



# SITE VISIT REPORT

**Purpose of Site Visit:** Tipperary Peat Extraction

**Site Address:** Arragh Beg Bog, Arragh Beg County Tipperary

**Date of Visit:** 27/07/2022

**Times of Visit:** 1000 to 1025

**Visit Criteria:** Peat extraction investigation

**EPA Attendees:** Mick Henry and John Gibbons

**Organisation:** [REDACTED]

**Summary:** The purpose of the visit was to

- i) Ascertain whether peat extraction activities were being carried out by the above or its agents on lands owned and controlled by the above or its agents in Co Tipperary.
- ii) The site visit commenced on lands that were the subject of correspondence from the Agency in September and October 2022 where extraction of peat on a commercial scale was noted.

**Findings of site visit of 27/07/2022:** The following was noted during the visit:

- Peat harvesting machinery was noted in the area (Appendix 1) at Arrabeg townland where the peat had previously been dug up (large sods), stockpiled in rows prior to being removed to a loading area.
- Excavators, tractors and tracked trailers for peat harvesting were noted (see Appendix 2 photographs).
- Large sod peat collection from the peatland was on-going however no peat extraction was taking place at this time.

**Report prepared by:**

John Gibbons &  
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**Signed:**


**Date:**

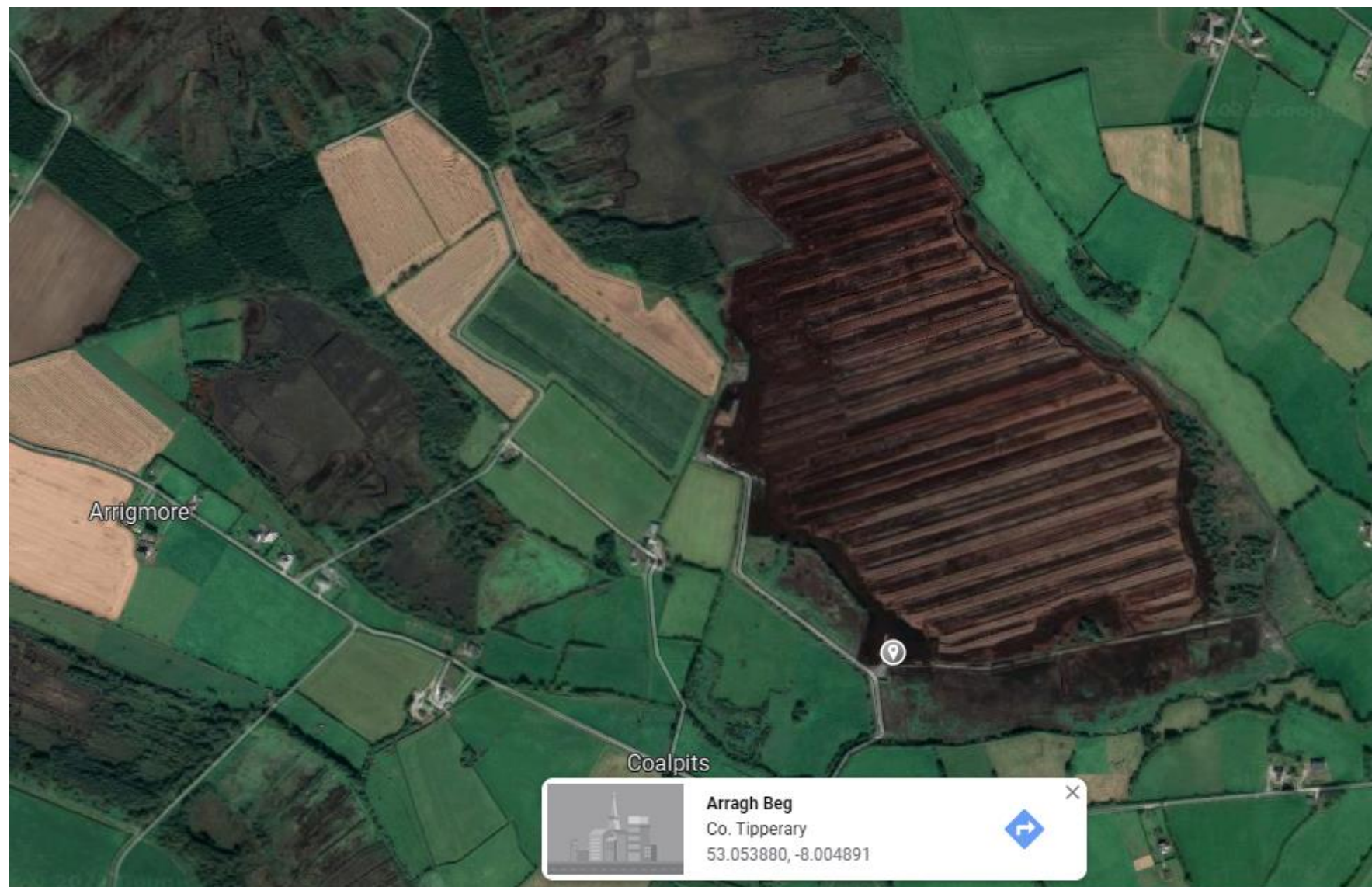
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## **Appendix 1**

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Arragh Beg

Coalpits



**Arragh Beg**  
Co. Tipperary  
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## **Appendix 2**

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**Photo 1: Sod peat collection noted on the peatland**

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**Photo 2: Milled peat area with reduced stockpile of milled peat noted in the distance.**

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**Photo 3: No activity noted on milled peat section of the peatland.**

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**Photo 4: Tractor and tracked trailer for sod peat collection noted on the bog.**

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