

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0051245

Permit being assessed: AN0385601

For: GELLI SPOIL TIP NANT Y GWYDDON, **held by:** AMGEN RHONDDA LTD

At: GELLI SPOIL TIP, NANT Y GWYDDON LANDFILL SITE, GELLI, RHONDDA CYNON TAFF, CF41 7TL.

Type of assessment carried out: Site Inspection,

Reason: Routine.

On 18/03/2026, between 10:00 and 11:30.

Parts of permit assessed: All

NRW Lead Officer: Natalie Wrangham.

Report sent to: Amgen RCTCBC, Landfill operator, on 31/03/2026.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Non-compliant permit condition
WQ-C1 - Water Quality - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to water	C4 No impact	1.3.1 The outlet to controlled waters shall be constructed and maintained so that a representative sample of the discharge may be obtained at National Grid Reference SS 98370 94214 as shown marked 'SAMPLE POINT' on the site plan attached to this consent.
WQ-B1 - Water Quality - Operations - Permitted activities	Assessed (A)	

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	Create and maintain access to sample location	18/08/2026

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.

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

On 18/03/2026 Natural Resources Wales Senior Environment Officer from the Cwm Taf and Bridgend Environment Team carried out a compliance inspection of water quality discharge permit references AN0308201, AN0308301, AN0385601, AN0011701 and AN0320901 for Gelli spoil tip / Nant y Gwyddon landfill site. I was accompanied by Amgen Rhondda Cynon Taff County Borough Council Landfill Technician / Manager. The weather was dry and bright.

This report is for permit reference AN0385601 – Site drainage from surface water run-off from Gelli spoil tip. The surface water drains to the Nant Gwyddon. I was unable to access outfall due to overgrown vegetation, but channel appeared dry (see image 1).



Image 1: Discharge and sampling location beyond vegetation.

A monitoring point 'surface water 1' on the Nant y Gwyddon near National Grid Reference SS 98846 94546 near to Nant y Gwyddon road, is monitored by the Operator.

This site is no longer an operational landfill and is undergoing remediation / regeneration. The majority of the surface of this site is now vegetated with no evidence of contaminated surface water discharge.

Breaches of permit conditions

1.3 Sampling point requirements

1.3.1 *The outlet to controlled waters shall be constructed and maintained so that a representative sample of the discharge may be obtained at National Grid Reference SS 98370 94214 as shown marked 'SAMPLE POINT' on the site plan attached to this consent.* We were unable to access the sample point due to overgrown vegetation, see image 1. This has been marked as a category 4 non-compliance as I am aware of a monitoring location used downstream by the Operator, as described above, but this is not the location required by the permit, and the permitted sampling point was unaccessible during the inspection.

Actions required

- Ensure access is available to permitted sampling location - by **18th August 2026**

Other advisory comments

I recommend that the Operator consider whether this permit is still required and advise

surrendering the permit if it is no longer required. Alternatively you may need to vary the permit to include the new monitoring and sample location. Further information on surrendering permits can be found on NRW's website [Natural Resources Wales / Surrendering \(giving up\) your permit for water discharges](#)

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:

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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.

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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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