

11 December 2024

Warning Letter

**Midland Peat Moss Ltd
Killina
Rathowen
Co Westmeath**

**Re: Unauthorised development at Lisnagrish and Lissanue Bogs, Co
Longford
Planning Enforcement File Ref. UNA2024-72**

A Chara,

It has come to the attention of Longford County Council, in its capacity as Planning Authority for the County of Longford, that there is unauthorised development at Lisnagrish and Lissanue Bogs, Co Longford – **namely unauthorised commercial peat extraction.**

The unauthorised development may be an offence under the Planning & Development Acts.

In accordance with the requirements of Section 152 of the Planning and Development Act 2000 you are advised that:

- 1. You may make submissions or observations in writing to the planning authority regarding the purported offence not later than four weeks from the date of the service of the Warning Letter.**
2. When a planning authority considers that unauthorised development has been or is being carried out, an Enforcement Notice may be issued
3. Officials of the planning authority may at all reasonable times enter on the relevant land or lands (where applicable) for the purposes of inspection.

Where a person served with an Enforcement Notice, fails to comply with the terms of the Notice, within the period specified by the notice or such extended period, not being more than 6 months, as the planning authority may allow, such person may be guilty of an offence and liable:

- (a) On conviction on indictment, to a fine not exceeding €12,697,380 or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 2 years or both; or
- (b) On summary conviction, to a class A fine, or to imprisonment for a term not exceeding 6 months, or to both.

Any costs reasonably incurred by the planning authority in relation to enforcement proceedings may be recovered from a person on whom an enforcement notice is served or where court action is taken.

Yours sincerely



Patricia Briody
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Longford County Council