



# SITE VISIT REPORT

**Purpose of Site Visit:** Peat Extraction in Co Longford

**Site Address:** Derrymore, Co Longford

**Date of Visit:** 22/05/2025

**Times of Visit:** 13:45 to 14:25

**Visit Criteria:** Peat extraction investigation

**EPA Attendees:** Kealan Reynolds & Mick Henry

**Organisation:** [REDACTED] and/or its agents

## Summary:

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.

**Findings of site visit of 22/05/25:** The following was noted during the visit:

- Aerial footage and photos were taken during the visit.
- Milled peat extraction activities were noted to be taking place on the peatland. The milled peat had been 'ridged' at a number of locations and 'ridging' was also ongoing during the visit.
- Significant dust emissions were noted to be coming from the 'ridging' of the milled peat as well as from the movement of machinery at the peatland.
- Some large sod peat was noted to have been further removed (since the EPAs previous visit) from the 'large sod area' at the north/north western part of the peatland. An excavator was parked at this 'large sod area'.
- Machinery and equipment for peat extraction/harvesting was parked at the loading area.
- A number of excavators were noted to be working at the milled peat and large sod peat stockpiles at the loading area.
- A number of articulated vehicles were parked at the loading area.

**Report prepared by:** Kealan Reynolds & Mick Henry

**Signed:**



**Date:**

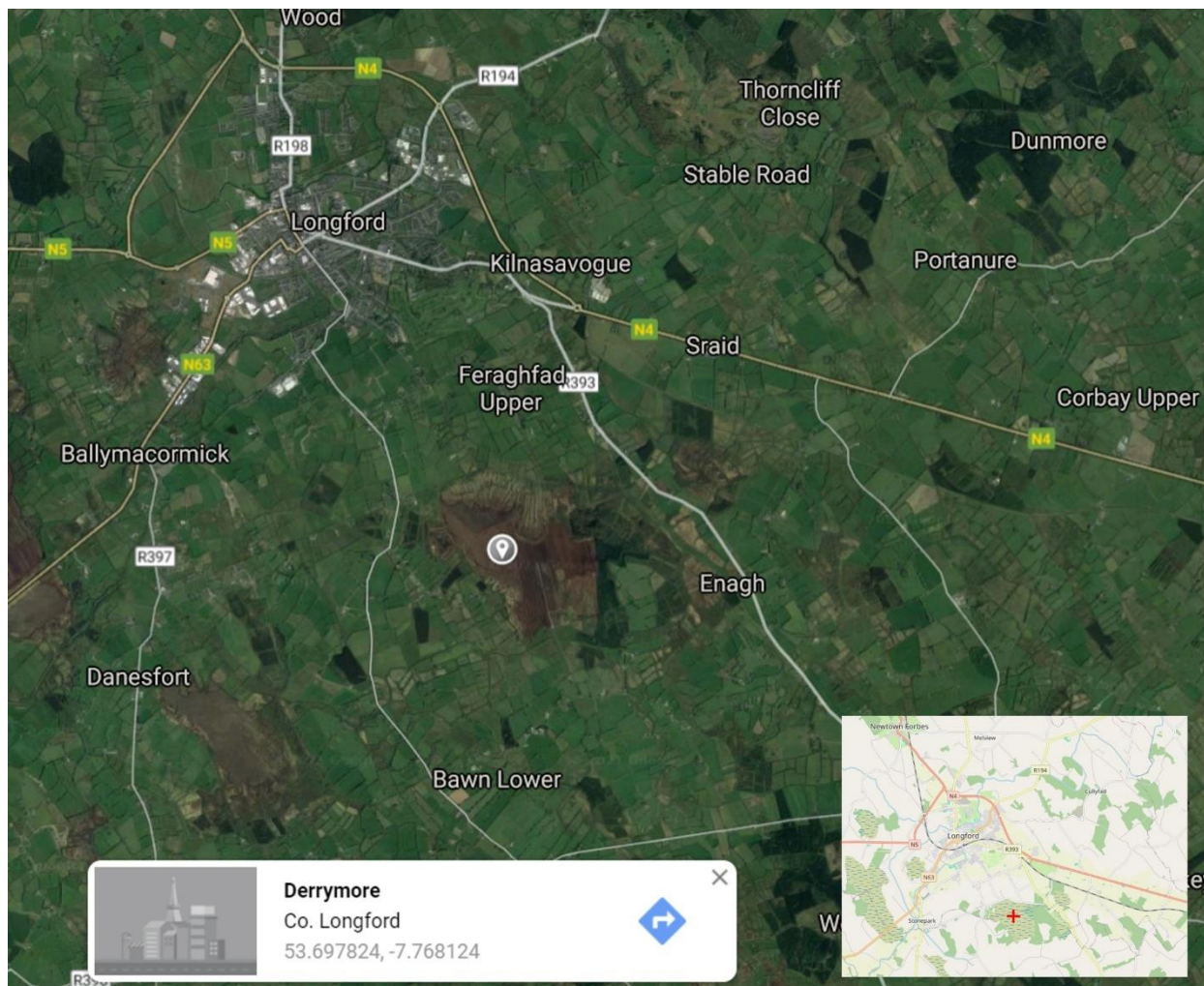
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## **Appendix 1**

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**Figure 1 – Location of Derrymore Peatland**



**Figure 2 – Overview of the peatland.**

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## **Appendix 2**

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**Photo 1: Excavator parked at the ‘Large sod peat’ area of the north/north western section of the peatland. Note some large sod peat had been removed since the previous Agency visit.**

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**Photo 2: Milled peat which was ‘ridged’ and awaiting collection from the peatland.**

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**Photo 3: The ‘ridging’ of milled peat which was ongoing during the visit.**

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**Photo 4: Significant dust emissions noted from the ‘ridging’ of milled peat.**

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**Photo 5: The ‘ridging’ of milled peat which was ongoing during the visit.**

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**Photo 6: Photo showing the ‘ridged’ milled peat on the peatland.**

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**Photo 7: Photo showing the ‘ridged’ milled peat on the peatland.**

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**Photo 8: The ‘ridging’ of milled peat which was ongoing during the visit.**

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**Photo 9: Photo showing one of the stockpiles of milled peat at the loading area which was noted to have got significantly bigger since the Agency's previous visits. Also note the presence of articulated vehicles.**

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**Photo 10: A second stockpile of milled peat noted at the loading area. Note also significant dust emissions arising from the movement of machinery.**

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**Photo 11: General overview of the loading area showing the two stockpiles of milled peat and a stockpile of large sod peat.**

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