

## Cox, Deirdre

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**From:** Holland, Denis  
**Sent:** 08 July 2024 11:55  
**To:** Devaney, AnnMarie  
**Cc:** Moloney, Colette  
**Subject:** Re: S63(5) Tipperary County Council - Unauthorised Commercial Peat Extraction  
**Attachments:** S63(5) Proposed Direction -Tipperary Co Co - Unauthorised Commercial Peat Extraction.pdf

Ms. Ann Marie Devaney,  
Senior Planner,  
Planning.

Ann Marie,

Please see below and attached, which does not appear to have been referred to Planning.

You will appreciate that the focus of the proposed Direction, pursuant to Section 63(5) of the Environmental Protection Agency Act 1992, relates to unauthorised peat extraction in County Tipperary. It seems to me that the response from Tipperary County Council should be led by Planning with appropriate assistance from Environment and Climate Action, and other(s), as required.

I do recall previous engagement within Tipperary County Council on this issue and it will now be necessary to resume that engagement at, perhaps, Working Group level.

It would be useful for you to convene a meeting of such a Working Group, as soon as possible to review the attached correspondence and prepare a response to the correspondence. Environment and Climate Action will be represented by Ms. Colette Moloney, Senior Executive Scientist and me. I recommend that you invite Ms. Ann Marie Fleming, Biodiversity Officer, Libraries and Cultural Services, and any other relevant staff, to such a meeting.

It would also be prudent to engage, at an early date, with the Environmental Protection Agency to discuss the proposed Direction and seek any clarifications on same which would guide the formulation of the Council's response. Such engagement would demonstrate the Council's interest in the subject matter of the proposed Direction and would constitute good practice.

Ms. Sineád Carr, Interim Chief Executive, has requested to be kept informed of progress and I would be grateful if you would do so.

Regards.

Denis.

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Eamon,

Please see attached and the requirement to revert by the 2<sup>nd</sup> August.

You might please arrange to have me updated on the issues pertaining to this concern.

Regards  
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Dear Ms. Carr,  
Please see attached letter for your information and follow up as appropriate.  
Kind regards  
Annette Jordan

**Annette Jordan**

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