

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0052206

Permit being assessed: YP3695EV.

For: Central Depot, **held by:** Blaenau Gwent County Borough Council

At: Brynmawr, Ebbw Vale, Blaenau Gwent, NP23 4YF.

Type of assessment: Site Inspection,

Reason: Routine.

On: 23/06/2026 between 10:00 and 10:30.

Parts of permit assessed: various.

NRW Lead Officer: Mark ogorman.

Report sent to: Noel Chard, technically competent manager , on 30/06/2026.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (compliance criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
W1A - Waste - Management - General management	Assessed (A)	
W2A - Waste - Operations - Permitted activities	Assessed (A)	
W2D - Waste - Operations - The site	Assessed (A)	
W3C - Waste - Emissions and monitoring - Odour	Assessed (A)	
W3D - Waste - Emissions and monitoring - Noise and vibration	Assessed (A)	
W4A - Waste - Information - Records	Assessed (A)	
W3A(1) - Waste - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to water	Assessed (A)	
W3A(2) - Waste - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to air	Assessed (A)	
W3A(3) - Waste - Emissions and monitoring - Emissions to land	Assessed (A)	

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?

No action required.

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

Natural Resources Wales (NRW) Waste Regulation Officer Mark O'GORMAN and Enforcement Officer Ian JONES attended Barley Industrial Estate, Brynmawr, Gwent, NP23 4YF at 10.00am on Tuesday 23rd June 2026 to conduct a planned site visit and inspection for the full surrender of Permit EPR-YP3695EV. During the inspection the weather conditions were dry, clear and warm. At the time of the inspection the site was non-operational and the permitted boundary was closed off with Heras fencing. NRW officers O'GORMAN and JONES met with the site manager, who showed NRW officers around the permitted area and explained their plans to develop the site's infrastructure once the surrender has been finalised. No offensive odours or noises were witnessed by NRW officers during the inspection.

The dewatering facility has not been in use since mid-2025. The permit holder will retain ownership of the site area who wish to surrender the permit in order to develop the site's infrastructure.

To confirm, based upon the type of permit held by BGCBC, Permit Number EPR-YP3695EV and operations previously undertaken on site, it is my recommendation that this permit would be eligible for a low-risk surrender.

During the inspection it was discussed that waste returns for the site must still be submitted (even nil returns) until the permit surrender is finalised.



Image 1 shows the dewatering bay for the site's permitted activity. The bay has not been operational since mid-2025.



Image 2 shows the wider area of the dewatering bay. Heras fencing has been placed to secure the site from intrusion and misuse.



Image 3 shows the area behind the dewatering bay which is adequately secure and free of litter.

ACTIONS

Please ensure that waste returns, including nil returns are submitted until the surrender is finalised.

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Technically competent manager is Noel Chard who holds a current certificate at the time of the inspection

WASTE RETURNS

Waste returns for this site are up to date and were checked prior to the inspection on 23/06/2026

Waste returns for this permit are quarterly and need to be submitted prior to the deadline dates below.

Deadlines for submitting waste returns

Quarterly returns

Quarters	Deadline for return
January 1 to March 31	April 30
April 1 to June 30	July 31
July 1 to September 30	October 31
October 1 to December 31	January 31

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 details: Mark O’GORMAN, Waste Regulation Officer, mark.ogorman@naturalresourceswales.gov.uk, 03000654279.

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 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(1) – Emissions to water
- W3A(2) – Emissions to air
- W3A(3) – Emissions to 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.

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.