled peat was noted on the western/northwestern boundary of the peatland. Peat harvesting machinery/equipment was also noted in close proximity to the stockpile.
- A stockpile of milled peat was noted at the loading area at the Southern end of the peatland. Peat harvesting machinery/equipment was noted in this area also.
- Two excavators were noted in an area at the northern/north west part of the peatland where where large sod peat had recently been removed.
- Significant quantities of water were noted in the drainage network on the peatland.

Report prepared by: Simon Buckley
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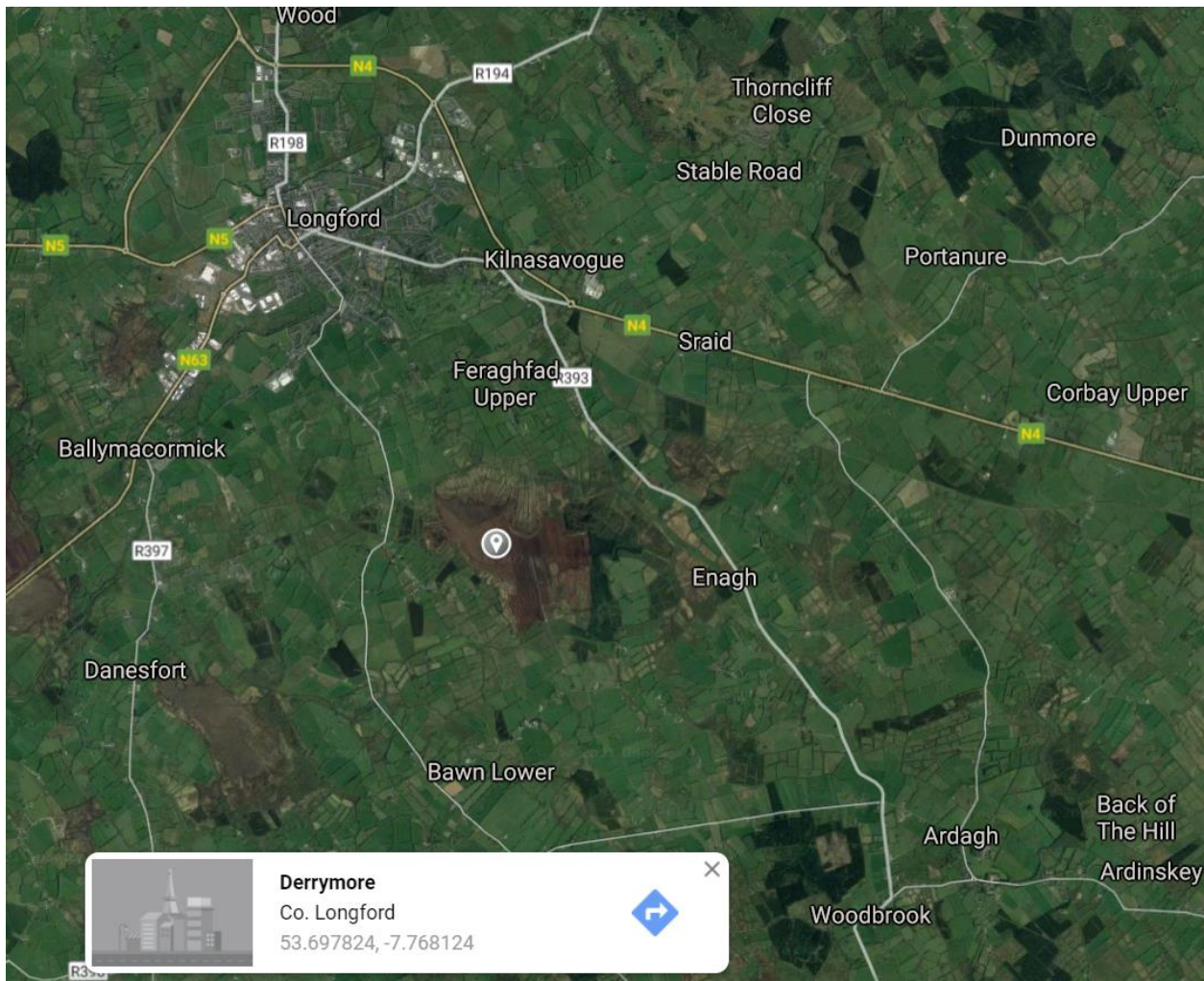
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Appendix 1





Appendix 2



Photo 1: Large stockpile of milled peat in the western/northwestern area of the peatland. Peat harvesting machinery/equipment also noted adjacent to the stockpile.



Photo 2: Two excavators noted in the North/North Western section of peatland where large sod peat had recently been removed.



Photo 3: Milled peat area at the Eastern side of the peatland.



Photo 4: Stockpile of milled peat noted at loading area at the Southern end of the peatland along with excavators and peat harvesting machinery/equipment.



Photo 5: Significant quantities of water noted in the drainage network on the peatland.
