

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0049294

Permit being assessed: AB3591CP

For: Beic Parcio Wales, held by Beic Parcio Cymru

At: Gethin Woodland Centre, Abercanaid, Merthyr Tydfil, CF48 1YZ.

Type of assessment carried out: Check Monitoring/Sampling, Reason: Other.
On 03/09/2025.

Parts of permit assessed: 3.1.2

NRW Lead Officer: Ceri Malone.

Report sent to: Lowri Jones, CAO Beic Parcio Cymru, on 03/09/2025.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
WQ-C1 - Water Quality - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to water	C1 Major	3.1 Emissions to water - 3.1.2 The limits given in schedule 3 shall not be exceeded.
WQ-C1 - Water Quality - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to water	C3 Minor	3.1 Emissions to water - 3.1.2 The limits given in schedule 3 shall not be exceeded.

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

2. What action is required?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
WQ-C1	Provide NRW with an update on the action plan and actions discussed on 14/08/2025. Complete this by 14/09/2025.	14/09/2025
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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.

You are non-compliant with your permit.

We are currently considering taking enforcement action against you for the non-compliance recorded above. We will contact you in due course.

4. Details of our assessment

Sample Exceedance Report

At 12:05 on 20th August 2025, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) Data Collection Officers took a water quality sample of the PTP final effluent at Beic Parcio Cymru (BPC) – permit AB3591CP. This was part of NRW's routine monitoring. The results of which are as follows:

Ammoniacal Nitrogen:

Permitted limit of 5.45 mg/l.

Sample result of 79 mg/l

Suspended Solids:

Permitted limit of 30 mg/l.

Sample result of 38 mg/l

BOD:

Permitted limit of 20 mg/l.

Sample result of 11.7 mg/l

Site History

These exceedances appear to be a continuation of problems with the discharge at BPC throughout 2025. Sampling results of the final PTP effluent can be found in the table below. A warning was issued to BPC on 25/06/2025 as a result of the 15/05/25 sample exceedance. This was part of CAR_NRW0048655. An action plan was implemented by BPC for remedial actions, also detailed in CAR_NRW0048655. This action plan is currently being implemented along with BPC's internal sampling of the effluent to prove effectiveness.

As a result of the previous exceedances two NRW Officers attended BPC on 14/08/25 to discuss action plan progress and to assess the PTP function/discharge. There was no visual sign of inadequate treatment on this occasion or adverse visual impact to the receiving watercourse.

BPC Sampling			
	Ammonia (mg/l)	Suspended Solids (mg/l)	BOD (mg/l)
15/05/25 (NRW)	0.5	61	6.4
12/06/25 (CM NRW)	0.5	6	4.88
14/07/25 (BPC Internal)	4.3	57	36
20/08/25 (NRW)	79	38	11.7

Compliance Limits	5.45	30	20
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Breaches of permit condition:

3.1 Emissions to water - 3.1.2 The limits given in schedule 3 shall not be exceeded. The samples show the following breaches of permit.

Ammoniacal Nitrogen: 79mg/l is a Cat 1 breach of permit condition 3.1.2.

Suspended Solids: 38mg/l is a Cat 3 breach of permit condition 3.1.2.

Action required by dates specified:

Provide NRW with an update on the action plan and actions discussed on 14/08/2025. Complete this by 14/09/2025.

Include updates on the following:

- The scheduled bike wash clearance.
- Grease trap installation.
- Any new sample results.
- External specialist emails confirming actions.
- Any other relevant updates.

Contact details:

If you have any queries regarding this CAR form or to provide an update on any actions above, please contact me using the following details: Ceri Malone, Environment Officer, Ceri.Malone@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

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

If your assessment result in Section 1 is suspended, what does this mean?

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

Full list of water quality action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**WQ A: Management**

- WQ-A1 General management

WQ B: Operations

- WQ-B1 Permitted activities
- WQ-B2 The site
- WQ-B3 Operating techniques
- WQ-B4 Improvement programme
- WQ-B5 Pre-operational conditions

WQ C: Emissions and monitoring

- WQ-C1 Emissions to water
- WQ-C2 Emissions to land
- WQ-C3 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits
- WQ-C4 Installation of monitoring boreholes

WQ D: Information

- WQ-D1 Records
- WQ-D2 Reporting
- WQ-D3 Notifications

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
- Freedom of Information Act or Environmental Information Regulations requests.

We may also pass it on to our agents or representatives to do these things on our behalf.

Disclosure of information – this report will be available to view on-line

If you think this report contains commercially confidential information that should not be placed on our public register, you must contact your local Natural Resources Wales office within **fifteen working days** of receiving this report, using the contact details in the accompanying email or letter. You must give a full explanation of why it should not be

added to our public register, including specifying which information is commercially confidential. We will assess your request and respond to you within 20 working days to let you know if we agree to your request.

What do I do if I disagree with the report or have a complaint?

If you disagree with this compliance assessment report, you should contact the lead officer without delay to discuss your concerns.

If you are unable to resolve the issue with the lead officer or their line manager you should contact our Customer Contact team on 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday 08:00 – 18:00), or email enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk for details of how to raise your dispute further through our Complaints and Commendations procedure.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you can contact the Public Services Ombudsman for Wales by phone on 0300 7900203 or by email at ask@ombudsman.wales

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