

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0043888

Permit being assessed: BH0071101

For: Letterston West Wastewater Treatment Works, **held by:** DWR CYMRU
CYFYNGEDIG

At: Track off St. David's Road, Letterston, Haverfordwest, Pembrokeshire, SA62 5SR.

Type of assessment carried out: Audit,

Reason: Routine.

On 25/01/2024, between 11:30 and 12:30.

Parts of permit assessed: All

NRW Lead Officer: Ross Grisbrook, accompanied by: Rod Thomas.

Report sent to: CARS@dwrwymru.com, CARS mailbox, on 22/01/2026.

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

| Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria) | Assessment result | Non-compliant permit condition |
|---|-------------------|--|
| WQ-C1 - Water Quality - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to water | C3 Minor | Table S3.1a, section A2, point source emissions to water. FPF 24.3l/s. |

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 | Diagnose reason for non-compliance and report to NRW what actions (and by when) will be put in place to ensure future FPF compliance. | 20/02/2026 |

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.

At this time, we are issuing you with a warning for the non-compliance recorded above. Warnings may influence future enforcement response for continued or further non-compliance.

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

The site consists of an inlet works/screen/storm overflow weir, a storm settlement tank, three rotating bio-contactors operating in parallel with treated effluent passing through a humus tank, thence to the discharge point with combined storm and final effluent outfall at the Western Cleddau.

Final effluent flow was reading 16.64 litres per second. The works was not passing flows to storm during the site visit. The final effluent looked visually clear. There were no problems apparent.

The permit BH0071101 has been varied and is effective on 04 April 2024. The variation (PAN-024625) adds a backstop phosphate limit and then a future tighter phosphate limit. The permit will be varied again soon to consolidate it with the storm discharge permit for the site and to add UMON3/4 conditions.

Please supply me with the last rolling year's storm spill data (date, time and duration) and the final effluent flow data over the same period.

08/12/25: Following receipt of data on 28/01/25, I will request further info from wastewater data team.

Date: 15/01/26 reply received from DCWW flows team to questions below:

1. The works has a flow passed forward of 24.3 l/s. Please confirm if the site is compliant.
2. The works has a dry weather flow of 510 m³ per day. Please confirm if the site is compliant.
3. Please confirm the number of spills for this asset during the period 01 December 2024 till 31 December 2025.

Replies as follows:

1. Following an assessment of the data, we can confirm that the site was non-compliant during 2024. **NON_COMPLIANT**.
2. Following an assessment of the data, we can confirm that the site was compliant for DWF during 2024:
Q80 = 300.24 m³/day
Q90 = 268.65 m³/day **COMPLIANT**
3. 16 spills during the period 01/12/2024 - 31/12/2024. **FOR INFO ONLY**.

Updated CAR form re-sent with non-compliance for Flows Passed Forwards. Please

respond with reason for non-compliance and details of proposed actions to ensure future FPF compliance.

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 required for the permit condition assessed to avoid non-compliance. No non-compliance scored at this time |
| 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 |

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 Monitoring
- WQ-C5 Installation of monitoring boreholes

WQ D: Information

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

Enforcement response

Any non-compliance with a permit condition 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 twenty working days to let you know if we agree to your request.

Disputing the Content of this Compliance Assessment Report Form

If you disagree with the content of this Compliance Assessment Report form, you should submit your concerns, in writing, to the regulating officer who issued it within **15 working days** of its issue. This will be treated as a **Stage 1 review**.

If you are not satisfied with the outcome of the stage 1 review, you may request a **Stage 2 appeal**. This request must be submitted **within 21 working days** of receiving the response from the stage 1 review.

Further details on our review and appeal process are available at: [Natural Resources Wales / Appeal a regulatory decision from Natural Resources Wales](#)

Concerns Not Related to the Content of this Compliance Assessment Report Form

If your concerns do not relate to the content of the Compliance Assessment Report form, you should first attempt to resolve the issue with the regulating officer or their line manager.

If the issue remains unresolved, please contact our **Customer Contact Team**:

- **Telephone:** 0300 065 3000 (Monday to Friday, 09:00–17:00)
- **Email:** enquiries@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk

They will provide details on how to escalate your concerns through our **Complaints and Commendations procedure**.

If you are dissatisfied with our response, you may contact the **Public Services Ombudsman for Wales**:

- **Telephone:** 0300 790 0203
- **Email:** ask@ombudsman.wales

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