



SITE VISIT REPORT

Purpose of Site Visit: Peat Extraction in Co Longford

Site Address: Derrymore, Co Longford

Date of Visit: 30/07/2024

Times of Visit: 1015 to 1330

Visit Criteria: Peat extraction investigation

EPA Attendees: Mick Henry & Simon Buckley

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

Summary:

1. The purpose of the visit was to 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.
2. The EPA inspectors were also accompanied by [REDACTED] who were carrying out surveying/mapping of the peatland on behalf of the EPA.

Findings of site visit of 30/07/24:

The following was noted during the visit:

- No peat extraction/harvesting was taking place during the visit.
- Peat which was recently 'milled/harrowed' was noted on the peatland awaiting collection and removal off the peatland.
- Large sod peat was noted to be stacked for drying at the North Western part of the peatland.
- Two significant stockpiles of milled peat were noted at the loading area.
- Machinery and equipment for peat extraction and harvesting were noted to be parked at the loading area.
- Photos were taken during the visit.

Report prepared by: Mick Henry & Simon Buckley

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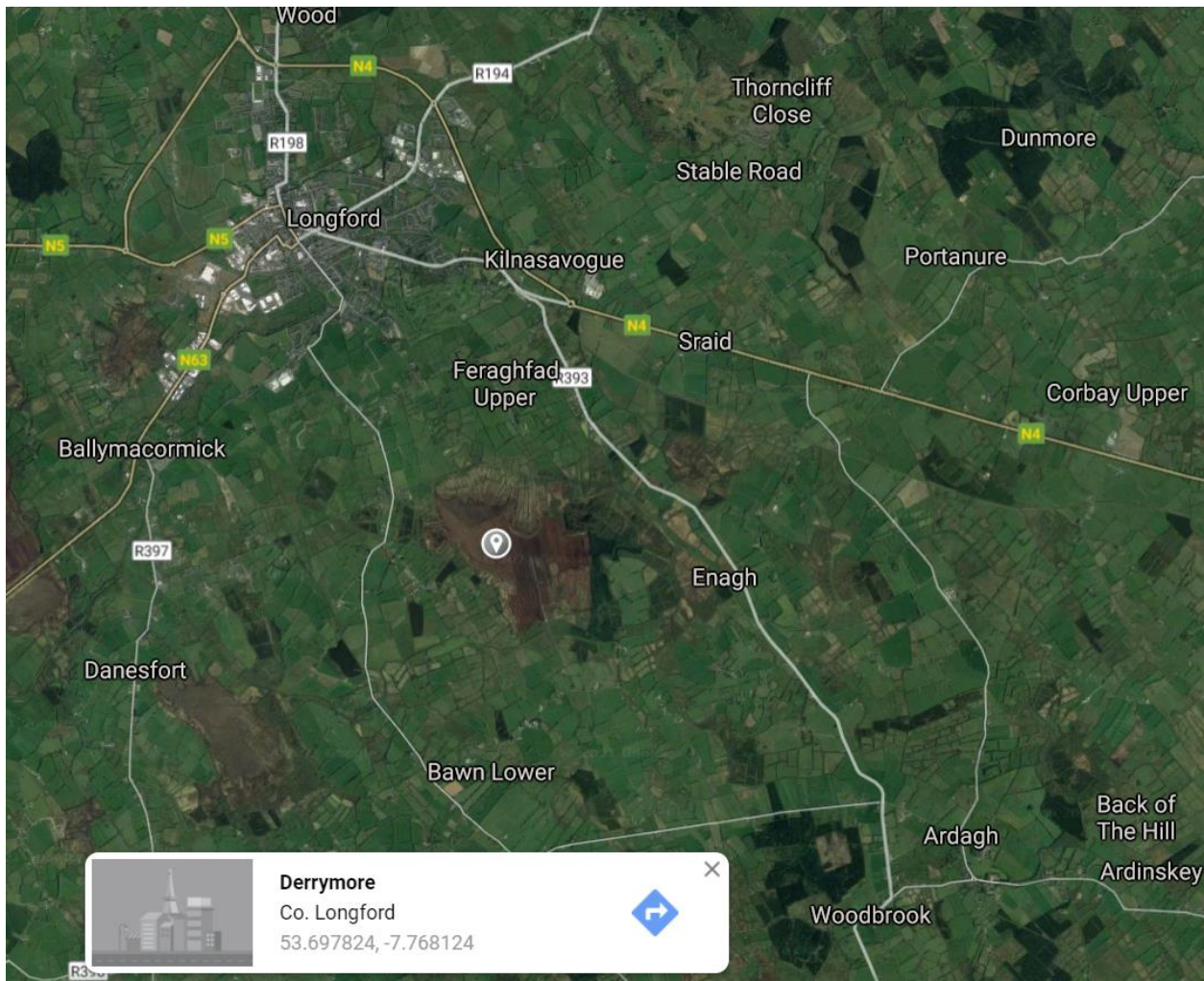
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Appendix 1





Appendix 2



Photo 1: Recently harrowed peat noted on the peatland.



Photo 2: Large stockpiles of milled peat at the loading area.



Photo 3: Excavator noted on large stockpile of milled peat at the loading area.



Photo 4: Recently ‘milled/harrowed’ peat noted on the peatland.



Photo 5: Large sod peat stacked for drying at the Northern part of the peatland.



Photo 6: Tractor with 'milling' machine noted adjacent to the stockpiles of milled peat at the loading area.
