

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0051025

Permit being assessed: BB3895ZN

For: CSO at End of Railway Terrace, Ogmore Vale, **held by:** DWR CYMRU
CYFYNGEDIG

At: Railway Terrace, Ogmore Vale, Bridgend, CF32 7DG.

Type of assessment carried out: Site Inspection,

Reason: Routine.

On 26/02/2026, between 13:30 and 13:50.

Parts of permit assessed: Conditions 1,2 &3

NRW Lead Officer: Natalie Wrangham.

Report sent to: CARS@dwrwymru, mailbox, on 12/03/2026.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Non-compliant permit condition
WQ-A1 - Water Quality - Management - General management	Assessed (A)	
WQ-B1 - Water Quality - Operations - Permitted activities	Assessed (A)	
WQ-B2 - Water Quality - Operations - The site	Action only (X)	
WQ-B4 - Water Quality - Operations - Improvement programme	C4 No impact	2.4.1 The Operator shall complete the improvements specified in schedule 1 table S1.3 by the date specified in that table unless otherwise agreed in writing by Natural Resources Wales

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

2. What action is required?

Criteria	Action needed	Complete by
WQ-B2	Confirm discharge location	30/04/2026
WQ-B4	None	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

Site Report

Senior Environment Officer for Cwm Taf and Bridgend Environment Team attended site with DCWW Pollution Prevention Technician for Neath Port Talbot and Bridgend, and DCWW Network Engineer to carry out compliance inspections of Combined Sewer Overflows (CSOs). The weather was moderate to heavy rain.

This report is for the inspection of the asset permitted by permit number EPR/BB3895ZN - CSO at End of Railway Terrace, Ogmere Vale.

The improvement programme form submitted by DCWW states that there is no screening or storage provision at this asset, with the overflow weir setting at 3.811/s. All storm overflows are subject to assessment in accordance with published GN066 guidance which will classify the performance of the asset. The classification will be used to plan and prioritise improvements to bring all storm overflows up to satisfactory status.

During the inspection of the asset we were unable to verify the location of the discharge, which did not appear to be in the permitted location. We dye traced the asset but were still unsuccessful. It is suspected the overflow may be piped to a different outfall location (see image 1). Inspection of the chamber showed the asset was not discharging at the time of inspection (see image 2). We were therefore unable to complete an inspection of the outfall to the river for signs of sewage fungus or debris.



Image 1 - pipework in permitted discharge location



Image 2 - Overflow pipe in chamber

According to the DCWW storm overflow map the Event Duration Monitoring (EDM) for this

asset states it previously overflowed on 12/09/2025 between 19:45 and 20:00.

Breaches of permit conditions

- Condition 2.2.1 - *The discharge activity shall take place at the discharge point marked on the site plan at Schedule 7 to this permit and as listed in table S3.2 - action only*
- Condition 2.4.1 *The Operator shall complete the improvements specified in schedule 1 table S1.3 by the date specified in that table unless otherwise agreed in writing by Natural Resources Wales. Table S1.3 in schedule 1 states that the operator shall provide the improvement programme requirements by 2 years from the date of issue of the permit. The permit was issued on 13/11/2020, however the improvement form was not submitted until 16/03/2023. This has been given a category 4 non compliance as there was no potential impact on the environment.*

Actions required

- Confirm the location the asset discharges to the receiving waterbody - by **30/04/2026**

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 email addresses:

natalie.wrangham@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk

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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 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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