

Compliance Assessment Report CAR_NRW0037157

Permit being assessed: BP3330LS.

For: Ty Mawr Farm Landfill, held by Griffiths Griffith Wyn, Edward Lloyd And Gwenfrai Rees

At: Betws Yn Rhos, Abergele, Conwy, LL22 8AA.

Type of assessment carried out: Site Inspection, Reason: Routine.

On 02/10/2020 between 11:00 and 12:00.

Parts of permit assessed: See Below

NRW Lead Officer: Philip Harper, accompanied by David Wilby.

Report sent to: Griffith Wyn Griffiths, Operator on 02/12/2020.

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

Part of permitted activity assessed (criteria)	Assessment result	Permit condition
A1 - Specified by permit	Assessed (A)	
C1 - General Management - Staff competency/training	Assessed (A)	
C3 - General Management - Materials acceptance	Assessed (A)	
F1 - Amenity - Odour	Assessed (A)	
F2 - Amenity - Noise	Assessed (A)	
F3 - Amenity - Dust/fibres/particulates and litter	Assessed (A)	
F4 - Amenity - Pests/birds and scavengers	Assessed (A)	
F5 - Amenity - Deposits on road	Assessed (A)	
G1 - Monitoring and Records, Maintenance and Reporting - Monitoring of emissions and environment	C3 Minor	3.6.3

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

Total number of 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
G1	Arrange for a topographical survey to be carried out as soon as possible	31/12/2020

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.

You are non-compliant with your permit.

At this time, we are issuing you with a warning for the non-compliance recorded above. Warnings may influence future enforcement response for continued or further non-compliance.

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

NRW officers Phil Harper and David Wilby visited Ty Mawr Farm Landfill, Ty Mawr Farm, Llanfair Road, Abergele, LL22 8AA on the 2nd of October 2020 at 11:00. Griffith Wyn Griffiths accompanied the inspection. The site was operational at the time of inspection.

Weather conditions were overcast with intermittent showers.

Due to the COVID19 pandemic this was a pre-arranged inspection. The operator was informed a day prior to the inspection that NRW officers would be performing an inspection of the **permitted site and operations only** and that officers would **not** be entering premises such as the office or other enclosed buildings to inspect paperwork.

These considerations due to the COVID19 pandemic were highlighted to the operator again at the time of the inspection.

Waste Deposit outside Permitted Area.

Waste has been deposited and compacted on the area of ground in front of the office building. While bunds have been constructed out of waste on the trackway leading from the office to the tipping face. During the inspection officers were informed that this waste was deposited to direct water flow away from the tipping face.



This deposit is outside the permitted operational area however, it has been noted that a U1 exemption is registered at Ty Mawr Ucha. There are specific waste acceptance and activity criteria for a U1 exemption. Please ensure you review this activity and keep to the criteria.

Action: Please send waste transfer notes, showing types and quantities of waste deposited in this area for review by **Friday 18th December 2020**.

Waste Acceptance

No waste types other than those listed within the permit were observed within the waste mass.

G1 Monitoring and Records, Maintenance & Reporting.

Topographical Survey

In a CAR form that was issued by NRW officer Julie Hughes on the 20/06/2019 it was highlighted that topographical survey had not been carried out at Ty Mawr Ucha for several years. It is understood that a topographical survey was not conducted in 2019 despite the provision of this advice.

A **category 3 breach** has been applied with respect to permit condition **3.6.3(a)** **"A topographical survey of the site referenced to Ordnance Datum shall be carried out annually."**

A warning letter has been embedded within this CAR form.

Continued Competency- WAMITAB

Natural Resources Wales has received evidence of the WAMITAB qualification for Edward Griffiths who is the Technically Competent Manager at Ty Mawr Ucha permit no. EPR:BP3330LS with thanks.

No issues have been noted.

F1 Odour

No odours on site or outside of the site boundary.

F2 Noise

Site was operational during the inspection, no excessive noise.

F3 Dust/fibres/particulates and litter

No dust on site, no litter outside of the site boundary.

F4 Pests/birds and scavengers

No vermin on site.

F5 Deposits on road

No deposits or mud on the road outside the site.

Environmental Management System

Please submit the site Environment Management System for review and for NRW records by **Friday 18th December 2020**.

Waste Transfer Notes

Waste transfer notes have been received with thanks. A review of paperwork will be conducted in due course.

Gas Monitoring

By email, please can you contact me to let me know when you are next going to do your gas monitoring.

Kind Regards

Phil Harper

Industry and Waste Regulation Officer NW

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Please note any reference within the CAR/ permit to the Environment Agency means Natural Resources Wales.

In this document 'Natural Resources Wales' means the Natural Resources Body for Wales established by Article 3 of the Natural Resources Body for Wales (Establishment) order 2012.

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.

What are suspended scores?

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 Industry and Waste action criteria (used in section 1 and 2):**A: Permitted activities**

- A1 Specified by permit

B: Infrastructure

- B1 Infrastructure – Engineering for prevention and control of emissions
- B2 Infrastructure – Closure and decommissioning
- B3 Infrastructure – Site drainage engineering (clean and foul)
- B4 Infrastructure – Containment of stored materials
- B5 Infrastructure – Plant and equipment

C: General management

- C1 General management – Staff competency/training
- C2 General management – Management system and operating procedures
- C3 General management – Materials acceptance
- C4 General management – Storage, handling, labelling and segregation

D: Incident management

- D1 Incident management – Site security
- D2 Incident management – Accidents, emergency and incident planning

E: Emissions

- E1 Emissions – Air
- E2 Emissions – Land and groundwater
- E3 Emissions – Surface water
- E4 Emissions – Sewer
- E5 Emissions – Waste

F: Amenity

- F1 Amenity – Odour
- F2 Amenity – Noise
- F3 Amenity – Dust/fibres/particulates and litter
- F4 Amenity – Pests/birds and scavengers
- F5 Amenity – Deposits on road

G: Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting

- G1 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Monitoring of emissions and environment
- G2 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Records of activity, site diary/journal/events
- G3 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Maintenance records
- G4 Monitoring and records, maintenance and reporting – Reporting and notification to Natural Resources Wales

H: Resources efficiency

- H1 Resource efficiency – Efficient use of raw materials
- H2 Resource efficiency – Energy efficiency

Enforcement response

Any permit condition non-compliance 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 20 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 – 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.