

Natural Resources Wales permitting decisions

Bespoke permit

We have decided to grant the permit for Ynyston Farmhouse, Eston Barn, Istwyn Barn, Ty Llaeth and Ishton Barn operated by Mr Julian Keogh.

The application number is PAN-008972

The permit number is EPR-BB3697FA

The discharge is for The package treatment plant and infiltration system serves 5 domestic properties. It is an existing system having been in place prior to 2010. The effluent of 6.48m³/day is domestic in nature.

We consider in reaching that decision we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements and that the permit will ensure that the appropriate level of environmental protection is provided.

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Purpose of this document

This decision document:

- explains how the application has been determined
- provides a record of the decision-making process
- shows how all relevant factors have been taken into account
- justifies the specific conditions in the permit other than those in our generic permit template.

Unless the decision document specifies otherwise we have accepted the applicant's proposals.

Structure of this document

- Annex 1 the decision checklist
- Annex 2 the web publicising response

Annex 1: decision checklist

This checklist should be read in conjunction with the Duly Making checklist.

Aspect	Justification / Detail	Criteria met
		Yes
Consultation		
Scope of consultation	The consultation requirements were identified and implemented. The decision was taken in accordance with RGN 6 High Profile Sites, our Public Participation Statement and our Working Together Agreements.	✓
Responses to web publicising	<p>The web publicising responses (Annex 2) were taken into account in the decision.</p> <p>One response was received from a member of the public. The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance.</p>	✓
Operator		
Control of the facility	We are satisfied that the applicant (now the operator) is the person who will have control over the operation of the facility after the grant of the permit. The decision was taken in accordance with EPR RGN 1 Understanding the meaning of operator.	✓
European Directives		
Applicable directives	All applicable European directives have been considered in the determination of the application.	✓
The site		
Extent of the site of the facility	<p>The operator has provided a plan which we consider is satisfactory, showing the extent of the site of the facility including discharge points.</p> <p>A plan is included in the permit and the operator is required to carry on the permitted activities within the site boundary.</p>	✓
Environmental Risk Assessment and operating techniques		
Environmental risk	<p>We have carried out a risk assessment on behalf of the operator.</p> <p>The operator considers this risk assessment is satisfactory.</p>	✓

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		Yes
Operating techniques	<p>We have reviewed the techniques used by the operator and compared these with the relevant guidance notes.</p> <p>The proposed techniques / emission levels for priorities for control are in line with the benchmark levels contained in the TGN and we consider them to represent appropriate techniques for the facility.</p>	✓
The permit conditions		
Improvement conditions	<p>Based on the information on the application, we consider that we need to impose improvement conditions.</p> <p>We have imposed improvement conditions to ensure that: The package treatment plant is designed to treat the incoming flow and that a maintenance programme is in place. The infiltration system is in full working order following the inspection and assessment of the system by a suitable drainage specialist. The infiltration system is built to the standards in force at the time of installation.</p>	✓
Considerations of foul sewer	We agree with the operators justification for not connecting to foul sewer.	✓
Operator Competence		
Environment Management System	There is no known reason to consider that the operator will not have the management systems to enable it to comply with the permit conditions. The decision was taken in accordance with RGN 5 on Operator Competence.	✓
Sustainable Management of Natural Resources (SMNR)		
Considerations of SMNR - Compliance with our General Purpose	We are satisfied that this decision is compatible with our general purpose of pursuing the sustainable management of natural resources in relation to Wales and applying the principles of sustainable management of natural resources"	✓

Annex 2: Publicising responses

Summary of responses to web publication and the way in which we have taken these into account in the determination process. (Newspaper advertising is only carried out for certain application types, in line with our guidance.)

Response received from
Member of the public
Brief summary of issues raised
Concerns regarding the discharge volume, maintenance of the system and the construction of the infiltration system were raised.
Summary of actions taken or show how this has been covered
The comments were considered and improvement conditions, as stated above in 'the permit conditions' have been included in the permit.