Inspector Report Discharge Form

314760-22

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General

File No:	314760-22

Please complete all relevant sections – (whether recommendation is to grant or to refuse)

(1) New Issues

New Issues	No

If 'Yes', provide brief description:

(2) Residential Development

(i) Number of dwellings: _____ as per my recommendation (enter...none...if refusal)

No. of Apts.

No. of Houses

Total No. of Units

(ii) Part V, Social and Affordable Housing

Section 96, Part V condition applies:

(3) Development Contributions (s. 48, s. 48(2) (c) and s.49)

Section 48 Development Contribution Scheme condition applies:	Yes
Section 48 (2) (c) Special Development Contribution condition applies:	
Section 49 Supplementary Development Contribution Scheme condition applies	

(4) Material Contravention of Development Plan

Section 37(2)(b) provisions apply:

(5) Statutory Notices (e.g. s.131/s.132)

Have all statutory notice periods expired? If 'No', the file should not be discharged.	Yes

(6) Habitats Directive

Is the integrity of a European site likely to be negatively affected?	No
Has AA, or screening for AA, previously been carried out by the EPA, and if so, has regard been had to this?	No

(7) EIA Development (including sub-threshold)

Does this application relate to an activity for which an IPPC or Waste Licence (or review of a Licence) is required from the EPA?	No
	Yes

If an EIS was submitted, was the EPA notified and observations sought/received?	
In the case of sub-threshold development where the submission of an EIS has not been sought, has the EPA been notified of this view and observations sought/received?	N/A
INSPECTOR	Caryn Coogan
Date	
23/04/2024	

Notes

Caryn Coogan

File ABP 314760Continued use and operation of a quarry at Spink, Co. Laois

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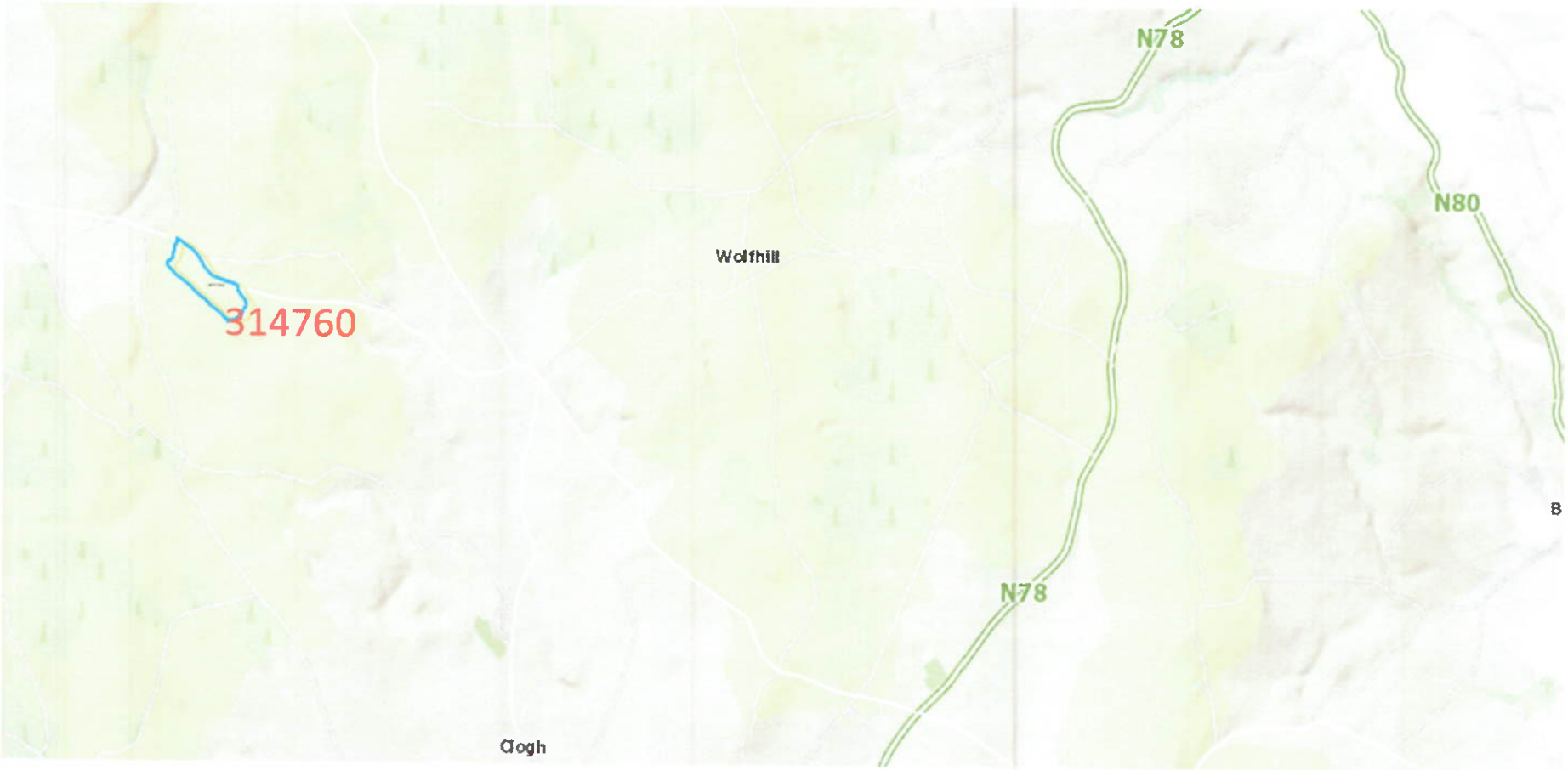

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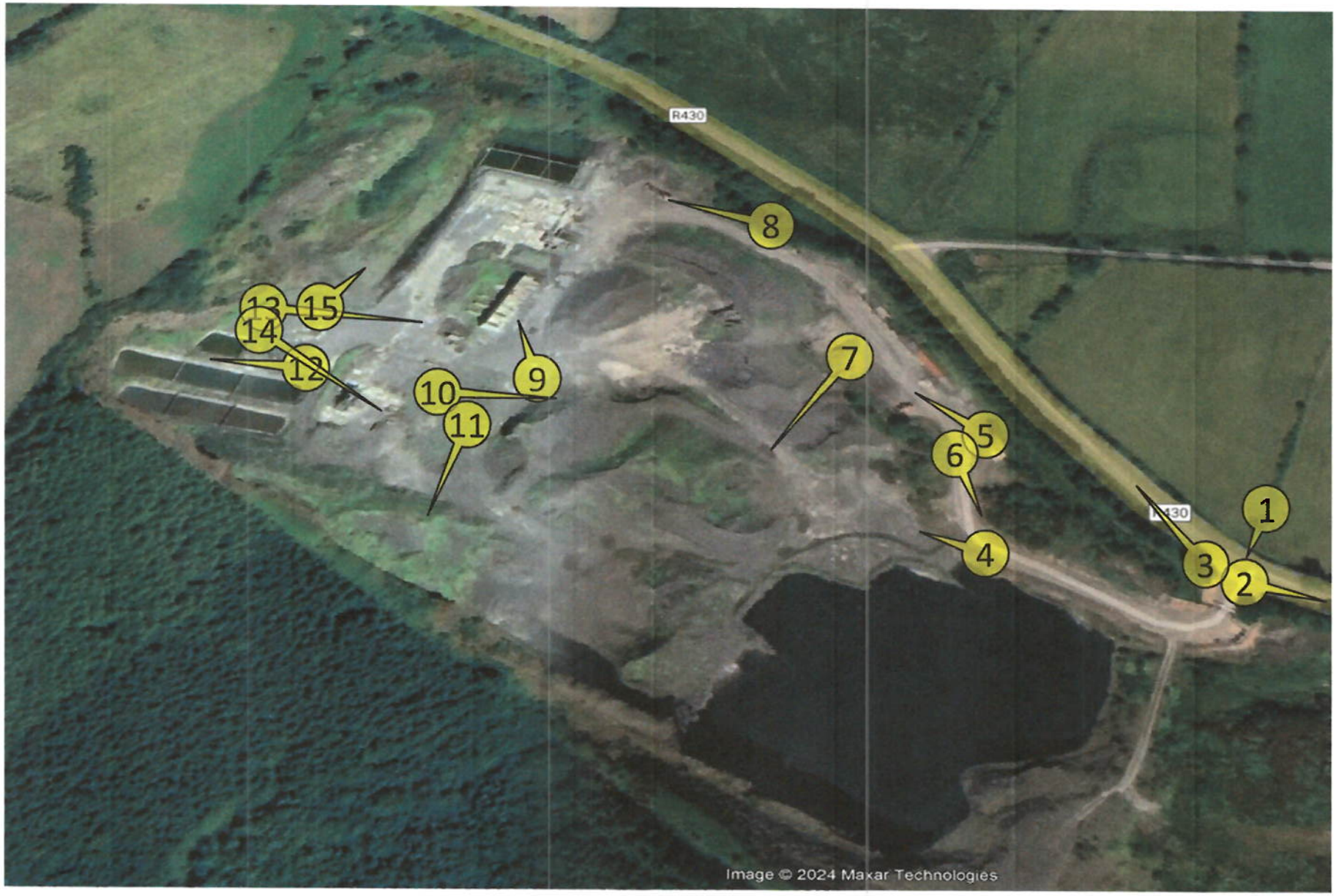

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Site Context

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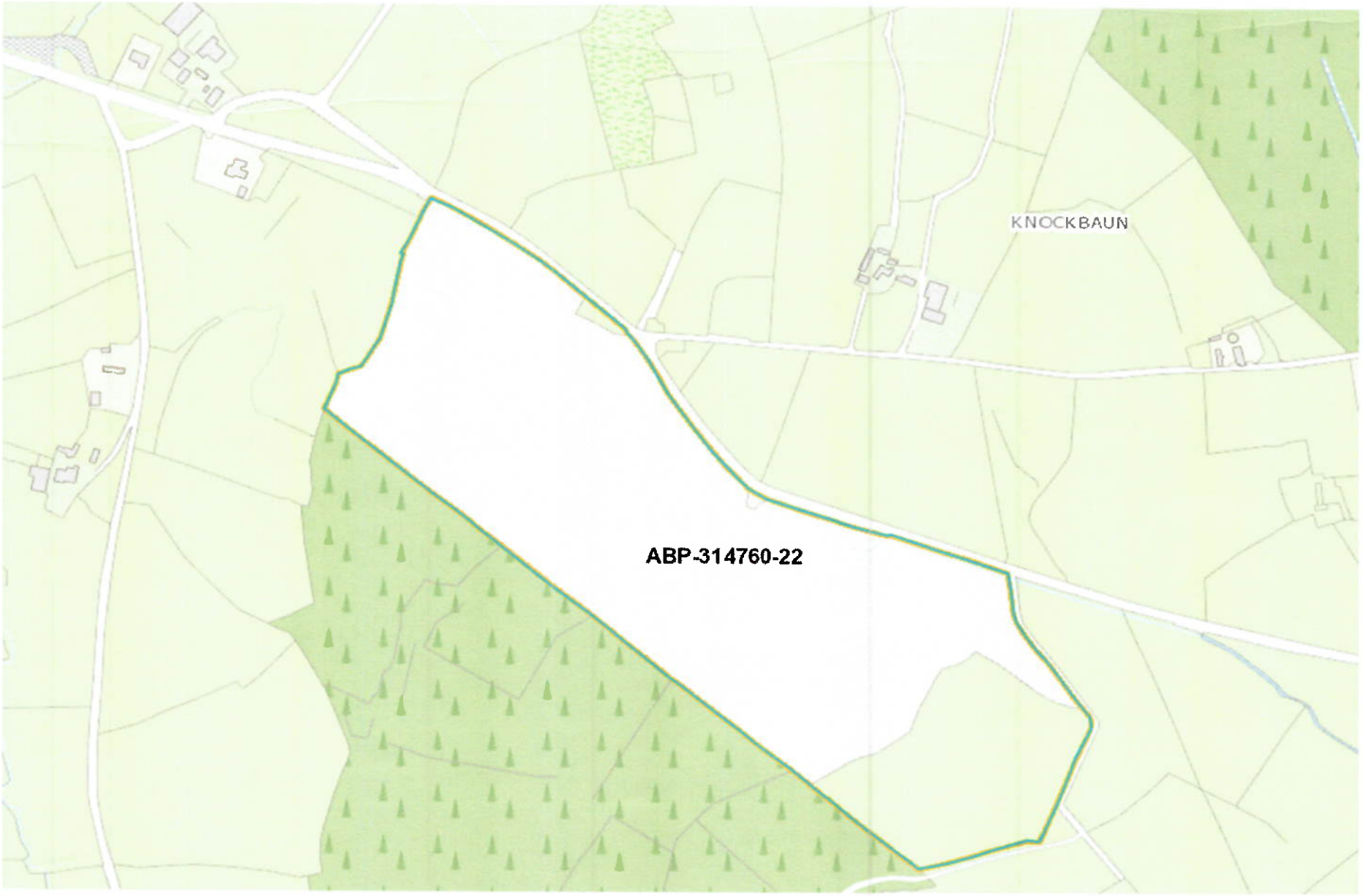

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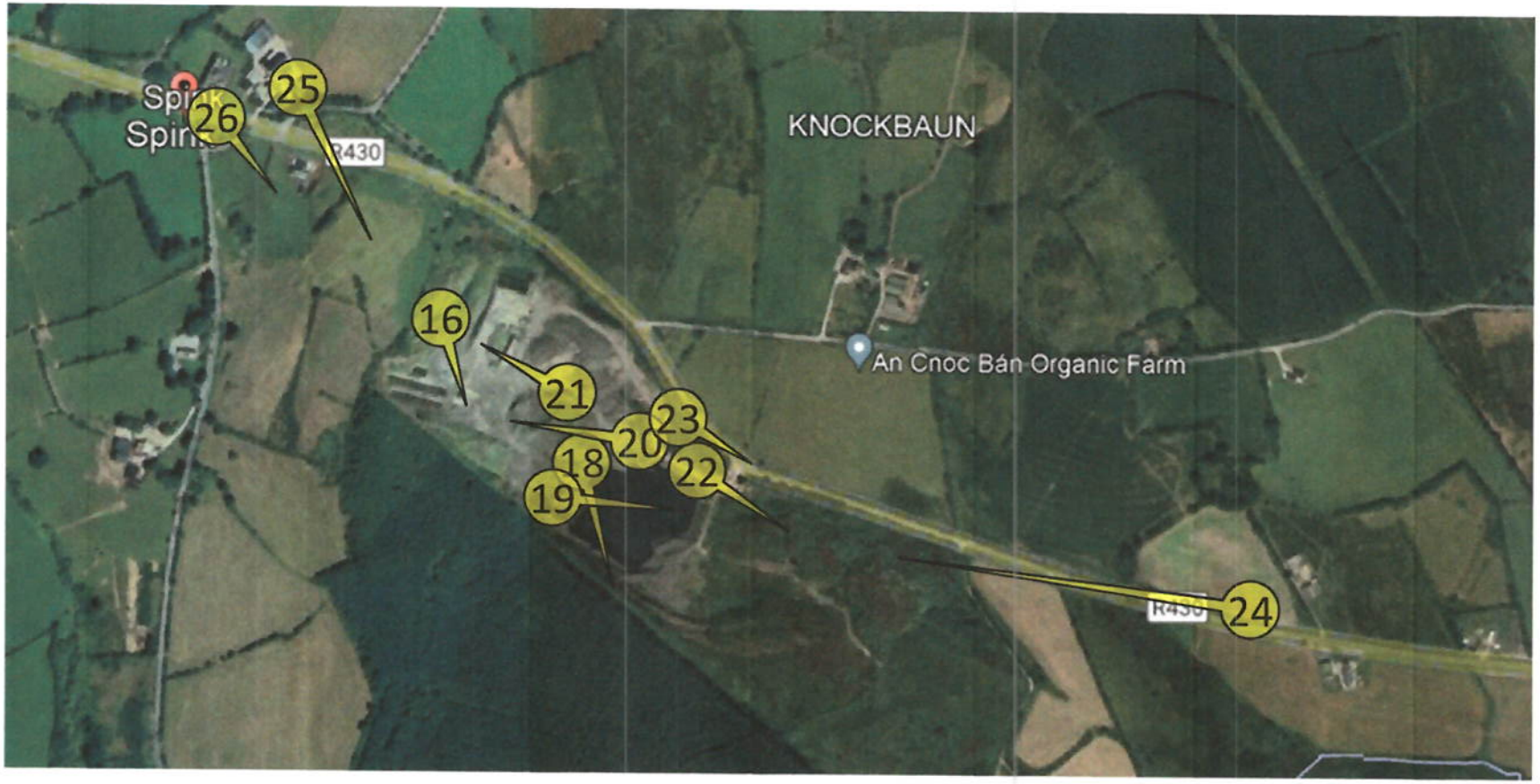
More photos taken on site 15th of March 2024



1. Entrance to the quarry

2. Sightline to the east along the R340. Road in good condition and wide at the entrance

3. Sightline to the west at the entrance along the R340

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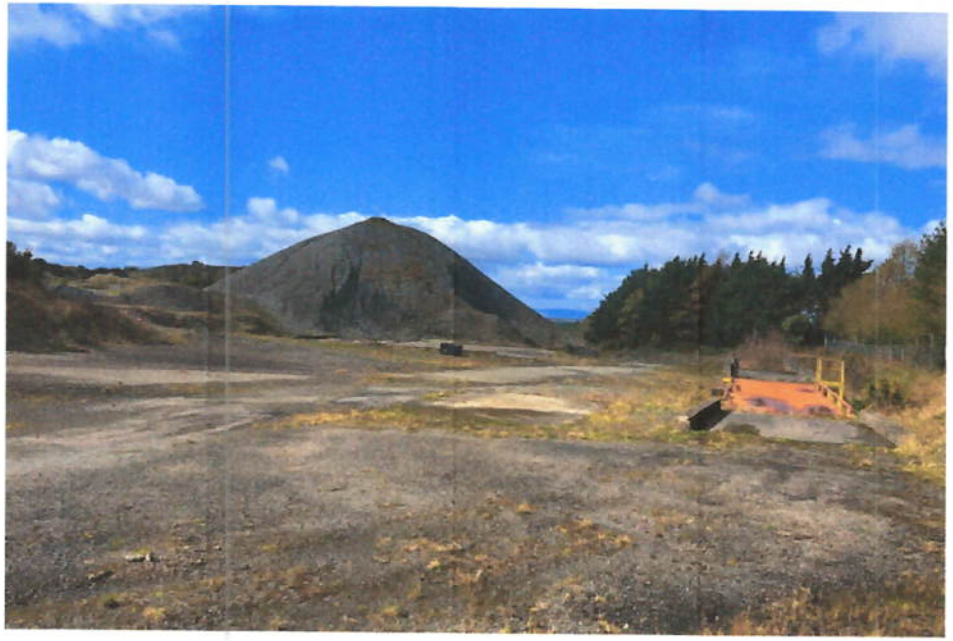
4. Existing stockpiles a view west across the quarry

5. Harding standing area where the refuelling will take place. Existing weigh bridge in place. There will be an office and a wheel wash at this location.



6. A view from the hardstanding area towards the access road to the entrance gate onto the R340

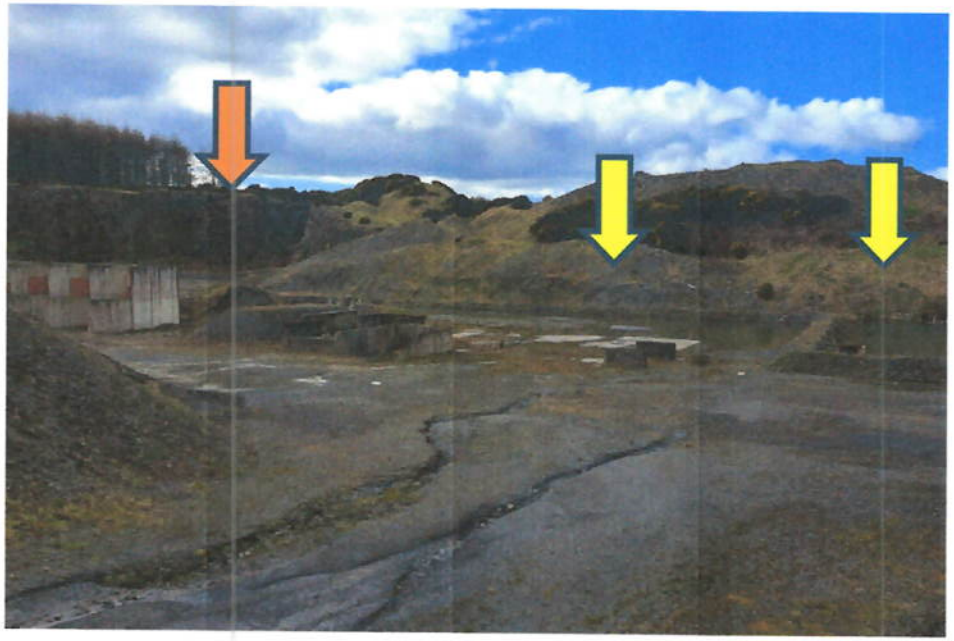
7. Southern quarry face in the background and stockpiles

10. Views from the quarry floor facing east

11. From the quarry floor facing south

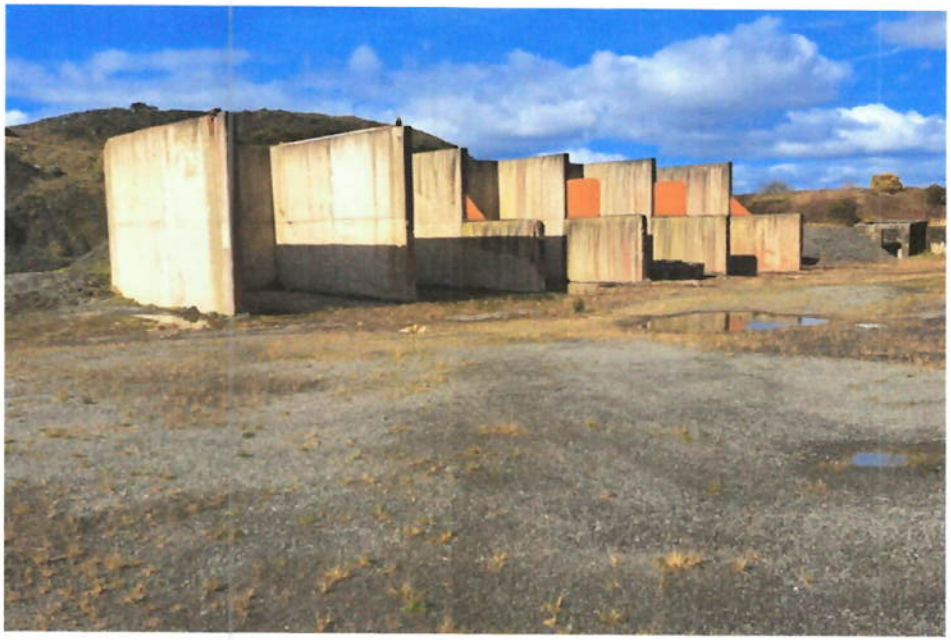
7. View South across the existing quarry

8. Orange is western quarry face. Yellow are the settlement ponds



8. Arrow denotes the location of the settlement ponds

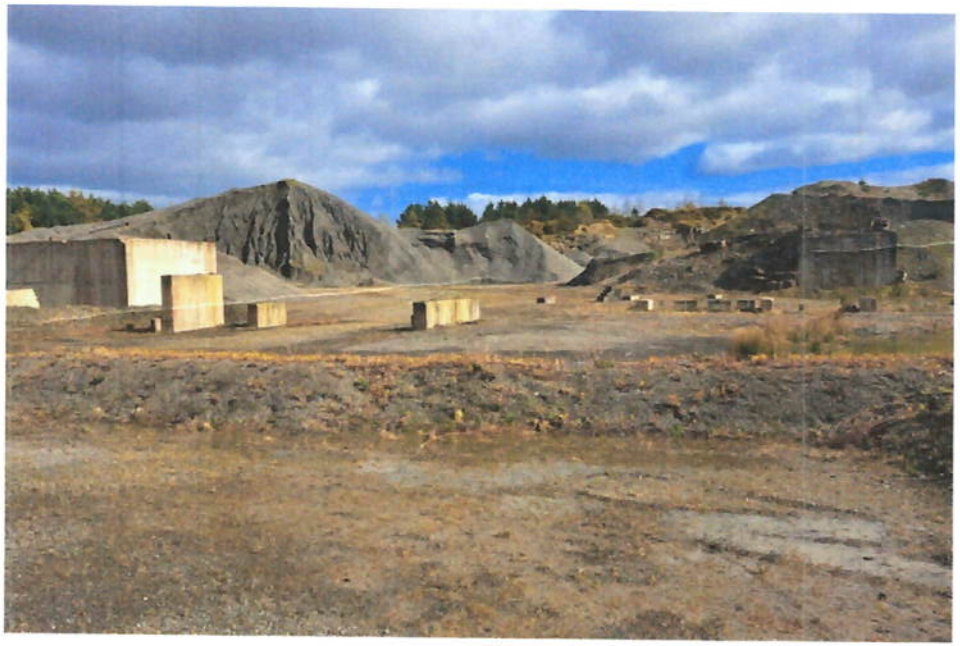
9. Existing aggregate storage bays



11. Southern quarry face

12. Western quarry face. Yellow arrows denote settlement ponds

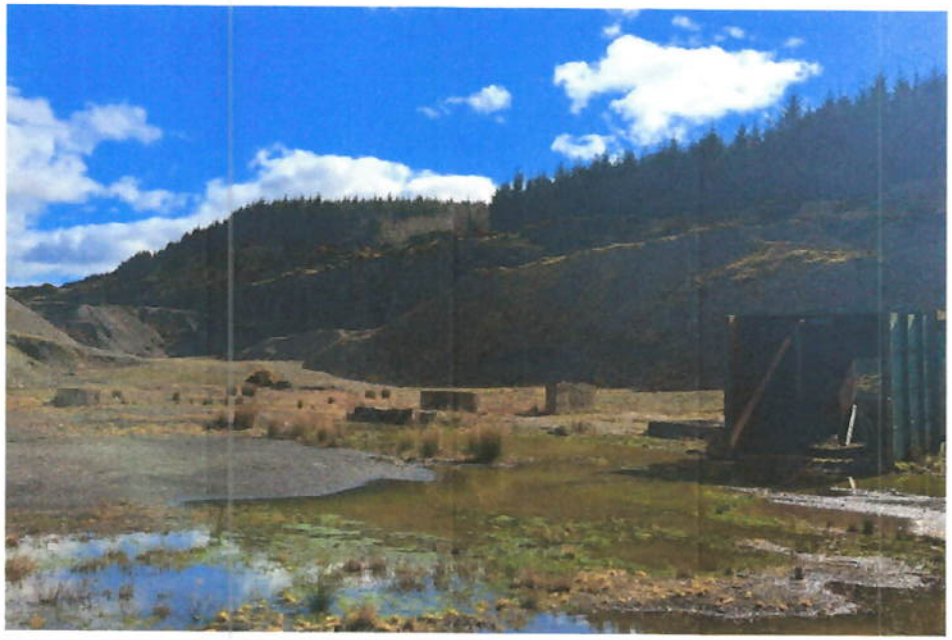
13. View eastwards at the existing settlement ponds fronting the western quarry face



14. View southeast from the settlement pons at the western quarry face

15. View north. There is an overflow from the settlement ponds to the north

16. View of the southern quarry face



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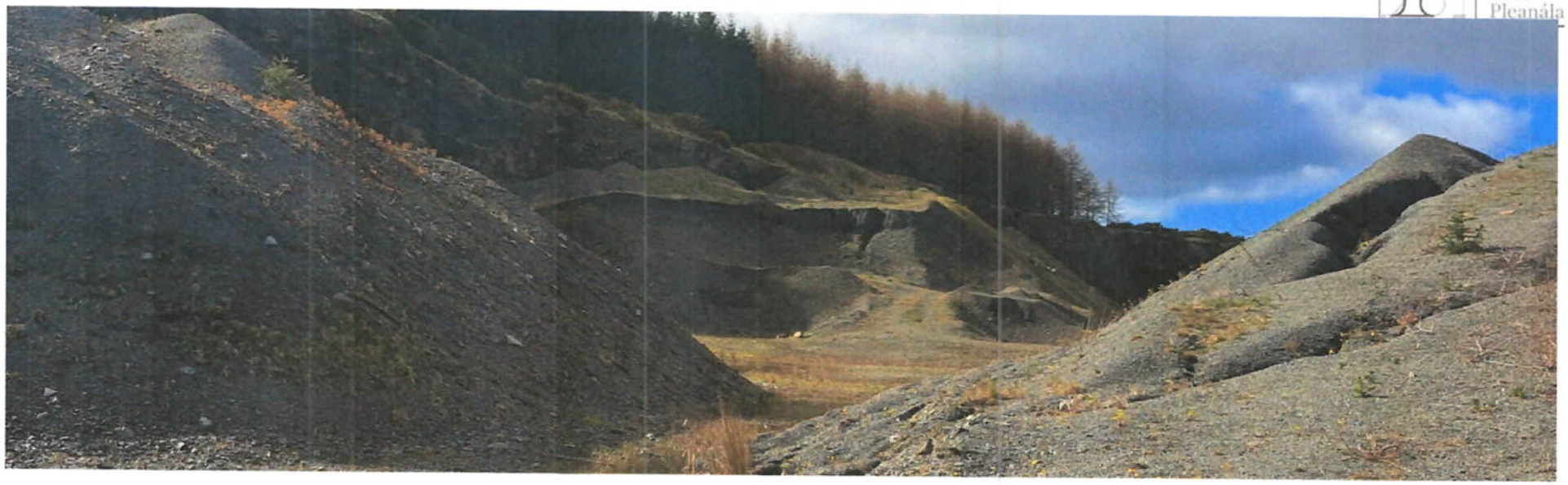
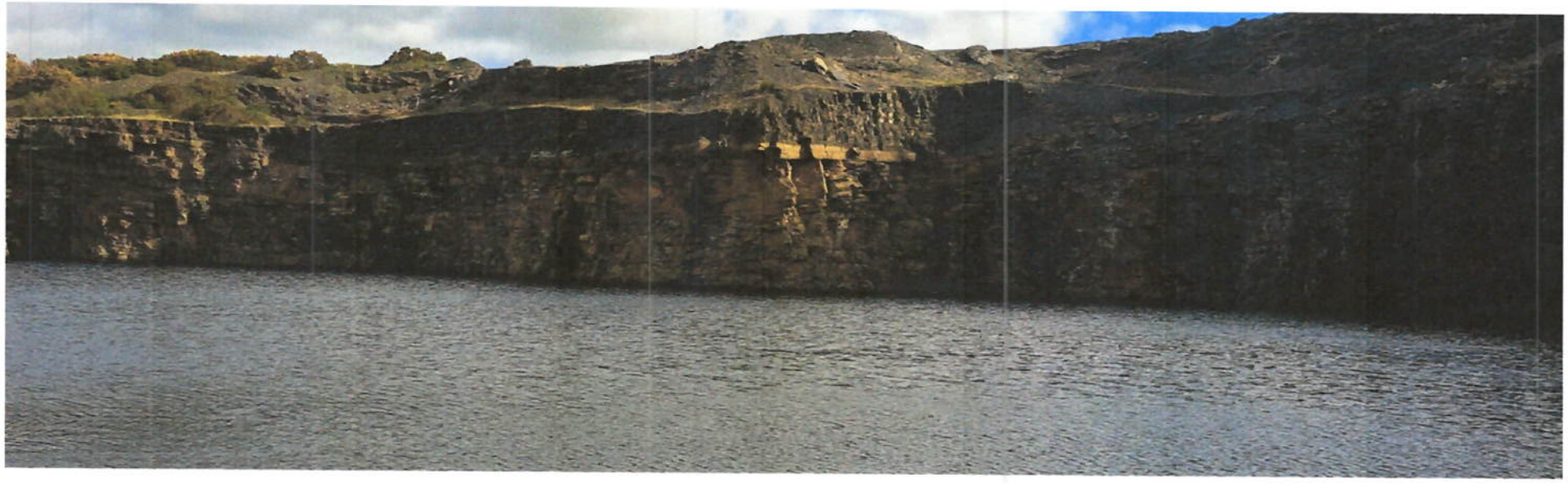


18. Eastern quarry face and sump



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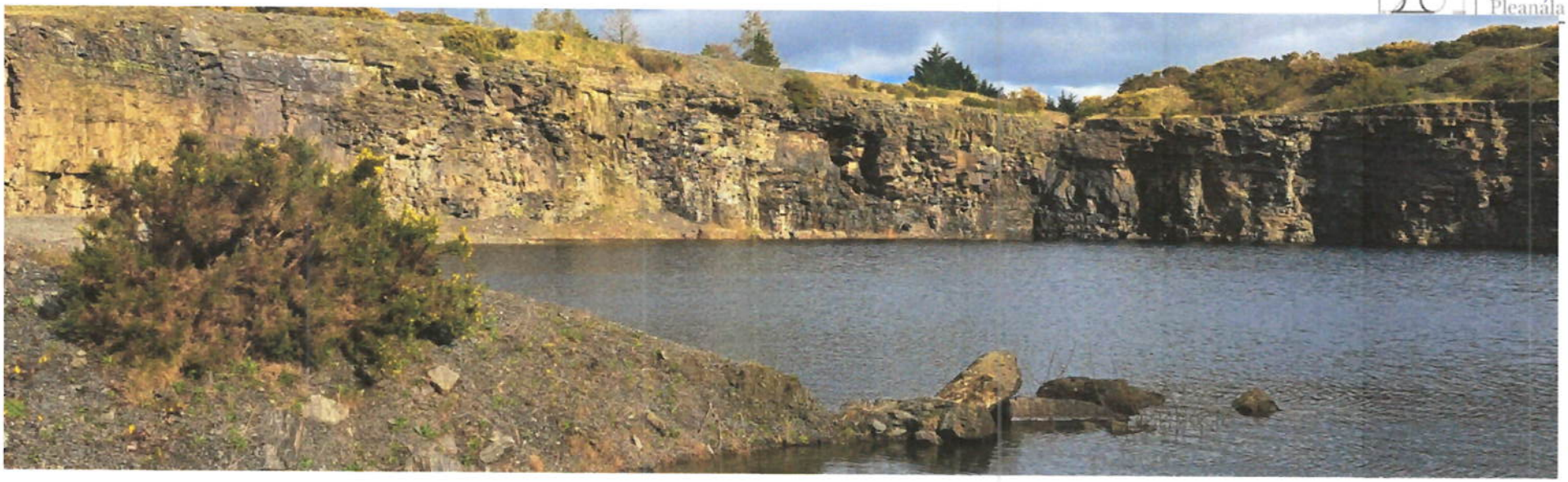

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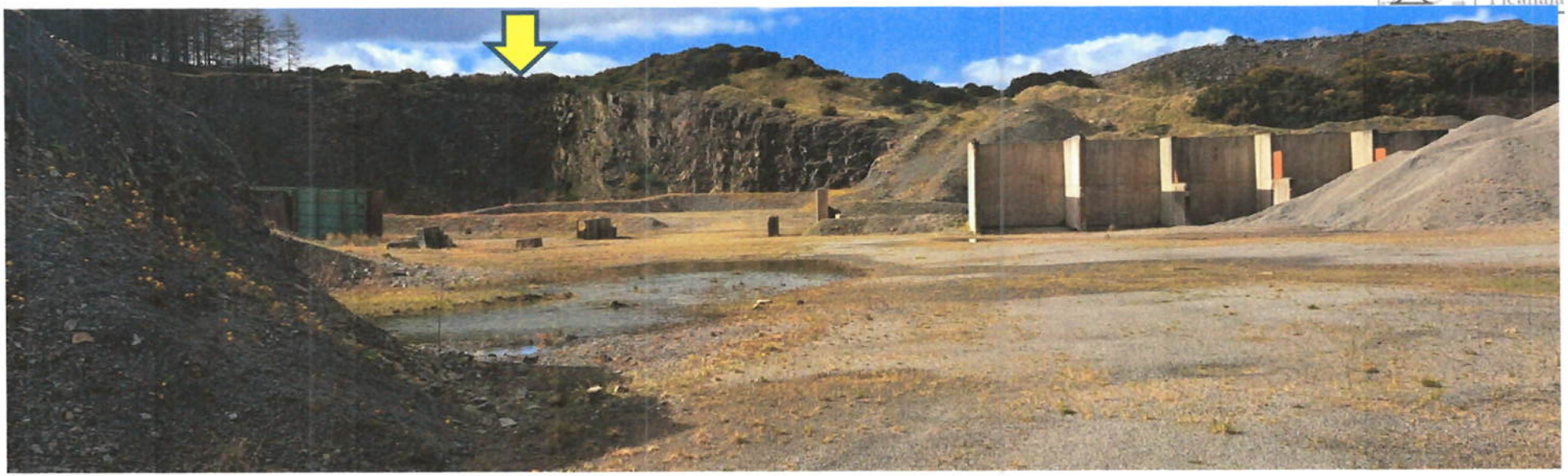
21. View of western quarry face where arrow is pointing



22. Undeveloped eastern portion of quarry currently covered in gorse bushes

23. Another view of the eastern portion of the quarry which is to be extracted during the lifetime of the quarry

24. The view of the quarry site on approach from the east along the R340

25. A view of the quarry on approach from the west along the R340. Third party appellant's house in the foreground

26. A view from the west towards the subject quarry