

18th December 2024

Longford County Council
County Buildings
Great Water Street
Longford
N39 NH56

RE: Unauthorised development at Coolcraft Bog, Abbeylara, Co. Longford

Planning Enforcement File Ref. UNA2024-73

Dear Patricia,

I am writing regarding your letter dated December 11th containing the reference number detailed above. We were in receipt of this letter on December 12th.

Bord na Móna ceased all peat harvesting activities in 2020. As an organisation we are focused on renewable energy developments and rehabilitation of cutaway peatlands. We have a team on the ground that monitor our estate of almost 80,000 hectares to identify and tackle any illegal activities on our lands.

Bord na Móna are not aware of any commercial or other peat extraction activity on the lands in its ownership as referred to in your letter. However, we would be grateful if you could provide us with further information regarding a folio number, GPS coordinates or a map that could assist us in assessing the location and nature of the alleged activities.

Finally, I would like to confirm that as we are approaching the Christmas period the 4-week period for a full response does not include this time?

If you wish to reach out and have a conversation or setup a meeting to go through this, please let me know and I will arrange same.

Regards

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Estate Services Manager