



SITE VISIT REPORT

Purpose of Site Visit: Peat Extraction in Co Longford

Site Address: Derrymore, Co Longford

Date of Visit: 07/05/2025

Times of Visit: 10:15 to 11:50

Visit Criteria: Peat extraction investigation

EPA Attendees: Kealan Reynolds & Mick Henry

Organisation: [REDACTED]
[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 07/05/25: The following was noted during the visit:

- Aerial footage and photos were taken during the visit.
- Milled peat extraction activities (harrowing) were noted to be taking place on the peatland. Two tractors (with harrowing machinery) were noted to be carrying out milled peat extraction during the visit on the western and eastern sections of the peatland as well as a link route between the two sections.
- Large sod peat was noted to be stacked on the north/north western part of the peatland.
- Machinery and equipment for peat extraction/harvesting was also noted to be parked at the loading area.
- We spoke with a man named [REDACTED] and informed him of the purpose of our visit. [REDACTED] stated he was involved in a sphagnum growing project underway at the peatland.

Report prepared by:

Kealan Reynolds
& Mick Henry

Signed:

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Date:

20/05/25

Appendix 1

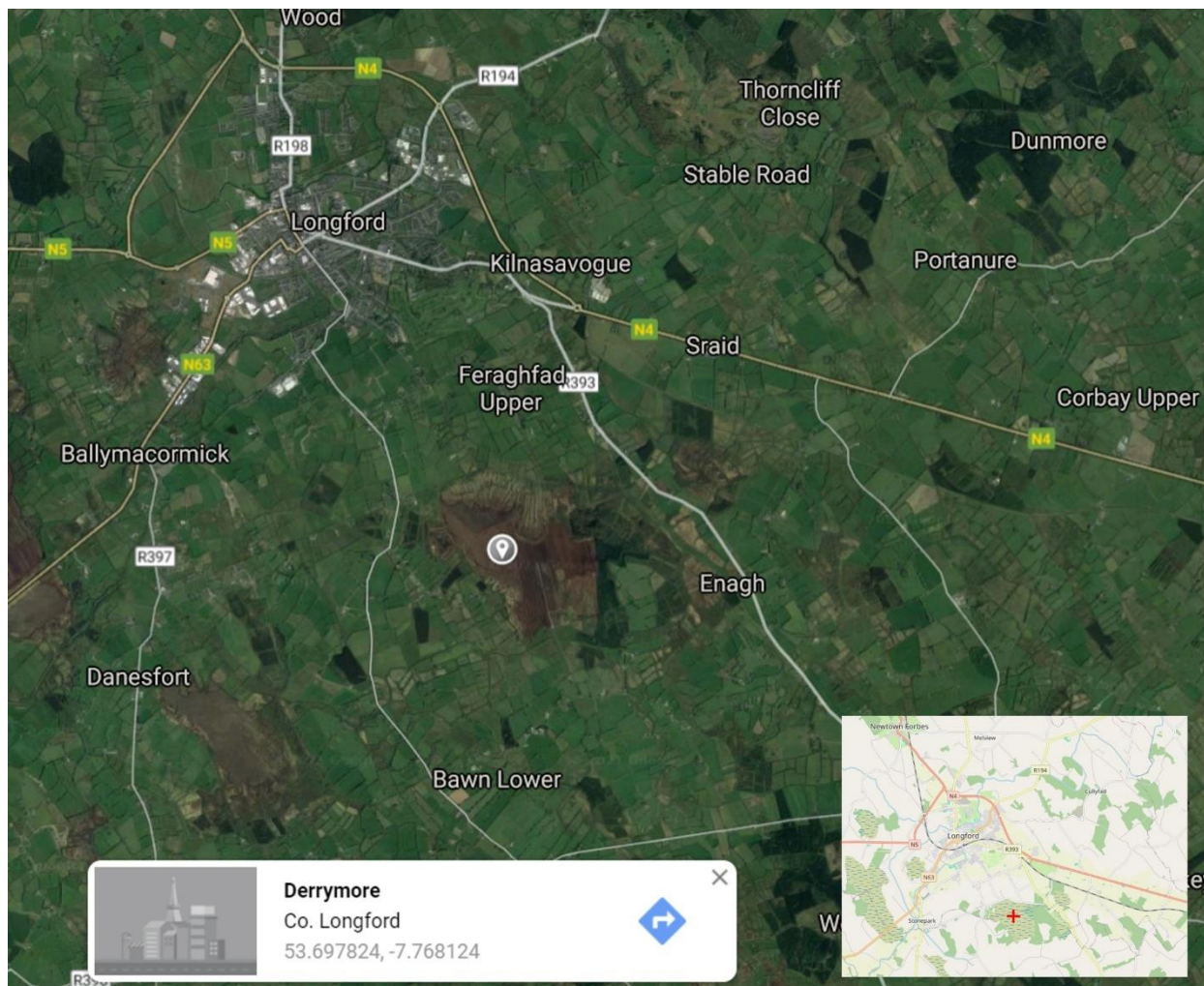


Figure 1 – Location of Derrymore Peatland



Figure 2 – Overview of peatland.

Appendix 2



Photo 1– Milled peat extraction noted to be taking place on the western section of the peatland during the visit.



Photo 2 - Milled peat extraction noted to be taking place on the eastern section of the peatland during the visit.



Photo 3 – General overview of the loading area, 2 significant stockpiles of milled peat noted here along with peat extraction/harvesting machinery and equipment.



Photo 4 -Stockpile of milled peat and machinery/equipment noted at the loading area.



Photo 5 – Large sod peat noted to be stacked at the north western section of the peatland.



Photo 6 – Photo of sphagnum growing project underway at the peatland.
