

## Compliance Assessment Report CAR\_NRW0045672

**Permit being assessed:** CB3237AP.

For: Gwynedd Skip And Plant Hire Ltd, held by Gwynedd Skip And Plant Hire Ltd  
At: Lon Hen Felin, Cibyn Ind Est, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 2BD.

**Type of assessment carried out:** Site Inspection, Reason: Incident Response (Incident number 2414279).

On 07/11/2024 - 15/11/2024 between 20:01 and 12:48.

Parts of permit assessed: As below.

**NRW Lead Officer:** Leon Williams, accompanied by Nia Brunning.

**Report sent to:** Huw Jones, Site Manager on 19/11/2024.

### 1. Summary of our findings (full details in section 4)

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
W2D - Waste - Operations - The site	Action only (X)	

Result types are explained in more detail in the 'Important Information' section below.

Total number of non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
0	0

How we use the non-compliance score to calculate your annual fee is explained in the 'Important Information' section below.

### 2. What action is required?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
W2D	All waste operations contained to within permitted site boundary as of 15 November 2024.	Already completed

Action criteria codes are listed in the 'Important information' section below.

### 3. What will happen next?

Any non-compliance we have identified and recorded on this form is an offence. It can result in criminal prosecution and/or suspension or revocation of your permit.

**At this time, we do not intend to take any further action.**

This statement does not stop us from taking additional enforcement action if further relevant information comes to light or offences continue.

### 4. Details of our assessment

On the 7 November 2024, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) received an incident report from North Wales Police (NWP) informing that a suspected human bone had been identified within the mixed waste stockpiles which were being sorted at Gwynedd Skip &

Plant Hire Ltd (GSPHL), Lon Hen Felin, Cibyn Industrial Estate, Caernarfon, Gwynedd, LL55 2BD.

NWP required the site cease accepting further waste whilst the mixed waste stockpiles could be searched. This search continued until Tuesday 12 November 2024.

This incident caused disruption and prevented GSPHL from importing and storing further waste at the permitted waste site.

A yard located at Lon Cae Darbi, Cibyn Industrial Estate, Caernarfon, LL55 2BD was utilised as a temporary waste storage facility for approximately 58 skips whilst the NWP search continued.

Such an activity would ordinarily be considered a permit breach of condition 2.2.1 of the site permit which requires all waste activities to be contained in the area outlined in schedule 7 of environmental permit CB3237AP.

Due to exceptional circumstances of this incident and not to impede NWP's investigation, GSPHL and NRW collaborated to implement preventative measures to minimise any potential environmental risks posed by the temporary storage of waste at Lon Cae Darbi.

A Schedule 5 notification was received from GSPHL on the 8 November 2024 to formally record the incident.

Evidence to exhibit the removal of all waste from the Lon Cae Darbi yard was received on the 15 November 2024.



**Upon conclusion of this incident please ensure that all waste storage and treatment activities are contained within the area outlined in schedule 7 of environmental permit CB3237AP.**

Thank you for your co-operation during this incident.

Diolch yn fawr,

Leon Williams

Uwch Swyddog Rheoleiddio Gwastraff / Senior Waste Regulation Officer

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If you have any queries about this report, or to discuss completion of any actions, please contact the NRW Officer named above.

## Important information

### Legal status of this report

Your permit is issued to you under the Environmental Permitting Regulations. You have a responsibility to comply with the conditions of your permit and prevent pollution/harm of the environment. You must also ensure that you comply with any other relevant legislation that may apply to your site's operations.

This report explains the findings of our assessment and any action you are required to take. We categorise non-compliance using our guidance for assessing non-compliance at regulated sites.

When we find potential non-compliance/s we will normally give you advice on how to maintain compliance.

To correct non-compliance, we may:

- require you to take specific actions
- issue a notice
- review the conditions of your permit.

Any advice and guidance we give will be without prejudice to any other enforcement response that we consider may be required.

### Assessment results and non-compliance categories (used in section 1):

Assessment result	Description
Assessed (A)	Assessed or assessed in part, no evidence of non-compliance found
Action only (X)	Action only relating to the activity assessment
Ongoing (O)	Ongoing non-compliance, not scored

Non-compliance category	Description	Score
C1 Major	Potential to have a major, serious, persistent and/or extensive impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	60
C2 Significant	Potential to have a significant impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	31
C3 Minor	Potential to have a minor or minimal impact or effect on the environment, people and/or property	4
C4 No environmental impact	Non-compliance at a regulated site that cannot foreseeably have any impact on the environment, people and/or property	0.1

### How we use assessment scores

The number and severity of non-compliances recorded in a year will affect your annual subsistence fee the following year. A non-compliance factor is added to your site's Operator

Performance Risk Appraisal (OPRA) score when we calculate your fee to reflect the additional resource we use to assess permit compliance.

### **What are suspended scores?**

In line with our guidance, we may suspend scores for up to six months to allow time for remedial action to be taken. Suspended scores will be re-instated if the action is not completed.

**Full list of Industry and Waste action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**

#### **A: Permitted activities**

- A1 Specified by permit

#### **B: Infrastructure**

- B1 Infrastructure – Engineering for prevention and control of emissions
- B2 Infrastructure – Closure and decommissioning
- B3 Infrastructure – Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)
- B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials
- B5 Infrastructure – Plant and equipment

#### **C: General management**

- C1 General management – Staff competency/training
- C2 General management – Management system and operating procedures
- C3 General management – Materials acceptance
- C4 General management – Storage, handling, labelling and segregation

#### **D: Incident management**

- D1 Incident management – Site security
- D2 Incident management – Accidents, emergency and incident planning

#### **E: Emissions**

- E1 Emissions – Air
- E2 Emissions – Land and groundwater
- E3 Emissions – Surface water
- E4 Emissions – Sewer
- E5 Emissions – Waste

#### **F: Amenity**

- F1 Amenity – Odour
- F2 Amenity – Noise
- F3 Amenity – Dust/fibres/particulates and litter
- F4 Amenity – Pests/birds and scavengers
- F5 Amenity – Deposits on road

#### **G: Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting**

- G1 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Monitoring of emissions and environment
- G2 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Records of activity, site diary/journal/events
- G3 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Maintenance records
- G4 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales

#### **H: Resources efficiency**

- H1 Resource efficiency – Efficient use of raw materials
- H2 Resource efficiency – Energy efficiency

### **Enforcement response**

Any permit condition non-compliance is an offence and we may take legal action against you. Action we take can include prosecution, serving a notice on you and/or suspension or revocation of your permit. See our Enforcement and Sanctions Guidance for further information.

### **Data protection notice**

You should make sure that anyone named in this report knows that the information it contains will be processed by Natural Resources Wales to fulfil its regulatory and monitoring functions and to maintain the relevant public register(s).

We may also use and/or disclose the report in connection with:

- offering or providing you with our literature or services relating to environmental matters
- consulting with the public, public bodies and other organisations (e.g. Health and Safety Executive, local authorities) on environmental issues
- carrying out statistical analysis, research and development on environmental issues
- providing public register information to enquirers
- investigating possible breaches of environmental law
- assessing customer service satisfaction and improving our service
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If you disagree with this compliance assessment report, you should contact the lead officer without delay to discuss your concerns.

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