



# SITE VISIT REPORT

**Purpose of Site Visit:** Peat Extraction in Co Longford

**Site Address:** Derrymore, Ardagh Co Longford

**Date of Visit:** 1/03/2023

**Times of Visit:** 1030 to 1130

**Visit Criteria:** Peat extraction investigation

**EPA Attendee:** John Gibbons

**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 out by the above or their agents on lands owned and controlled by the above named parties or their agents in Co Longford.
- ii) To determine what location the activities undertaken by the above or their agents was carried out at during recent months.
- iii) I was also accompanied by [REDACTED] who was carrying out an assessment of the peatland on behalf of the EPA.

**Findings of site visit of 01/03/2023:** The following was noted during the visit on lands:

- No peat extraction/harvesting was taking place during the visit.
- Peat harvesting machinery was noted at the entrance to the peatland.
- A large stockpile of milled peat noted on a previous visit had been removed.
- A quantity of sod-peat was noted along the boundary to the north/north west area of the peatland.

**Report prepared by:** John Gibbons

**Signed:**

**Date:**

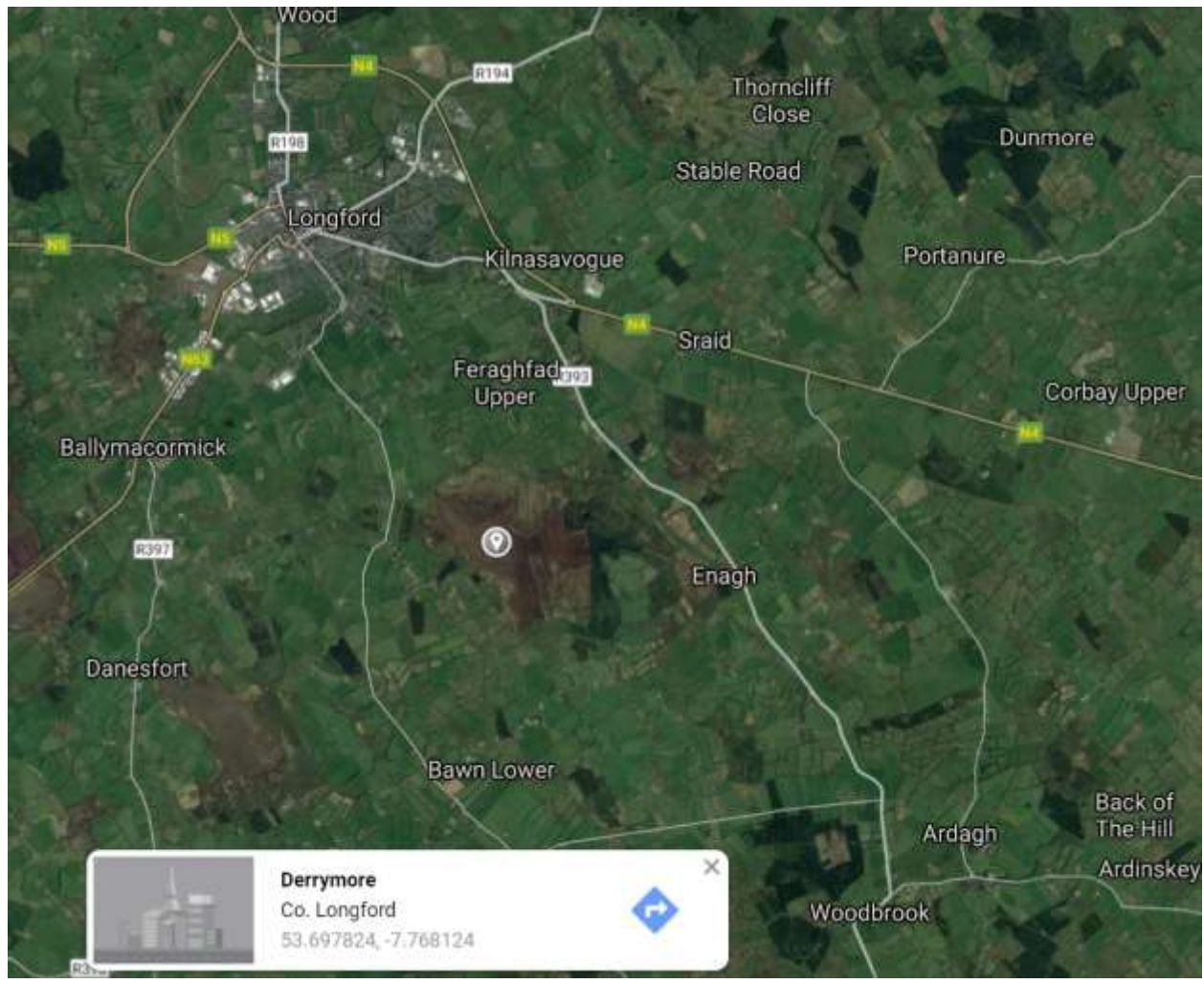
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## **Appendix 1**

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## **Appendix 2**

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**Photo 1: Walled sod peat noted at the northern area of the peatland.**

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**Photo 2: Excavated large sod peat left out on the peatland for drying.**

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**Photo 3: Recently completed drainage and access works noted during the visit.**

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