SITE SYNOPSIS

SITE NAME: DERNASLIGGAUN WOOD

SITE CODE: 001253

Dernasliggaun Wood is situated in the valley between Lough Fee and Killary Harbour, Co. Galway. The site is divided by the Bunowen River.

Sessile Oak (*Quercus petraea*) is dominant with a rich moss and lichen flora with characteristic western species, such as Tonbridge Filmy-fern (*Hymenophyllum tunbrigense*) and St. Patrick's-cabbage (*Saxifraga spathularis*).

The site is of importance because of the general lack of native deciduous woodlands in Ireland on the whole. Despite the small size of this woodland it does represent a rare and declining habitat and should therefore be managed and protected.

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