

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0050733

Permit being assessed: BP3532HX.

For: Newport Ceramic Works EPR/BP3532HX, **held by:** Kennametal UK Ltd

At: Leeway Industrial Estate Lake Road , Newport, South Wales, NP19 4SR.

Type of assessment: Report/Data Review,

Reason: Routine.

On: 31/12/2025.

Parts of permit assessed: See comments section below.

NRW Lead Officer: David Thomson.

Report sent to: Redacted, QESH Manager, on 17/02/2026.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (compliance criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
IR4B - Installations - Information - Reporting	Action only (X)	

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

Total 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
IR4B	The operator shall submit future performance parameter data using the reporting forms specified in Schedule 5 Table S5.4 (i.e., water usage 1, energy 1 and performance 1). These forms should be signed and dated by an authorised person prior to submission. Please also include copies of submissions suitable for upload to the NRW Public Register with names, signatures and contact information redacted.	Already completed

Compliance 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

Assessment Details

The purpose of this Compliance Assessment Report (CAR) is to record Natural Resources Wales' (hereafter NRW) assessment of Kennametal UK Limited's (hereafter the operator) annual performance parameter submission (January to December 2025) against the reporting requirements of their environmental permit.

Reporting (IR4B)

Environmental permit condition 4.2.1 states:

A report or reports on the performance of the activities over the previous year shall be submitted to the Agency by 31 January (or other date agreed in writing by the Agency) each year. The report(s) shall include as a minimum:

(a) a review of the results of the monitoring and assessment carried out in accordance with this permit against the relevant assumptions, parameters and results in the assessment of the impact of the emissions submitted with the application;

(b) where the operator's management system encompasses annual improvement targets, a summary report of the previous year's progress against such targets;

(c) the annual production / treatment data set out in schedule 5 table S5.2;

(d) the performance parameters set out in schedule 5 table S5.3 using the forms specified in table S5.4 of that schedule; and

(e) details of any contamination or decontamination of the site which has occurred.

Table S5.2 of Schedule 5 to the environmental permit is reproduced below:

Table 5.2 Annual production/treatment	
Parameter	Units
Titanium diboride	Tonnes
Boron nitride	Tonnes

Table S5.3 of Schedule 5 to the environmental permit is reproduced below:

Table S5.3 Performance Parameters		
Parameter	Frequency of assessment	Units
Water usage	Annually	Tonnes/tonne product
Energy usage	Annually	MWh/tonne product
Effluent released	Annually	Tonnes/tonne product

Table S5.4 of Schedule 5 to the environmental permit is partially reproduced below:

Table S5.4 Reporting forms		
Media / Parameter	Reporting format	Date of form
Water usage	Form water usage1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Agency	06/08/07
Energy Usage	Form energy 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Agency	06/08/07
Other performance indicators	Form performance 1 or other form as agreed in writing by the Agency	06/08/07

4.1.2 Compliance Assessment

1. Performance parameter data (i.e., for water usage, energy usage and effluent release) was submitted by the operator via email on 26 January 2026 (document reference: *Sust_Report_2025*).
2. The performance parameter data submission was made before 31 January 2026 which represents compliance with the environmental permit.
3. The performance parameter data submission is for the reporting period specified in Schedule 5 Table S5.3 which represents compliance with the environmental permit.
4. Performance parameter data was not submitted using the forms specified in Schedule 5 Table S5.4, however, all of the information required by the reporting forms (i.e., *water usage 1, energy 1 and performance 1*) was provided by the operator which represents compliance with the environmental permit.

Compliance Classification Scheme (CCS): *There are no occurrences of non-compliance with permit condition 4.2.1.*

Actions: *The operator shall submit future performance parameter data using the reporting forms specified in Schedule 5 Table S5.4 (i.e., water usage 1, energy 1 and performance 1). These forms should be signed and dated by an authorised person prior to submission. Please also include copies of submissions suitable for upload to the NRW Public Register with names, signatures and contact information redacted.*

Consolidation of Non-Compliance Scores

Consolidation of CCS scores is not required.

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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 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	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.

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

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 compliance criteria (used in section 1 and 2):

1. Management

- IR1A – General management
- IR1B – Finance (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR1C – Energy efficiency
- IR1D - Efficient use of raw materials
- IR1E - Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities
- IR1F - Multiple operator installations

2. Operations

- IR2A – Permitted activities
- IR2B – The site
- IR2C – Operating techniques
- IR2D – Technical requirements
- IR2E – Improvement programme
- IR2F – Pre-operational conditions
- IR2G – Landfill engineering (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2H – Waste acceptance (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2I – Leachate levels (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2J – Closure and aftercare (only applicable to Landfill)
- IR2K – Landfill gas management (only applicable to Landfill)

3. Emission and Monitoring

- IR3A(1) – Emissions to water
- IR3A(2) – Emissions to air
- IR3A(3) – Emissions to land
- IR3B – Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits
- IR3C – Odour
- IR3D – Noise and vibration
- IR3E – Monitoring
- IR3F – Pests
- IR3G – Air quality management plans
- IR3H – Monitoring for the purposes of the Industrial Emissions Directive (this heading includes Large Combustion Plants)
- IR3I – Fire

4. Information

- IR4A – Records
- IR4B – Reporting
- IR4C – Notification

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

Welsh Language Standards

We are committed to establishing Natural Resources Wales as a naturally bilingual organisation. We will provide compliance reports in your preferred language.