

Natural Resources Wales permitting decisions

Bespoke permit

We have decided to grant the permit for Land at Castell-Y-Geifr operated by Mr David Hywel Rees & Mr Evan Euryl Rees.

The application number is PAN-002703

The permit number is EPR/AB3996FY

The permit regulates the discharge of used organophosphate sheep dip diluted to a ratio of 1 part dip to 3 parts water or slurry at Castell -Y-Geifr. A total volume of 12.72 cubic metres is to be discharged once a year in September using a vacuum tanker. The discharge will take place on an appropriately sized area of land.

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.

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 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.	There were no responses to web publicising. The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance.	✓
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	The operator has provided a plan which we consider is satisfactory, showing the extent of the site of the facility including discharge points. A plan is included in the permit and the operator is required to carry on the permitted activities within the site boundary.	✓
Habitat Regulation Assessment for a designated site under the EU Habitats Directive	No FORM 1 completed: HRA is not required because there is no conceivable impact pathway to any Natura 2000/Ramsar site Note: From OGN 200 - no conceivable impact on any Natura 2000 site, by virtue of the scale or location or nature of the project. There were no Natura 2000 or RAMSAR sites within a screening distance of 1km.	

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		Yes
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> <p>The assessment shows that, applying the conservative criteria in our guidance on Environmental Risk Assessment all emissions may be categorised as environmentally insignificant.</p>	✓
Operating techniques	<p>We have reviewed the techniques used by the operator and compared these with the relevant guidance notes.</p> <p>Operator proposed measures comply with EPR 7.01 and accepted practice detailed in Sheep dip: groundwater protection code.</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		
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.	✓