

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0050261

Permit being assessed: AB3092FR.

For: Llantrisant Recycling, **held by:** Llantrisant Recycling Centre Limited

At: Llantrisant Recycling, Pantybrad Lane, Llantrisant, Pontyclun, CF72 8YY.

Type of assessment: Check Monitoring/Sampling,

Reason: Routine.

On: 19/12/2025.

Parts of permit assessed: W4B - Reporting .

NRW Lead Officer: Daniel Hopkin.

Report sent to: George Harvey , Environmental Manager , on 30/12/2025.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (compliance criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
W4B - Waste - Information - Reporting	C3 Minor	S4.1, 4.2.3

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

Total non-compliances recorded	Total non-compliance score
1	4

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
W4B	Please provide the bio-aerosol monitoring reports for the 2024 and 2025 period, bioaerosol testing must be done in line with the agreement made with NRW. Please provide these by the 09/01/2026. Following this decision by NRW, please write to us with the dates (bi-annually) Llantrisant Recycling Ltd are intending to undertake the bio-aerosol monitoring going forward. Testing should be carried out during typical operational activities and accounting for seasonal variations.	09/01/2026

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

Llantrisant Recycling Centre – EPR/ AB3092FR

Llantrisant Recycling Centre Limited hold a Tier 3 bespoke permit for their site at Pantybrad Lane, Llantrisant, Pontyclun, CF72 8YY. On the 19th of December 2025 Waste Regulation Officer Daniel Hopkin undertook a desktop review of the site's bio-aerosol submissions.

Bio-aerosol monitoring

This is a reminder of the agreement made with Natural Resources Wales (NRW) to reduce the frequency of monitoring of bio-aerosols as required by the permit. We received a request from the operator in November 2023 to reduce the monitoring frequency of bio-aerosols. NRW agreed to this request in February 2024 and officer Bailey emailed the site at the time to acknowledge this. The agreement was as follows:

“We can confirm that based on the supplied monitoring data summary for airborne mesophilic bacteria and Aspergillus fumigatus concentrations between December 2017 and September 2023 that a reduction of the existing monitoring regime to biannual is not likely to present an increased risk of failure to identify exposure to monitored bioaerosol concentrations exceeding current guideline levels at identified receptors.

Any reduction in monitoring frequency assumes that the site continues to adhere to current operational procedures designed to minimise exposure at offsite receptors as a result of site operations. Revised monitoring should be carried out during typical operational activities likely to generate airborne bioaerosols and at times representative of any seasonal variation in bioaerosol production which also captures periods where materials on site are at or as near to maximum capacity as normal operations allow.

Should subsequent monitoring results indicate that there is a risk of exceeding guideline levels at nearby receptors, the monitoring frequency will be reviewed to determine whether it should be increased along with a review of current site operational procedures associated with mitigating bioaerosol production and dispersion offsite.”

We have not received any bio-aerosol reports from you since September 2023. This is a breach of the permit as outlined below.

W4B – Reporting

Permit condition Table S4.1 Reporting of monitoring data states:

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Parameter	Emission or monitoring point/reference	Reporting period	Period begins
Bioaerosol monitoring as required by condition 3.7.1(c)	In accordance with M9 – Technical Guidance Note.	Every 4 months or as agreed in writing by Natural Resources Wales	1 January, 1 May, 1 September

Permit condition 4.2.3 Reporting also states:

“Within 28 days of the end of the reporting period the operator shall, unless otherwise agreed in writing by Natural Resources Wales, submit reports of the monitoring and assessment carried out in accordance with the conditions of this permit, as follows:

(a) in respect of the parameters and emission points specified in schedule 4 table S4.1;

(b) for the reporting periods specified in schedule 4 table S4.1 and using the forms specified in schedule 4 table S4.1, 4.2 and (c) giving the information from such results and assessments as may be required by the forms specified in those tables”

All bio-aerosol test results must be submitted to Natural Resources Wales within 28 days of the end of the reporting period. Failure to submit these results to NRW constitutes a category 3 (minor) breach of permit condition 4.2 reporting and has been recorded under sub-criteria W4B Reporting.

Actions:

Please provide the bio-aerosol monitoring reports for the 2024 and 2025 period, bio-aerosol testing must be done in line with the agreement made with NRW. Please provide these by the 09/01/2026.

Following this decision by NRW, please write to us with the dates (bi-annually) Llantrisant Recycling Ltd are intending to undertake the bio-aerosol monitoring going forward. Testing should be carried out during typical operational activities and accounting for seasonal variations.

Once we have received the reports, we will review these in line with the permit and the NRW agreement, details of which will be included in an additional CAR.

If you have any queries regarding this Compliance Assessment Report, please contact me on the details below.

Thank you,

Daniel Hopkin

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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 only relating to the activity assessment
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 Waste compliance criteria (used in section 1 and 2):

1. Management

- W1A – General management
- W1B – Energy Efficiency (MCP/SG facilities only)
- W1C – Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities

2. Operations

- W2A – Permitted activities
- W2B – Waste recovery plan
- W2C – Operating techniques
- W2D – The site
- W2E – Waste acceptance
- W2F – Technical requirements
- W2G – Improvement programme
- W2H – Pre-operational conditions

3. Emission and Monitoring

- W3A – Emissions to water, air or land
- W3B – Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits
- W3C – Odour
- W3D – Noise and vibration
- W3E – Monitoring
- W3F – Pests
- W3G – Fire

4. Information

- W4A – Records
- W4B – Reporting
- W4C – 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.

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 to 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

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.