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SECTORS

Business & Tech-Enabled Services

DEAL TYPE

M&A Advisory

DEAL LOCATIONS



DEAL TEAM



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DC Advisory advises Scott Cawley Ltd on its sale to Origin Enterprises plc



Background

- Scott Cawley Ltd is Ireland's leading specialist ecological consultancy. Scott Cawley has over 20 years' expertise providing full-service ecological survey, impact assessment and advisory services to public and private sector organizations, and ESG related biodiversity advice for corporates
- Origin Enterprises plc champions sustainable land use through technically led solutions, empowering customers to enrich their land so it can achieve its true potential. Origin Enterprises has market positions in Ireland, the United Kingdom, Brazil, Poland and Romania, and is listed on the Euronext Growth Dublin market and the AIM market of the London Stock Exchange
- Origin's Living Landscapes division unites expertise across its businesses in the sports, landscapes, and environmental markets, providing future-ready agronomy, urban greening, and ecological conservation solutions

Process

- DC Advisory acted as the exclusive financial advisor to Scott Cawley on its sale to Origin Enterprises plc
- DC Advisory prepared sales materials, led market outreach and negotiated the key commercial terms of the transaction along with Scott Cawley's counsel, leveraging its deep knowledge and experience in the Irish Business Services sector

Outcome

- Origin Enterprises plc acquired Scott Cawley in March 2025
- Scott Cawley joins Origin’s portfolio of now seven environmental businesses offering ecological and environmental services such as planning consultancy, habitat management, and ecological assessments to organizations involved in land management, development, restoration, and conservation
- The acquisition brings Origin’s combined team of environmental professionals to 270+, including 175 ecologists, making the business a significant player in the UK and Ireland ecology and environmental markets
- This transaction further illustrates DC Advisory’s expertise in the Business Services sector in Ireland

“We are very grateful to Laurence and his team at DC Advisory for guiding us through our acquisition process. Their expertise, attention to detail and genuine commitment to ensuring the best outcome, gave us confidence from the first point of contact to post-completion tidying up. With their dedication and clear communication, we felt supported and confident every step of the way. I would highly recommend them to anyone looking for trusted, first-class corporate finance advice.”

Aebhín Cawley, Chief Executive Officer, Scott Cawley

“We were delighted to have supported the sale of Ireland’s market leading ecology consultancy, Scott Cawley. It’s been a privilege to work alongside this remarkable team with a clear vision and strategy. I am confident that Origin will be a tremendously supportive partner to Scott Cawley and will help it grow from strength to strength. I wish the entire team the very best for the future as they embark on this exciting chapter.”

Laurence O’Shaughnessy, Managing Director, DC Advisory

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