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Abstract: This report details the Annual Environmental Report for the Knockharley Landfill, Co. Meath for the reporting period from 1 January 2012 to 31 December 2013. This report was prepared in order to fully comply with the requirements of the EPA Waste Licence Reg. No. W0146-02.

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Section 1

Introduction



1. INTRODUCTION

The Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) issued Greenstar with Waste Licence Reg. No. W0146-01 for a landfill at Knockharley, Navan, Co. Meath on 19 of March, 2003. A revision of the licence, W0146-02 was issued by the EPA on 23 of March 2010.

The site is located in a rural area, approximately 1.5 km north of Kentstown Village and 7 km south of Slane, just off the N2 (Dublin to Derry Road). The licensed area encompasses 135.2 ha. The landfill footprint, where waste is deposited in engineered landfill cells, is located in the centre of the site and will eventually occupy an area of approximately 25 ha. A buffer of 100 m is maintained between the active landfill footprint and the site boundary.

The facility has been in operation since 2004 and is being developed on a phased basis. Final capping of the perimeter of Cells 1 to 4 was completed in 2009 with the remainder of Cells 1 to 4 capped in 2012, once final height had been achieved. Final capping of Cells 5 to 8 was completed during 2013. Cells 11 and 12 were constructed during 2009 and waste placement commenced in Cell 12 during 2012. Nineteen additional landfill gas extraction wells were drilled and installed during April 2013 in Cell 12.

Greenstar retained Fehily Timoney & Company (FTC) to compile the Annual Environmental Report (AER) for the facility for the reporting period January 2013 to December 2013. This report has been prepared in accordance with Condition 11.7 and Schedule E & F of the waste licence. The contents of chapters 2, 5, 6, 9 and 10 were compiled by Greenstar.

This report addresses Condition 11.7 of the waste licence for the facility which states:

11.7 Annual Environmental Report

11.7.1 The licensee shall submit to the Agency for its agreement by 31st March of each year an Annual Environmental Report (AER) covering the previous calendar year.

11.7.2 The AER shall include as a minimum the information specified in Schedule F: Content of Annual Environmental Report of this licence and shall be prepared in accordance with any relevant written guidance issued by the Agency.

This report addresses the items listed in *Schedule F: Content of Annual Environmental Report* of the waste licence for the facility.

1.1. Statement of compliance of facility with any updates of the relevant Waste Management Plan

The facility considers itself compliant with the North East Waste Management Plan 2005 - 2010 and its extension to December 31 2013.

1.2. Statement on the achievement of the waste acceptance and treatment obligations

In compliance with licence Condition 5.3 and in line with the facility's Environmental Management System (EMS) all waste accepted at this facility is in accordance with comprehensive waste acceptance procedures. Following a review of the facility licence in 2010, revised and updated waste acceptance procedures were submitted to the Agency on 1 October 2010.

In compliance with Condition 1.6, only waste that has been subject to treatment is accepted for disposal at the facility. Furthermore, this facility submits quarterly summary reports to the Agency on the quantity of MSW and BMW accepted at the landfill during the preceding quarter and on a cumulative basis for the calendar year.

1.3. Reporting Period

The reporting period for the AER is 1 January to 31 December 2013.

Section 2

Waste Activities & Records



2. WASTE ACTIVITIES & RECORDS

2.1. Waste Activities Carried out at the Facility

Knockharley Landfill is a fully engineered and contained landfill site. It is licensed to accept 175,000 tonnes per annum of waste for disposal, as follows:

Table 2.1: Waste Acceptance Categories and Quantities

| Waste Type | Maximum (Tonnes per Annum) |
|--|----------------------------|
| Household | 100,000 |
| Commercial | 45,000 |
| Industrial | 30,000 |
| Subtotal Total Waste for Disposal | 175,000 |
| Construction & Demolition for recovery at the facility | 25,000 |
| TOTAL | 200,000 |

Waste activities at the facility are restricted to those outlined in *Part 1 - Activities Licensed* of the Waste Licence.

Licensed waste disposal activities, in accordance with the Third Schedule of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010

- Class 1 Deposit on, in or under land (including landfill)**
This activity is limited to the disposal of non-hazardous wastes specified in Condition 1.4 in lined cells that are on, in and under land.
- Class 4 Surface impoundment, including placement of liquid or sludge discards into pits, ponds or lagoons.**
This activity is limited to the storage of leachate in a lagoon prior to disposal off-site at a suitable waste water treatment plant and the use of a surface water pond to control the quality and quantity of the surface water run-off from the site.
- Class 5 Specially engineered landfill, including placement into lined discrete cells which are capped and isolated from one another and the environment.**
This activity is limited to the deposition of non-hazardous waste into lined cell(s).
- Class 6 Biological treatment not referred to elsewhere in this Schedule which results in final compounds of mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 1 to 10 of this Schedule.**
This activity is limited to possible future biological pre-treatment of leachate subject to the agreement of the Agency.
- Class 13 Storage prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where the waste concerned was produced.**
This activity is limited to the temporary storage of unacceptable wastes in the waste quarantine area prior to transport to another site.

Licensed waste recovery activities, in accordance with the Fourth Schedule of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010

- Class 4 Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials:**
This activity is limited to the use of recycled construction and demolition waste as cover and/or construction material at the site.

- Class 9** **Use of any waste principally as a fuel or other means to generate energy:**
This activity is limited to the utilisation of landfill gas
- Class 11** **Use of waste obtained from any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule.**
This activity is limited to the use of construction and demolition waste on site.
- Class 13** **Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced:**
This activity is limited to the storage of construction and demolition waste on site prior to reuse.

In accordance with the amended first schedule of the EPA Act 1992 – 2013, the facility waste licence was amended in December 2013 (Section 76A(11) Amendment to Industrial Emissions Licence) to bring it into conformity with the Industrial Emissions Directive (2010/75/EU).

Licensed activities, in accordance with the amended First Schedule of the EPA Acts 1992 to 2013

- Class 11.1** The recovery or disposal of waste in a facility, within the meaning of the Act of 1996, which facility is connected or associated with another activity specified in this Schedule in respect of which a licence or revised licence under Part IV is in force or in respect of which a licence under the said Part is or will be required.
- Class 11.5** Landfills, within the meaning of section 5 (amended by Regulation 11(1) of the Waste Management (Certification of Historic Unlicensed Waste Disposal and Recovery Activity) Regulations 2008 (S.I. No. 524 of 2008)) of the Act of 1996, receiving more than 10 tonnes of waste per day or with a total capacity exceeding 25,000 tonnes, other than landfills of inert waste.

2.2. Waste Quantities and Composition 2005 - 2013

The quantities and types of wastes accepted for disposal and recovery at Knockharley Landfill are presented in Table 2.2 for the years 2004, 2005, 2006, 2007, 2008, 2009, 2010, 2011, 2012 and 2013.

From March 2013 to December 2013 the facility was closed to incoming waste material for disposal.

Table 2.2: Waste Quantities Accepted at Knockharley Landfill from 2004 – 2013

| Waste Type – European Waste Code Categories | Description | Total Accepted 2004 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2005 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2006 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2007 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2008 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2009 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2010 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2011 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2012 (tonnes) | Total Accepted 2013 (tonnes) |
|---|--|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|------------------------------|
| <i>Waste for disposal</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EWC 02 02 03 | Wastes from the preparation and processing of meat, fish and other foods of animal origin - materials unsuitable for consumption or processing | | 7 | | | | | | | | |
| EWC 02 06 01 | Confectionary waste | | | | | | | 17.08 | | | |
| EWC 06 05 03 | Effluent Sludge (Non Hazardous) | | | | | | 52.42 | | | | |
| EWC 06 13 99 | Spent activated carbon | | | | | | | | 27.70 | 28.36 | |
| EWC 08 03 15 | Ink sludges other than those mentioned in 08 03 14 | | | | | | 147.38 | 113.9 | 96.92 | 55.58 | 18 |
| EWC 10 03 05 | Waste Alumina | | | | | | 10.48 | | | | |
| EWC 11 01 10 | Industrial Filter Cake (Non Hazardous) | | | | | | 537.38 | 331.78 | 271.26 | 143.62 | 35 |
| EWC 12 01 17 | Waste Blasting Material | | | | | | 110.78 | 104.92 | 12.46 | | |
| EWC 16 03 04 | Stabilised Inorganic Filter Cake | | | | | | 735.98 | | | | |
| EWC 17 06 04 | Insulation Materials | | | | | | 1.7 | | | | |
| EWC 17 09 04 | Mixed Construction and Demolition Waste | | | | | | | 154.62 | 0.86 | | |
| EWC 18 02 03 | Wastes from human or animal health care and/or related research | | 0.22 | | | | | | | | |
| EWC 19 02 03 | Physio/Chemical Treated Waste | | | | | | 315.84 | 589.32 | 21.20 | | |
| EWC 19 03 05 | Stabilised Inorganic Filter Cake | | | | | | 48.28 | 7.6 | | | |
| EWC 19 05 99 | Stabilised Waste - Residual Fraction | | | | | | | | 902.86 | 1,555.88 | 795 |
| EWC 19 08 01 | Screenings from waste water treatment plants | | | | | | | | | 228.70 | 4.8 |
| EWC 19 08 99 | Bio Plant Residual Solids | | | | | | | 2.7 | | | |
| EWC 19 09 02 | Filter cake from water treatment | | | | | | 17.24 | | | | |
| EWC 19 09 05 | Filter cake from water treatment | | | | | | 39.88 | | 27.16 | | |
| EWC 19 10 06 | Shredding waste from ELV processing | | | | | | | | | 3,017.80 | |
| EWC 19 12 09 | Minerals-Fines/Stones and Concrete | | | | | | | | 8.36 | | |
| EWC 19 12 12 | Residual municipal and commercial waste | | 98,125.18 | | 92,009.82 | 101,380.76 | 92,304.54 | 75,116.59 | 38,887.24 | 44,878.17 | 17,787.7 |
| EWC 19 13 02 | Solid wastes from soil remediation | | | | | 9,107.30 | | | | | |
| EWC 20 01 01 | Paper and Cardboard | | | | | | | 38.02 | 2.36 | | |
| EWC 20 01 08 | Biodegradable kitchen and canteen waste | | | | | | | | | 2.06 | |
| EWC 20 01 11 | Textiles | | | | | | | | 34.18 | | |
| EWC 20 01 39 | Plastics | | | | | | | 16.38 | 31.20 | 5.70 | |
| EWC 20 01 99 | Other MSW not specified | | | | 27.5 | | | | | | |
| EWC 20 03 01 | Mixed Municipal Waste | 909.54 | 37,988.84 | 133,119.48 | 44,144.59 | 23,126.38 | 12,576.38 | 26,635.48 | 34,214.96 | 22,641.99 | 9,925.98 |
| EWC 20 03 03 | Street cleaning waste | | | | | | 69.46 | 99.84 | 2,603.22 | 11,271.13 | 1,703 |
| EWC 20 03 07 | Municipal Bulky Waste | | | | | 144.44 | 27,105.50 | 32,700.70 | 12,435.36 | 4,658.48 | 348.6 |
| Total waste for disposal | | 909.54 | 136,121.24 | 133,119.48 | 136,181.91 | 133,758.88 | 134,073.24 | 135,928.93 | 89,577.30 | 88,487.63 | 30,618 |
| <i>Waste for recovery</i> | | | | | | | | | | | |
| EWC 11 01 10 | Sludges and filter cakes | | | | 103.96 | 230.30 | | | | | |
| EWC 16 03 04 | Inorganic wastes | | | | | 388.28 | | | | | |
| EWC 17 01 01 | Concrete | | | | | 106.84 | | | | | |
| EWC 17 05 04 | Soil and Stone | | | 26,622.46 | 22,314.04 | 17,800.62 | | 2,930.56 | 7,544.66 | 11,965.80 | 6,459.32 |
| EWC 17 09 04 | Mixed Construction and Demolition wastes | | 768.88 | | 2,743.12 | 1,814.24 | 514.76 | | | | |
| EWC 19 01 12 | Incinerator Bottom Ash | | | | | | | | | 790.34 | 5,852.84 |
| EWC 19 05 03 | Off specification compost | | 120.22 | 2,754.10 | 2,990.30 | 6,785.90 | 39,155.02 | 25,336.42 | | | |
| EWC 19 05 99 | Residual fraction from Aerobic Treatment (CLO) | | | | | | | | | 4,091.44 | 4,009.86 |
| EWC 19 09 02 | Sludges from water clarification | | | | | 8.12 | | | | 6,236.68 | 8,435.3 |
| EWC 19 12 02 | Ferrous metal | | | | 176.06 | | | | | | |
| EWC 19 12 07 | Woodchip | 112.94 | 7,358.34 | 7,397.28 | 9,534.76 | 6,183.50 | 5,382.86 | 5,149.60 | 3,173.96 | 2,864 | 677.26 |
| EWC 19 12 09 | Minerals (including mineral fines) | 371.24 | 25,434.80 | 22,924.03 | 24,926.73 | 16,821.46 | 23,292.02 | 28,749.24 | 25,831.03 | 22,399.74 | 13,089.66 |
| EWC 19 12 12 | Other waste from the mechanical treatment of waste | | | | | 9,953.64 | | | | | |
| EWC 20 01 38 | Woodchip | | | | | | 38.70 | | | | |
| Total Waste for Recovery | | 484.18 | 33,682.24 | 59,697.87 | 62,788.97 | 60,092.90 | 68,383.36 | 62,165.82 | 36,549.65 | 48,347.96 | 38,525 |

Table 2.3: Leachate Quantities Consigned from Knockharley Landfill, 2013

| European Waste Code Categories | Description | Tonnes | Destination |
|--------------------------------|-------------|------------------|------------------------|
| 154EWC 19 07 03 | Leachate | 15,412.24 | EPS LTD |
| EWC 19 07 03 | Leachate | 6,963.80 | Navan WWTP |
| EWC 19 07 03 | Leachate | 3,442.14 | Rilta Environmental |
| <i>Total waste consigned</i> | | 25,818.18 | |

Table 2.4: Waste Quantities Consigned from Knockharley Landfill, 2013

| European Waste Code Categories | Description | Tonnes | Destination |
|--------------------------------|-------------|--------------|-----------------|
| EWC 19 01 02 | Metals | 34.32 | Hammond Lane |
| <i>Total waste consigned</i> | | 34.32 | |

2.3. Calculated Remaining Capacity of the Facility

The total capacity of the facility is estimated to be 3,282,500 m³. It is estimated that approximately 1,394,920 m³ of void space has been used to January 2014. The remaining capacity is approximately 1,887,580 m³. The most recent topographical survey, carried out on the 27 January 2014, is attached in Appendix II.

2.4. Methods of Deposition of Waste

The waste accepted for disposal is residual waste predominantly from the Northeast region, from household, commercial and industrial sources.

Waste is delivered to Knockharley Landfill facility in heavy goods vehicles (HGVs) with the appropriate covers in place to prevent any loss of load. Each HGV passes over the incoming weighbridge prior to proceeding to the active waste disposal area and the weight of the vehicle plus load is recorded. The weighbridge operator and/or facility manager may, at their discretion, request that the load be tipped in the waste inspection area. Waste vehicles then proceed to the active waste disposal area where waste is deposited under the direction of a banks man. The vehicles weigh out at the outgoing weighbridge and receive an individual weighbridge docket before exiting the site.

Waste is deposited close to the advancing tipping face. In accordance with Condition 5.6.1 of the Waste Licence, the active working face is confined to a height of 2.5 metres (m) after compaction, a width of 25 m, a length of 25 m and a slope no greater than 1 in 3. Deposited waste is spread in shallow layers on the inclined surface and compacted. The steel-wheeled compactor operates on the gradient of the more shallow face, pushing thin layers of wastes and applying compaction pressure to them. Waste is covered daily with recovered inert materials which have been approved by the Agency. Fabric cover systems are also utilised as appropriate.

The site operatives inspect the deposited waste for items that are not acceptable under the Waste Licence, such as tyres, gas bottles, batteries etc. These are removed and stored in appropriate areas for later removal from the site.

Each day's waste input is deposited to form a 'block', which is compacted and covered. The following day a new 'block' of waste is deposited adjacent to this block. This ordered method of waste deposition enables areas, which have been filled and are to be left for a period, to be progressively restored over the site life, minimising the areas of active waste deposition.

Section 3

Report on Environmental Emissions



3. REPORT ON ENVIRONMENTAL EMISSIONS

This section of the AER has been compiled in accordance with emission limit values (ELVs) for the following media as detailed in Condition 6 and Schedule C of the waste licence for the facility.

3.1. Noise Emissions

Noise limits are stipulated in Schedule C.1 of the waste licence, as presented in Table 3.1.

Table 3.1: Noise Limits

| Day dB L _{Aeq} (30 minutes) | Night dB L _{Aeq} (15 minutes) |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| 55 | 45 |

Noise monitoring was conducted at four locations on a quarterly basis during the 2013 reporting period. The four locations are outlined in Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I. The results were issued to the Agency as part of the quarterly reports.

The measured noise levels, as represented by the L_{Aeq} over a 30-minute period, were breached on two occasions during the reporting period. During monitoring for Quarter 1, in March the L_{Aeq} was 57 dB at N2 and again at N2 during Quarter 2 in June when the L_{Aeq} was 56 dB. Vehicle movements on the nearby main road, the N2, and vehicle movements on the local road, adjacent to the noise monitoring locations, contributed to the dominant noise at the monitoring location. Overall, the results indicate that background noise in the area is generally low. Therefore the activities of the landfill are not having an adverse impact on noise regime in the surrounding area.

Following monitoring, all measurements were subject to a one-third octave band analysis to identify potential tonal components in accordance with Annex D of ISO 1996-2: 2007 *Acoustics — Description, measurement and assessment of environmental noise — Part 2: Determination of environmental noise levels*. On occasions where tones are identified in the 1/3 octave analysis, a 5 dB penalty is applied to the L_{Aeq} as per the 'Guidance Note for Noise In Relation To Scheduled Activities, 2nd Edition', (2006).

On assessment, tonal elements were not identified during the 2013 monitoring period.

3.2. Landfill Gas

Landfill gas trigger levels are stipulated in Condition 6.3.1 and landfill gas monitoring is referenced in Schedule D, Table D.1.1 and Table D.2.1 of the waste licence, as presented in Table 3.2.

Table 3.2: Landfill Gas Trigger levels

| Methane | Carbon Dioxide |
|-----------|----------------|
| 1.0 % v/v | 1.5% v/v |

10.7.1. Landfill gas monitoring wells

Monthly monitoring of landfill gas (LFG) levels is carried out in the perimeter gas boreholes and in the in-waste gas boreholes, in accordance with Schedule D.2 of the waste licence. The wells are at 50 m intervals around the landfill footprint and two per cell. Monitoring of landfill gas parameters was carried out at the locations indicated on Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I.

Measured methane concentrations were recorded above the emission limit value on 1 occasion at 1 no. well during the monitoring period at LG-03 in October of Quarter 4.

This well has historically shown spikes in methane and it along with the elevated natural carbon dioxide levels in perimeter wells were discussed in a letter dated 5 December 2011, in a response to EPA Ref W0146-02/gcl13JH.doc. Increased incidences of gas spikes would be expected when the surrounding soil is saturated, pushing any naturally occurring gases out of the soil and into the monitoring well.

Concentrations of 0% were recorded for this well in all other months.

Levels were not above the emission limit in any other well during the reporting period.

Elevated carbon dioxide concentrations were recorded during the reporting period. The levels of carbon dioxide exceeded the emission limit:

- on 36 occasions in 15 no. wells during Quarter 1 (LG01, LG02, LG03, LG04, LG05, LG15, LG16, LG20, LG21, LG23, LG24, LG50, LG51, LG52 and LG53)
- on 30 occasions in 12 no. wells during Quarter 2 (LG02, LG03, LG04, LG05, LG15, LG20, LG23, LG50, LG51, LG52, LG53 and LG54)
- on 32 occasions in 16 no. wells during Quarter 3 (LG02, LG03, LG04, LG05, LG12, LG13, LG15, LG16, LG20, LG22, LG23, LG50, LG51, LG52, LG53 and LG54)
- on 34 occasions in 14 no. wells during Quarter 4 (LG01, LG02, LG03, LG04, LG05, LG12, LG15, LG16, LG17, LG50, LG51, LG52, LG53 and LG54)

Carbon dioxide is generally detected at some level in all perimeter monitoring wells during monthly monitoring at Knockharley Landfill. The occurrence of carbon dioxide at levels exceeding the 1.5% v/v trigger level is common and has been a regular occurrence since monitoring began in 2004.

This regular incidence of high concentrations of naturally occurring carbon dioxide is caused by the in-situ subsoils located throughout the site. Studies have shown high concentrations of carbon dioxide can occur naturally at shallow depths of up to 2 m due to microbiological activity associated with the roots of many types of vegetation, providing concentrations of up to 7% by volume in certain soils such as the silty clays which underlie the site. Monitoring of perimeter wells in November 2004, prior to waste deposition, confirmed elevated naturally occurring concentrations of carbon dioxide in the subsoils.

3.3. Dust Deposition

Dust deposition emission limit values (ELV) are stipulated in Schedule C.3 of the waste licence, as presented in Table 3.3.

Table 3.3: Dust Deposition Emission Limit Value

| Level (mg/m ² /day) |
|--------------------------------|
| 350 |

Dust monitoring was conducted by Greenstar personnel at eight locations on a monthly basis during the 2013 reporting period. Monitoring of dust was carried out at the locations shown on Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, in Appendix I.

Oldcastle Laboratories Ltd. carried out the analysis of the dust deposition results from the facility for Quarters 1, 2 and 4. The certificates of analysis were included in the quarterly reports issued to the Agency.

Dust monitoring showed dust deposition at the facility was recorded below the ELV on all monitoring occasions during the reporting period.

3.4. Surface Water Discharge Limits (measured at SW9)

Surface water monitoring was carried out by Greenstar personnel at eight monitoring locations in accordance with Schedule D of the licence and these are shown on the Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001 in Appendix I.

Surface water discharge emission limit values at monitoring location SW9 (the outlet from the surface water wetland) are stipulated in Schedule C.4 of the waste licence, as follows:

Table 3.4: Surface water discharge Emission Limit Values

| Level (Suspended Solids mg/l) |
|-------------------------------|
| 35 |

Suspended solids concentrations were under the limit of 35 mg/l specified for SW9 in the waste licence during the reporting period.

Section 4

Summary of Environmental Results



4. SUMMARY ENVIRONMENTAL RESULTS

Environmental monitoring was carried out at the facility throughout the reporting period in accordance with Schedule D of the waste licence. All monitoring results were presented to the Agency in the quarterly reports and a summary of the monitoring results is presented below. The locations of all monitoring points are illustrated in Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I.

4.1. Biological Assessment

10.7.1. Macroinvertebrate Survey

Biological monitoring of surface water quality was undertaken by means of a macroinvertebrate survey in accordance with Schedule D of the waste licence on 16 September 2013 at four locations, Sites 1–4. These monitoring locations are described in Section 1.1.2, on Table 1.1 and are shown on Figure 1.1. The survey was undertaken by FTC.

10.7.2. Methodology

Biological sampling or macroinvertebrate sampling was carried out by means of Small Stream Risk Score (SSRS) methodology. SSRS is a biological risk assessment system for detecting potential sources of pollution in 1st and 2nd order streams. It was developed by the EPA in association with the Western River Basin District (WRBD) with the primary aim of supporting the programme of measures for the Water Framework Directive (WFD). The main objective of the WFD is the achievement of 'Good' water status in all water bodies by 2015.

SSRS is a simple biotic index based on analysis of the community assemblage and abundance of benthic macroinvertebrates at a monitoring site. The SSRS allows the classification of the stream as 'At Risk', 'Indeterminate – May Be at Risk', or 'Probably Not at Risk'.

SSRS methodology was carried out according to the training manual developed by White Young Green (2009) *SSRS Training Manual – a Pollution Investigation Tool for Use in the Field*. Samples were collected from the four stream and river sites by means of a two minute kick sample, collecting all macroinvertebrates in a 1 mm pond net attached to a metal frame. Macroinvertebrates were identified on the bankside, a field sheet was filled in for each site, and a risk score was calculated (see attached field sheets).

Table 4.1: Biological Monitoring Locations

| Sample | Location |
|--------|--|
| Site 1 | Less than 1 km downstream receptor site on the Knockharley stream |
| Site 2 | Upstream control site on the Knockharley stream |
| Site 3 | Downstream receptor site (corresponds with the EPA site 08/N/01/ 200) on the River Nanny |
| Site 4 | Upstream control site (Corresponds with EPA site 08/N/01/0110) on the River Nanny |

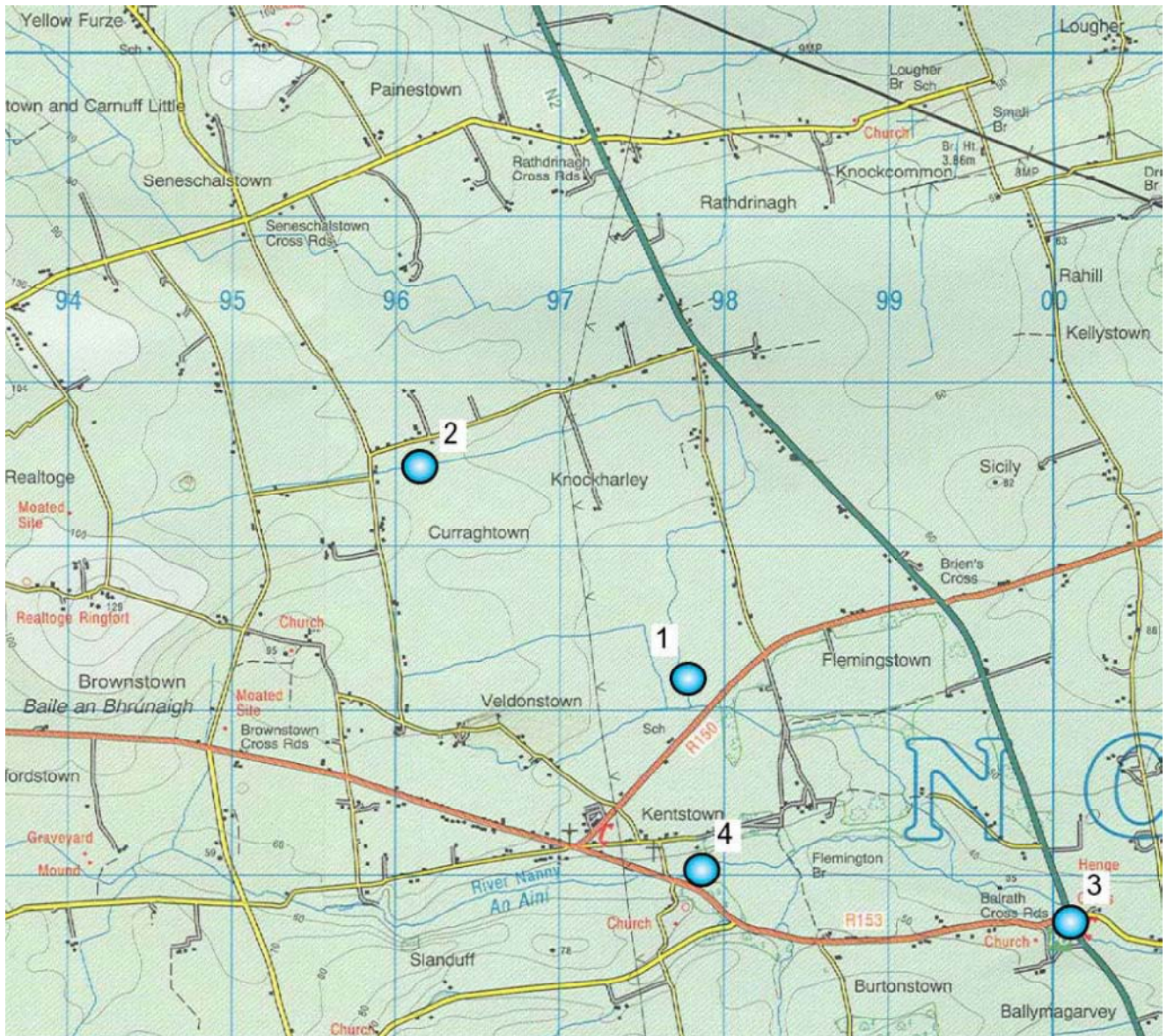


Figure 4.1: Biological Monitoring Locations at Knockharley - 2013

10.7.3. Results

Site 1 - Knockharley Stream

This site is located less than 1 km downstream of Knockharley Landfill on Knockharley Stream. The monitoring location was approximately 3 m wide at the sample location and approximately 0.05 m deep. A very low flow was recorded at the time of monitoring. The substrate was observed to consist of cobble and gravel, with silt present. The location is very overshadowed, with trees and shrubbery, and cattle access was evident. The water was slightly turbid with some sewage fungus and filamentous algae present. This location was given a risk score of 3.2 or 'at risk'. See Figure 4.2 for SSRS field sheet.

Site 2 – Knockharley Stream

This site is located upstream of Knockharley Landfill on Knockharley Stream. The monitoring location was approximately 1 m in width and approximately 0.05 m in depth. A very low flow was recorded at the time of monitoring due to the recent dry summer. The substrate was observed to consist of fine gravel, covered in mud and silt. The banks were covered with vegetation and trees overhanging the stream, and there was leaf litter on the stream bed. The water was slightly turbid with no detectable odour. Sewage fungus was present. This location was given a risk score of 3.2 or 'at risk'. See Figure 4.3 for SSRS field sheet.

Site 3 – River Nanny

This site is located downstream of Knockharley Landfill on the River Nanny. The monitoring location was approximately 4 - 7 m in width and up to 0.3 m in depth. The velocity of the water was moderate and the colour was slight, with slight turbidity. There was cattle access at this site. The substrate was boulders and cobbles and silt. Trees and vegetation were present on the banks, but shading was low. Filamentous algae was abundant and sewage fungus was moderate. This location was given a risk score of 5.6 which is 'at risk' (though at the higher end of the scale, > 6.5 is an intermediate risk). See Figure 4.4 for SSRS field sheet.

Site 4 – River Nanny

This site is located upstream of Knockharley Landfill on the River Nanny. The monitoring location is approximately 2 m in width and approximately 0.15 m in depth. Low and slow flow was observed at the time of sampling. The substrate was mostly silt and mud. There was a slight colour in the water and it was slightly turbid. There was vegetation on the banks, and a moderate covering of leaf litter. Sewage fungus was present. This location was given a risk score of 3.2 or 'at risk'. See Figure 4.5 for SSRS field sheet.

| | | | | |
|----------------------------------|------------------|--|-----------------------|---|
| River: Knockharley Stream | | Code: | Date: 16/09/13 | Time: 12:30 |
| Station no. 1 | | Location: North of Kenilston, Co. Meath | | Grid (6 figure): N 977660 |
| Field Chemistry | | Stream Order: 1st | | Stream flow: Riffle Riffle/Glide Slow flow |
| DO% | | Modifications: Y/N Canalised-widened-bank erosion-arterial drainage | | |
| DO mg/l | | Dominant Types: Bedrock | | |
| Temp (°C) | | Boulder (>128mm) | | |
| Conductivity | | Cobble (32-128mm) | | |
| pH | | Gravel (8-32mm) | | |
| Bank width (cm) | 4m | Fine Gravel (2-8mm) | | |
| Wet width (cm) | 3m | Sand (0.25-2mm) | | |
| Avg Depth (cm) | 5cm | Silt (<0.25mm) | | |
| Staff gauge | | Slope: Low - Medium - High - Very High | | |
| Velocity | Colour | Geology: Calcareous-Siliceous-Mixed | | Shading: High - Moderate - Low - None |
| Torrential | None | Substratum Condition: Calcareous-Compacted- | | Cattle access Y: upstream - downstream or N |
| Fast | Slight | Loose - Normal | | Yes - upstream + downstream |
| Moderate | Moderate | Substratum: Stoney bottom-Muddy bottom-Mud over stones | | Photo: Y / N |
| Slow | High | Degree of siltation: Clean-Slight-Moderate-Heavy | | N |
| Very slow | | Depth of mud: None: <1cm: 1-5cm: 5-10cm: >10cm | | |
| Clarity | Discharge | Litter: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Very clear | Flood | Filamentous Algae: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | Sewage Fungus: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant |
| Clear | Normal | Main land use u/s: | | Sample retained: Y / N |
| Slightly turbid | Low | Pasture | Urban | Sampled in Minutes: Pond net x 2 min |
| Highly turbid | Very Low | Bog | Tillage | Stone wash x |
| | Dry | Forestry | Other | Weed sweep x |
| | Recent Flood | | | |

General Comments:

ADDITIONAL: Gammarus sp. - 5
SPECIES
HIRUDINEA - 1
TICK (ARACHNIDAE) - 1
SMALL FISH - 6

Macroinvertebrate Composition

The macroinvertebrates are divided into the following 5 specific groups:

- Group 1 = Ephemeroptera (3-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 2 = Plecoptera (2-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 3 = Trichoptera
- Group 4 = G.O.L.D (Gastropoda, Oligochaeta and Diptera)
- Group 5 = Asellus
- Calculate the total number of taxa and relative abundance of each macroinvertebrate group below: (Abundance - Ab)

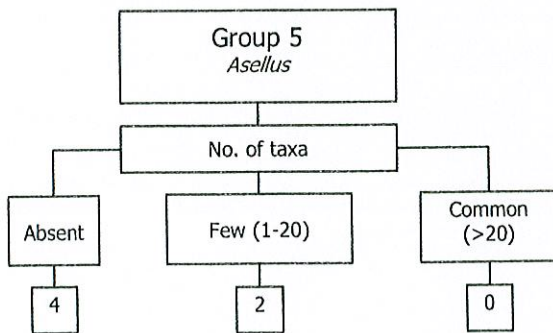
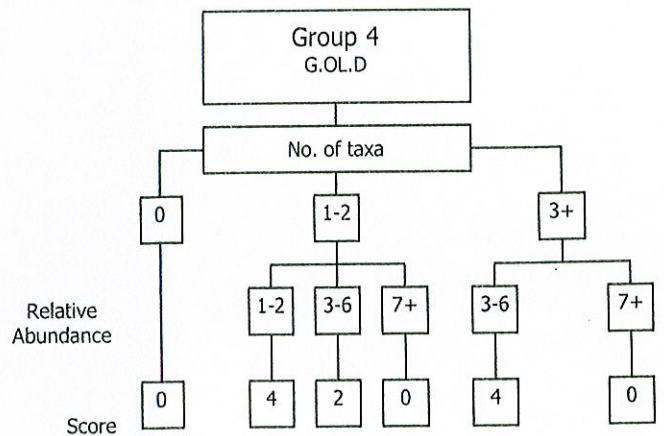
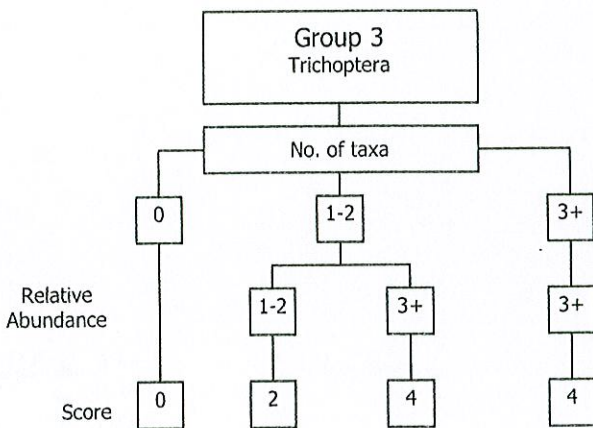
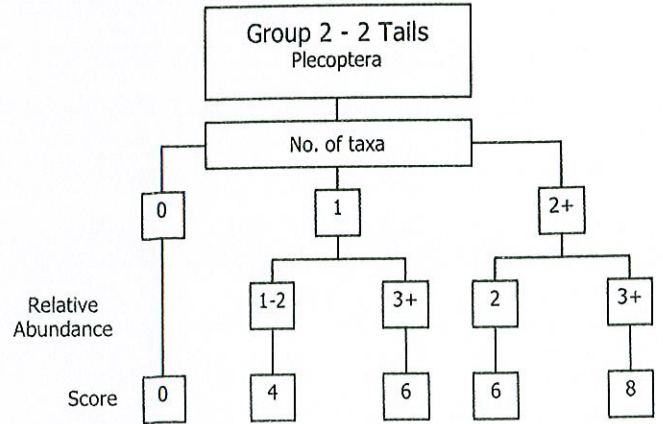
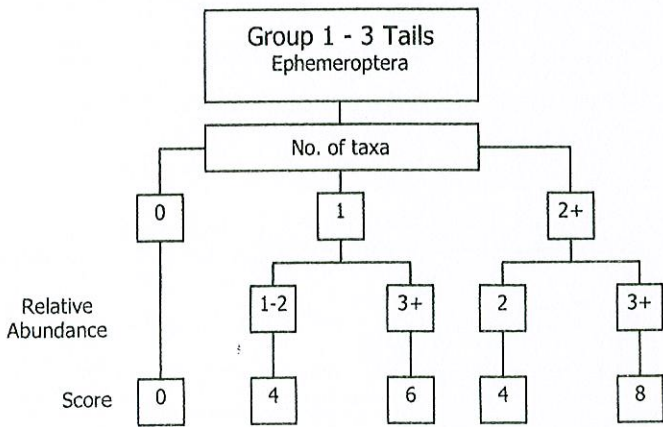
Relative Abundance

| | |
|--------|---|
| 1-5 | 1 |
| 6-20 | 2 |
| 21-50 | 3 |
| 51-100 | 4 |
| 101+ | 5 |

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------------|---|
| Ephemeroptera: | | Plecoptera: | |
| <i>Ecdyonurus</i> Ab | | <i>Leuctra</i> Ab | |
| <i>Rhithrogena</i> Ab | | <i>Isoperla</i> Ab | |
| <i>Heptagenia</i> Ab | | <i>Protonemura</i> Ab | |
| <i>Ephemerella</i> Ab | | <i>Amphinemura</i> Ab | |
| <i>Caenis</i> Ab | | <i>Perla</i> Ab | |
| <i>Paraleptophlebia</i> Ab | | <i>Dinocras</i> Ab | |
| <i>Ephemera danica</i> Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Other Ephem Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Total no. of taxa 0 | Total Relative Abundance 0 | Total no. of Taxa 0 | Total Relative Abundance 0 |
| Trichoptera: | | G.O.L.D: | |
| Hydropsychidae Ab | | <i>Lymnaea</i> (G) Ab | 1 |
| Polycentropodidae Ab | | <i>Potamopyrgus</i> (G) Ab | 1 |
| 2 <i>Rhyacophila</i> Ab | 1 | <i>Planorbis</i> (G) Ab | |
| Philopotamidae Ab | | <i>Ancylus</i> (G) Ab | |
| Limnephilidae Ab | | <i>Physa</i> (G) Ab | |
| Sericostomatidae Ab | | <i>Lumbriculus</i> (OI) Ab | |
| Glossosomatidae Ab | | <i>Eiseniella</i> (OI) Ab | |
| Lepidostomatidae Ab | | Tubificidae (OI) Ab | |
| Other Trichoptera Ab | | | |
| Total no. of Taxa 1 | Total Relative Abundance 1 | Total no. of Taxa 3 | Total Relative Abundance 4 |
| | | Chironomidae (D) Ab 1 | Asellus: |
| | | Chironomus (D) Ab 2 | Absent |
| | | Simuliidae (D) Ab | Few/Low 2 |
| | | Dicranota (D) Ab | Common/Numerous |
| | | Tipulidae (D) Ab | |
| | | Ceratopogonidae (D) Ab | |
| | | Other GOLD Ab | |
| | | | NOTE: Asellus must be recorded as absent if none are found |

NOTE *Baetis* is an Ephemeropteran and is the most commonly occurring invertebrate genus in streams in Ireland. It is vital that *Baetis* is not counted in SSRS. See Appendix B for more details on how to identify *Baetis*.

Step 1. Calculate the Index Score by circling the appropriate box representing the total number of taxa and the total abundance calculated from *each macroinvertebrate group* calculated from page 1 of the recording sheet and enter in to the boxes in Step 2.



Step 2

- a) Index Score Group 1
- b) Index Score Group 2
- c) Index Score Group 3
- d) Index Score Group 4
- e) Index Score Group 5

Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS)
sum (a+b+c+d+e)

Average Index Score (AIS)
TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups)

SSR Score
(AIS x 2)

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

> 7.25
Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25
Indeterminate
Stream may be at risk

< 6.5
Stream at risk

Surveyor (signed): Alison McCarthy Name (print): ALISON MCCARTHY Date: 16 / 09 / 2013

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|----------------------------------|--|--|--------------|--|
| River: Knockharkey Stream | | Code: | Date: | Time: 13:40 |
| Station no.: 2 | | Location: NW of KENTSTOWN, CO. MEATH | | Grid (6 figure): IN 96689 1667591 |
| Field Chemistry | | Stream Order: 1st | | |
| DO% | | Modifications: Y/N Canalised-widened-bank erosion-arterial drainage | | |
| DO mg/l | | Dominant Types: | | |
| Temp (°C) | | Bedrock | | |
| Conductivity | | Boulder (>128mm) | | |
| pH | | Cobble (32-128mm) | | |
| Bank width (cm) | | Gravel (8-32mm) | | |
| Wet width (cm) | | Fine Gravel (2-8mm) | | |
| Avg Depth (cm) | | Sand (0.25-2mm) | | |
| Staff gauge | | Silt (<0.25mm) | | |
| Velocity | | Slope: Low - Medium - High - Very High | | |
| Torrential | | Geology: Calcareous-Siliceous-Mixed | | |
| Fast | | Substratum Condition: Calcareous-Compacted- | | |
| Moderate | | (Loose) - Normal | | |
| Slow | | Substratum: | | |
| Very slow | | Stoney bottom-Muddy bottom-Mud over stones | | |
| Colour | | Degree of siltation: Clean-Slight-Moderate-Heavy | | |
| None | | Depth of mud: None <1cm: 1-5cm: 5-10cm: >10cm | | |
| Slight | | Litter: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Moderate | | Filamentous Algae: | | |
| High | | None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Clarity | | Main land use u/s: | | |
| Flood | | Pasture Urban | | |
| Normal | | Bog Tillage | | |
| Slightly turbid | | Forestry Other | | |
| Highly turbid | | RECREATIONAL | | |
| Very Low | | Sample retained: | | |
| Dry | | Y / N | | |
| Recent Flood | | N | | |
| | | Sewage Fungus: | | |
| | | None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| | | Sampled in Minutes: | | |
| | | Pond net x 2min | | |
| | | Stone wash x | | |
| | | Weed sweep x | | |

General Comments: ADDITIONAL SPECIES: SMALL FISH - 3, AMMURUS SP. - 10
 Note: Stream was almost dry, very little water present, very little flow.
 NEXT TO SOCCER PITCH - SILT MADE SAMPLE DIFFICULT TO SEE

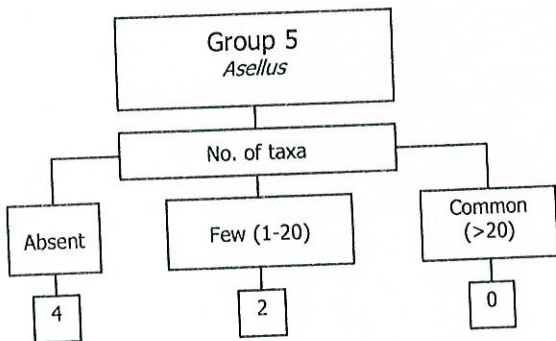
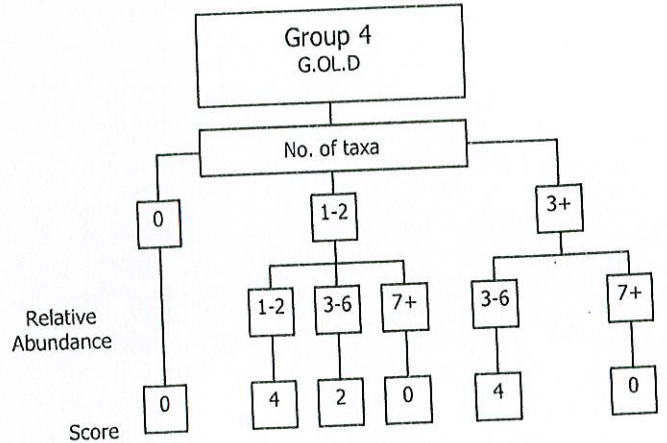
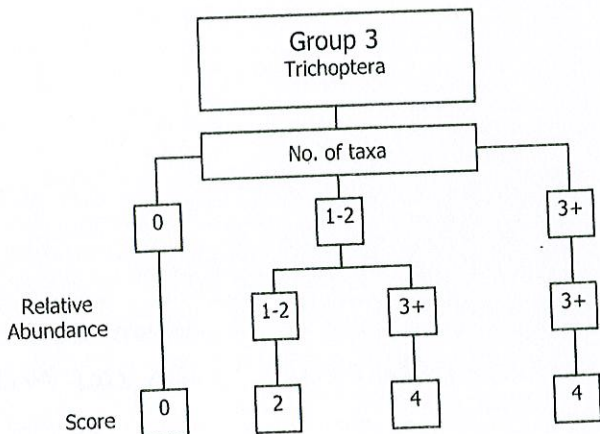
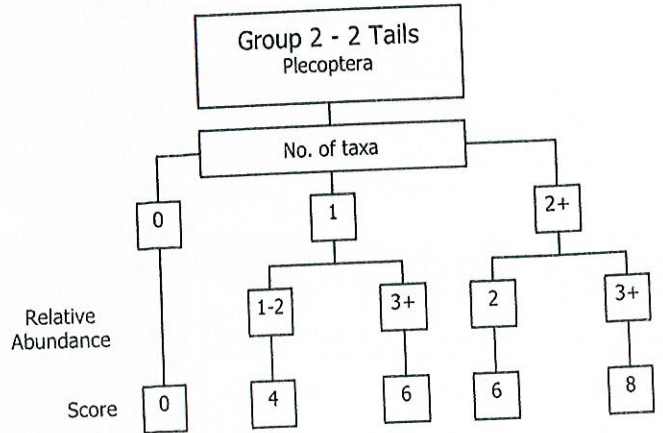
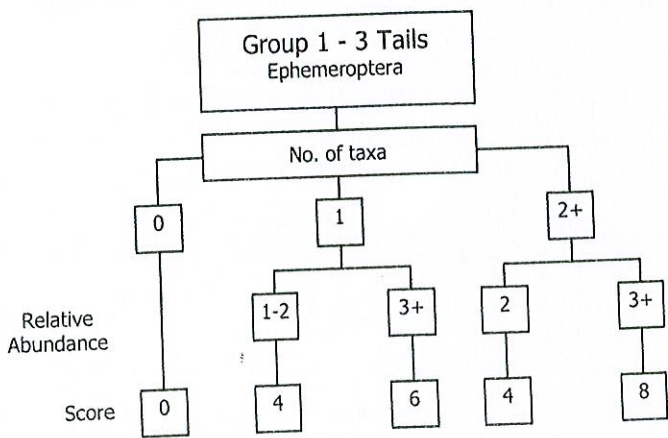
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|---|--------|--------------------|
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| • Group 4 = G.O.L.D (Gastropoda, Oligochaeta and Diptera) | 51-100 | 4 |
| • Group 5 = Asellus | 101+ | 5 |
| • Calculate the total number of taxa and relative abundance of each macroinvertebrate group below: (Abundance - Ab) | | |

| Ephemeroptera: | | Plecoptera: | |
|---------------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|
| Ecdyonurus Ab | | Leuctra Ab | |
| Rhithrogena Ab | | Isoperla Ab | |
| Heptagenia Ab | | Protonemura Ab | |
| Ephemerella Ab | | Amphinemura Ab | |
| Caenis Ab | | Perla Ab | |
| Paraleptophlebia Ab | | Dinocras Ab | |
| Ephemera danica Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Other Ephem Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Total no. of taxa | 0 | Total no. of Taxa | 0 |
| Total Relative Abundance | 0 | Total Relative Abundance | 0 |

| Trichoptera: | | G.O.L.D: | | Chironomidae (D) Ab | | Asellus: | |
|--------------------------|---|--------------------------|---|---------------------------------|---|---|---|
| Hydropsychidae Ab | | Lymnaea (G) Ab | | Chironomus (D) Ab | 3 | Absent | X |
| Polycentropodidae Ab | | Potamopyrgus (G) Ab | | Simuliidae (D) Ab | | Few/Low | |
| Rhyacophila Ab | | Planorbis (G) Ab | | Dicranota (D) Ab | 2 | Common/ Numerous | |
| Philopotamidae Ab | | Ancylus (G) Ab | | Tipulidae (D) Ab | | | |
| Limnephilidae Ab | | Physa (G) Ab | | Ceratopogonidae (D) Ab | | | |
| Sericostomatidae Ab | | Lumbriculus (Ol) Ab | | Other GOLD Ab | | | |
| Glossosomatidae Ab | | Eiseniella (Ol) Ab | | | | | |
| Lepidostomatidae Ab | | Tubificidae (Ol) Ab | | | | | |
| Other Trichoptera Ab | | | | | | | |
| Total no. of Taxa | 1 | Total no. of Taxa | 2 | Total Relative Abundance | 5 | NOTE: Asellus must be recorded as absent if none are found | |

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- c) Index Score Group 3
- d) Index Score Group 4
- e) Index Score Group 5

| |
|---|
| 0 |
| 0 |
| 2 |
| 2 |
| 4 |

Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS)
sum (a+b+c+d+e) **8**

Average Index Score (AIS)
TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups) **1.6**

SSR Score
(AIS x 2) **3.2**

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

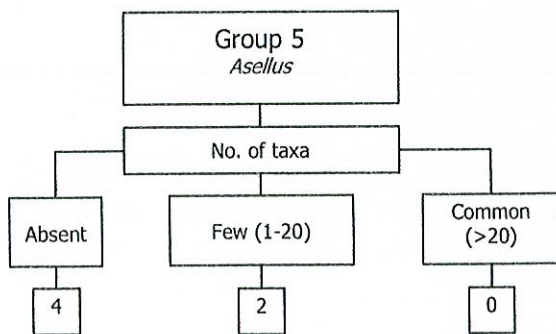
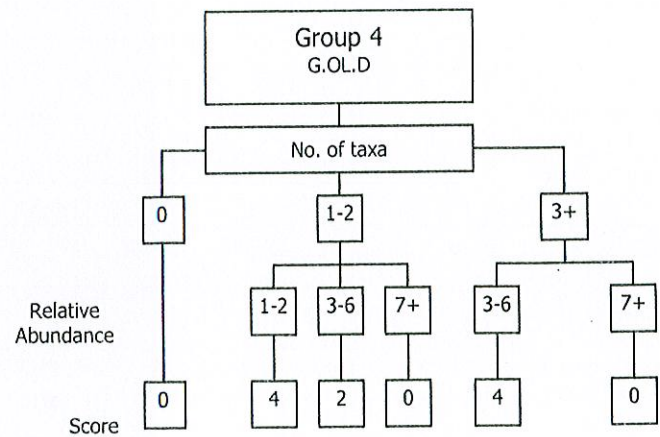
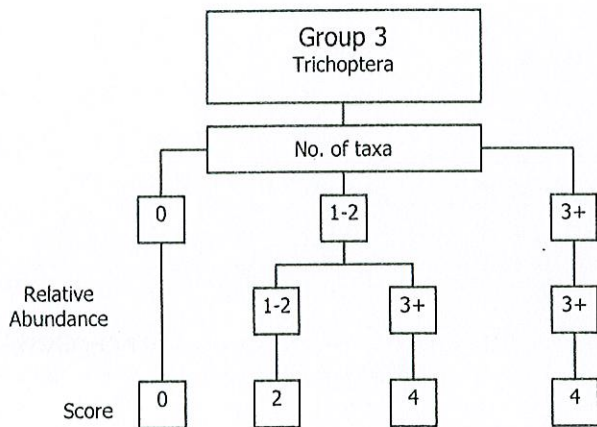
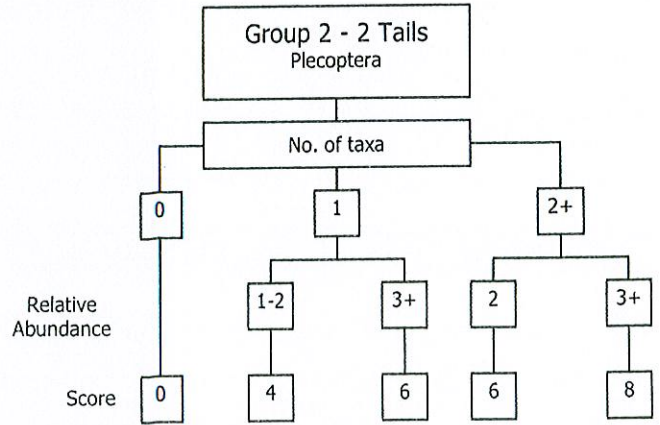
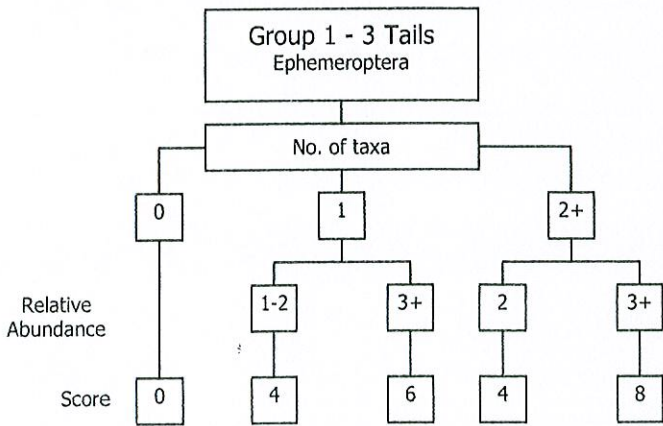
> 7.25
Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25
Indeterminate
Stream may be at risk

< 6.5
Stream at risk

Surveyor (signed): Alison McCarthy Name (print): ALISON MCCARTHY Date: 16 / 09 / '13

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Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS) sum (a+b+c+d+e)

Average Index Score (AIS) TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups)

SSR Score (AIS x 2)

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

> 7.25 Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25 Indeterminate Stream may be at risk

<6.5 Stream at risk

Surveyor (signed): Alison McCarty Name (print): ALISON MCCARTHY Date: 16 / 09 / '13

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| | | | | |
|-----------------------------|--|---|-----------------------|---|
| River: Riverdany | | Code: | Date: 16/09/13 | Time: 11:00 |
| Station no. 4 | | Location: South of Kentstown, Co. Meath | | Grid (6 figure): IN97697 IG64972 |
| Field Chemistry | | Stream Order: 2nd | | |
| DO% | | Stream flow: Riffle Riffle/Glide Slow flow <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | | |
| DO mg/l | | Modifications: Y/N Canalised-widened-bank erosion-arterial drainage | | |
| Temp (°C) | | Dominant Types: Bedrock Boulder (>128mm) Cobble (32-128mm) Gravel (8-32mm) Fine Gravel (2-8mm) Sand (0.25-2mm) Silt (<0.25mm) | | |
| Conductivity | | Slope: Low - Medium - High - Very High | | |
| pH | | Geology: Calcareous-Siliceous-Mixed | | |
| Bank width (cm) 2-3m | | Substratum Condition: Calcareous-Compacted-Loose - Normal | | |
| Wet width (cm) 2m | | Substratum: Stoney bottom - Muddy bottom - Mud over stones | | |
| Avg Depth (cm) 15cm | | Degree of siltation: Clean-Slight-Moderate-Heavy | | |
| Staff gauge | | Depth of mud: None: <1cm: 1-5cm: 5-10cm: >10cm | | |
| Velocity | | Litter: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Colour | | Filamentous Algae: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Torrential None | | Main land use u/s: | | |
| Fast Slight | | Pasture Urban | | |
| Moderate Moderate | | Bog Tillage | | |
| Slow High | | Forestry Other | | |
| Very slow | | Sample retained: Y <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> N | | |
| Clarity | | Sewage Fungus: None - Present - Moderate - Abundant | | |
| Very clear Flood | | Sampled in Minutes: Pond net x 2min | | |
| Clear Normal | | Stone wash x | | |
| Slightly turbid Low | | Weed sweep x | | |
| Highly turbid Very Low | | | | |
| Dry | | | | |
| Recent Flood | | | | |

General Comments:

[Baetis present. Atrypinae-3]
Gammarus +100

Macroinvertebrate Composition

The macroinvertebrates are divided into the following 5 specific groups:

- Group 1 = Ephemeroptera (3-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 2 = Plecoptera (2-tails) - note that tails may be damaged during sampling
- Group 3 = Trichoptera
- Group 4 = G.O.L.D (Gastropoda, Oligochaeta and Diptera)
- Group 5 = Asellus
- Calculate the total number of taxa and relative abundance of each macroinvertebrate group below: (Abundance - Ab)

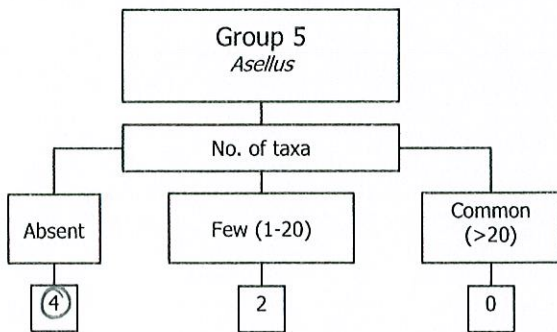
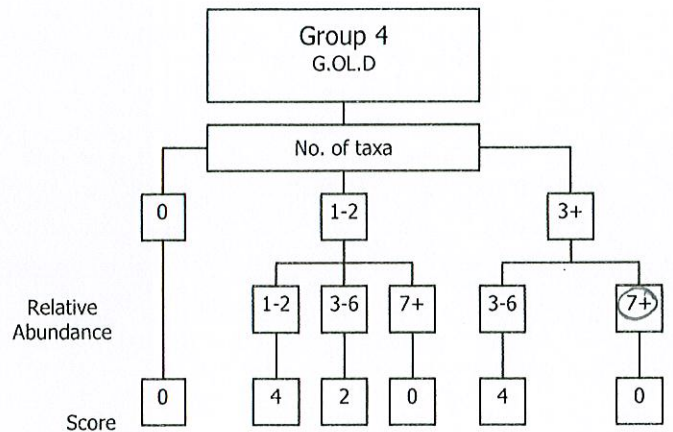
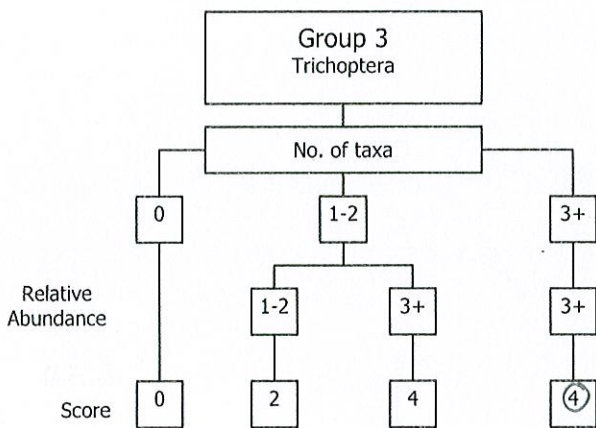
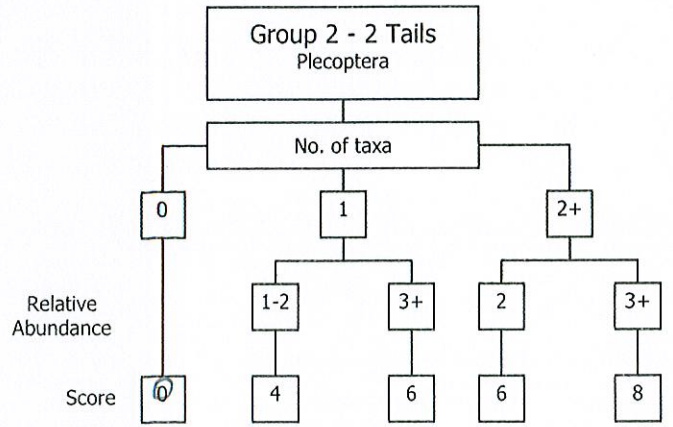
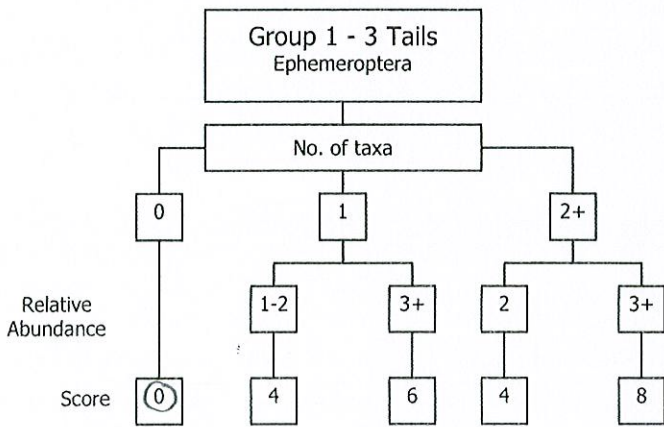
Relative Abundance

| | |
|--------|---|
| 1-5 | 1 |
| 6-20 | 2 |
| 21-50 | 3 |
| 51-100 | 4 |
| 101+ | 5 |

| | | | |
|----------------------------|-----------------------------------|--|-----------------------------------|
| Ephemeroptera: | | Plecoptera: | |
| <i>Ecdyonurus</i> Ab | | <i>Leuctra</i> Ab | |
| <i>Rhithrogena</i> Ab | | <i>Isoperla</i> Ab | |
| <i>Heptagenia</i> Ab | | <i>Protonemura</i> Ab | |
| <i>Ephemerella</i> Ab | | <i>Amphinemura</i> Ab | |
| <i>Caenis</i> Ab | | <i>Perla</i> Ab | |
| <i>Paraleptophlebia</i> Ab | | <i>Dinocras</i> Ab | |
| <i>Ephemera danica</i> Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Other Ephem Ab | | Other Plecop Ab | |
| Total no. of taxa 0 | Total Relative Abundance 0 | Total no. of Taxa 0 | Total Relative Abundance 0 |
| Trichoptera: | | G.O.L.D: | |
| 2 Hydropsychidae Ab | 1 | 4 <i>Lymnaea</i> (G) Ab | 1 |
| Polycentropodidae Ab | | <i>Potamopyrgus</i> (G) Ab | |
| <i>Rhyacophila</i> Ab | | <i>Planorbis</i> (G) Ab | |
| 10 Philopotamidae Ab | 2 | <i>Ancylus</i> (G) Ab | |
| 1 Limnephilidae Ab | 1 | <i>Physa</i> (G) Ab | |
| Sericostomatidae Ab | | <i>Lumbriculus</i> (OI) Ab | |
| Glossosomatidae Ab | | <i>Eiseniella</i> (OI) Ab | |
| Lepidostomatidae Ab | | 25 Tubificidae (OI) Ab | 3 |
| Other Trichoptera Ab | | | |
| Total no. of Taxa 3 | Total Relative Abundance 4 | Total no. of Taxa 4 | Total Relative Abundance 8 |
| | | Chironomidae (D) Ab | |
| | | 10 <i>Chironomus</i> (D) Ab | |
| | | 2 Simuliidae (D) Ab | |
| | | 15 <i>Dicranota</i> (D) Ab | |
| | | Tipulidae (D) Ab | |
| | | Ceratopogonidae (D) Ab | |
| | | Other GOLD Ab | |
| | | Asellus: | |
| | | Absent <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | |
| | | Few/Low | |
| | | Common/ Numerous | |
| | | NOTE: <i>Asellus</i> must be recorded as absent if none are found | |

NOTE *Baetis* is an Ephemeropteran and is the most commonly occurring invertebrate genus in streams in Ireland. It is vital that *Baetis* is not counted in SSRS. See Appendix B for more details on how to identify *Baetis*.

Step 1. Calculate the Index Score by circling the appropriate box representing the total number of taxa and the total abundance calculated from *each macroinvertebrate group* calculated from page 1 of the recording sheet and enter in to the boxes in Step 2.



Step 2

- a) Index Score Group 1: 0
- b) Index Score Group 2: 0
- c) Index Score Group 3: 4
- d) Index Score Group 4: 0
- e) Index Score Group 5: 4

Step 3. Calculate the Total Index Score, the Average Index Score and the SSR Score using the boxes below

Total Index Score (TIS) sum (a+b+c+d+e) **8**

Average Index Score (AIS) TIS/5 (5 for 5 groups) **1.6**

SSR Score (AIS x 2) **3.2**

Step 4. Assess the stream by comparing the final SSR score with the categories below and tick the appropriate box

> 7.25
Probably not at risk

> 6.5 – 7.25
Indeterminate
Stream may be at risk

< 6.5
Stream at risk

Surveyor (signed): Alison McCarthy Name (print): ALISON MCCARTHY Date: 16 / 09 / 2013

10.7.4. Interpretation of Results

Previous surveys at these sites carried out biological monitoring by means of calculating EPA Q-values or using the Q-rating system. Q-rating is generally more useful in larger rivers and not applicable to 1st and 2nd order streams and rivers such as Sites 1–4 surrounding Knockharley landfill. Direct comparison between the Q-values collected in previous years is not possible. However, the current (2013) survey has shown that Sites 1–4 are all 'at risk' of not achieving good status by 2015. In previous surveys the Q-values calculated were mostly Q3 which is classed as 'Poor status' (see Table 1.2). Thus, both methodologies of biological sampling have revealed poor water quality in all sites.

Table 4.2: Q-Values Obtained from 2007–2011.

| Sampling Period | Site 1 | Site 2 | Site 3 | Site 4 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|---------|
| 2007 | Q2 – Q3 | Q2 – Q3 | Q3 – Q4 | Q3 |
| 2008 | Q3 | Q2 | Q3 | Q3 – Q4 |
| 2009 | Q3 | Q3 | Q3 – Q4 | Q3 |
| 2010 | Q2 | Q3 | Q3 | Q3 |
| 2011 | Q3 | Q3 | Q2 | Q2 – 3 |

10.7.5. EPA Classification

The current EPA classifications for the River Nanny were checked through the Envision map viewer (<http://gis.epa.ie/Envision/>). The current EPA classification of the River Nanny at Kentstown is Q2 - 3 or Q3, which is 'poor status'. This corresponds with the SSRS score of 'at risk' at Site 4 in the same location. The current EPA classification of the River Nanny at Balrath Crossroads is Q3 - 4 or of 'moderate status'. Indeed, in the current study the SSRS score just upstream of this location at Site 3 was just under the 'intermediate risk' classification. The River Nanny itself has been given a WFD status of 'Moderate'.

Knockharley stream (Sites 1 and 2) is not monitored by the EPA.

10.7.6. Conclusion

As indicated in the EPA monitoring results, the upper reaches of the River Nanny have a history of 'unsatisfactory' biological water quality. Upstream of the landfill site the River Nanny is classed as being of 'poor status' and downstream it is classed as being of 'moderate status'. Knockharley Stream was also given an SSRS score of 'at risk' both upstream and downstream of the landfill site. Thus, it is clear that there are other sources of pollution, other than the landfill that are impacting on the River Nanny. Agricultural practices could be a contributing factor to the water quality of the River Nanny, and cattle access was evident in two of the current sampling sites.

4.2. Surface Water

Surface water monitoring was carried out quarterly by Greenstar personnel at eight monitoring locations in accordance with Schedule D of the licence.

10.7.1. Monitoring Locations

The locations are shown on the Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001 in Appendix I. Table 4.1 shows the location of the monitoring points in relation to the site.

Table 4.3: Surface Water Monitoring Locations

| Monitoring Location | Easting | Northing | Description |
|---------------------|---------|----------|--|
| SW1 | 296706 | 267600 | Upstream |
| SW2 | 297464 | 267862 | Upstream |
| SW3 | 298087 | 267634 | Upstream |
| SW5 | 297764 | 267116 | Upstream |
| SW6 | 297663 | 266562 | Downstream |
| SW7 | 297510 | 266525 | Downstream |
| SW8 | 297916 | 266029 | Downstream |
| SW9 | 297587 | 266621 | Discharge from the surface water wetland |

10.7.2. Surface Water Monitoring Results – Visual Assessment

Greenstar carries out weekly inspections of the surface water drainage system. The inspections completed in the reporting period did not identify the presence of any impact on the drainage system associated with site activities. Detailed visual assessment results were reported to the Agency in the quarterly reports.

10.7.3. Surface water Monitoring Results - Chemical Assessment

Two surface water bodies are sampled on a quarterly basis, namely the Knockharley Stream and the Nanny River. Surface water samples were analysed for a range of parameters as specified in Schedule D of the waste licence.

The baseline monitoring results are presented in Table 4.2.

Table 4.4: Baseline Surface Water Quality

| Parameter | Units | SW1 | SW2 | SW3 | SW5 | SW6 | SW7 | SW8 |
|-------------------------|----------|-----------|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| pH | pH Units | 7.94-8.20 | 7.7-8.44 | 7.75-7.98 | 7.61-8.07 | 7.76-8.06 | 7.42-8.37 | 7.63-8.02 |
| Electrical Conductivity | µS/cm | 613-730 | 653-682 | 593-688 | 549-726 | 625-698 | 590-694 | 662-720 |
| Ammoniacal Nitrogen | mg/l | <0.2-0.6 | <0.2 | <0.2-1.1 | <0.2-0.5 | <0.2-0.5 | <0.2-1.7 | <0.2-0.4 |
| Dissolved Oxygen | mg/l | 5.3-9.4 | 4.7-8.9 | 5.1-8.6 | 4.4-8.4 | 5.0-8.9 | 5.0-8.7 | 4.6-8.5 |
| Chloride | mg/l | 21-31 | 23-56 | 29-36 | 29-35 | 28-33 | 24-36 | 30-54 |
| Total Suspended Solids | mg/l | <10-48 | <10-46 | <10-34 | <10 | <10-11 | <10-10 | <10-15 |
| BOD | mg/l | <2-2 | <2-12 | <2-5 | <2-4 | <2-3 | <2-3 | <2-3 |
| COD | mg/l | <15-41 | <15-25 | <15-46 | <15-43 | <15-41 | <15-29 | <15-31 |
| Potassium | mg/l | 9 | 2.6 | 10.8 | 11.6 | 11.8 | 17.6 | 2.4 |

| Parameter | Units | SW1 | SW2 | SW3 | SW5 | SW6 | SW7 | SW8 |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Sodium | mg/l | 13.5 | 8.1 | 13 | 14 | 15 | 9.8 | 15 |
| Total Oxidised Nitrogen | mg/l | 4.1 | 7.9 | 5.4 | 5.1 | 5.3 | 3.7 | 4.3 |
| Calcium | mg/l | 95.44 | 99.93 | 77.87 | 74.7 | 72.58 | 99.99 | 93.66 |
| Cadmium | µg/l | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | 3.5 | <0.4 | <0.4 | <0.4 |
| Chromium | µg/l | 4 | 4 | 3 | 4 | <1 | <1 | <1 |
| Copper | µg/l | 10 | 8 | 8 | 9 | 6 | 6 | <5 |
| Iron | µg/l | 75 | 47 | 112 | 132 | 123 | 38 | 55 |
| Lead | µg/l | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Magnesium | mg/l | 6.48 | 4.44 | 5.38 | 5.3 | 5.23 | 8.89 | 6.73 |
| Manganese | µg/l | 11 | 10 | 10 | 9 | 5 | 6 | 4 |
| Mercury | µg/l | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 | <0.05 |
| Sulphate | mg/l | 25 | 24 | 29 | 29 | 30 | 30 | 29 |
| Zinc | µg/l | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 | <5 |
| Total Alkalinity as CaCo3 | mg/l | 300 | 220 | 200 | 90 | 250 | 270 | 250 |
| Total Phosphorous | mg/l | 0.44 | 0.09 | 0.34 | 0.56 | 0.54 | 0.54 | 0.32 |

Figure 4.6 – 4.11 below present the summary results of the main surface water monitoring parameters undertaken during the three reporting periods.

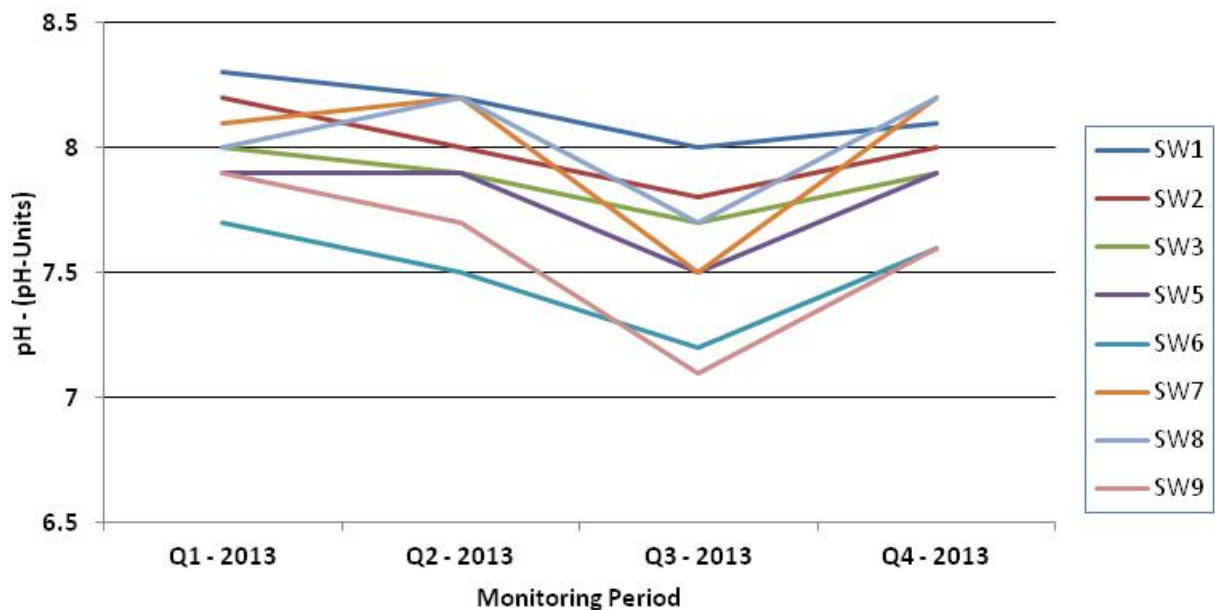


Figure 4.6: pH Results for Surface Water

The pH results, presented in Figure 4.6, are relatively consistent throughout the reporting period. The results are consistent across all monitoring locations.

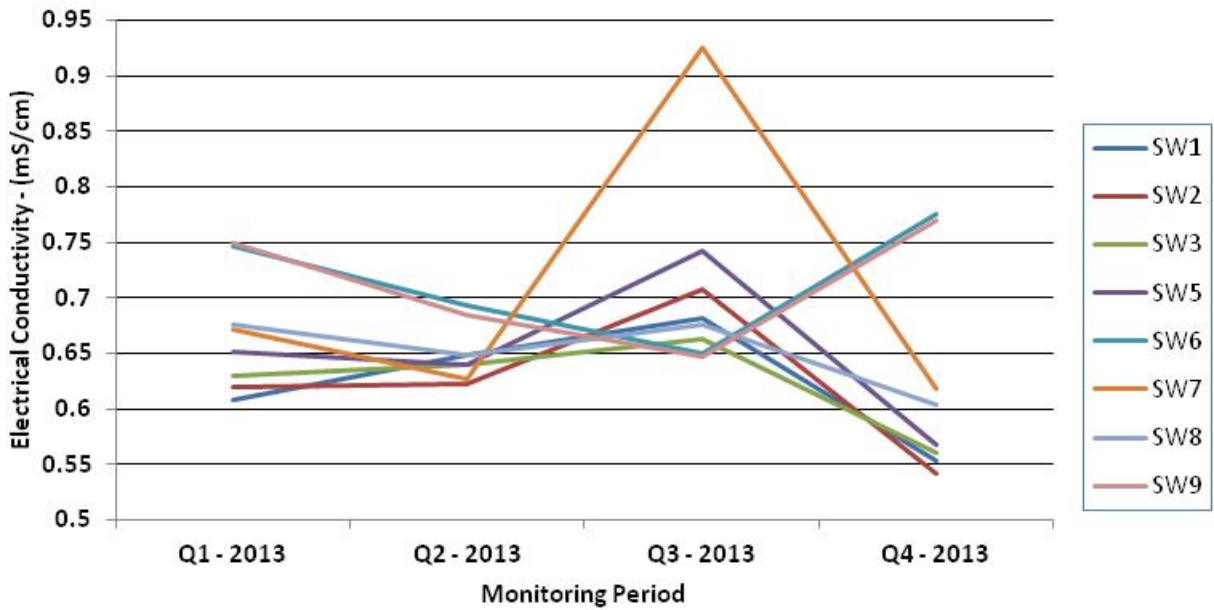


Figure 4.7: Electrical Conductivity Results for Surface Water

The electrical conductivity (EC) results, presented in Figure 4.7, were also relatively consistent throughout the reporting period. All pH and EC readings were within normal ranges for surface water except for elevated EC readings at SW7 during quarter 3. Greenstar staff has suggested the elevated reading may be from agricultural influences including land spreading in adjoining fields to this location.

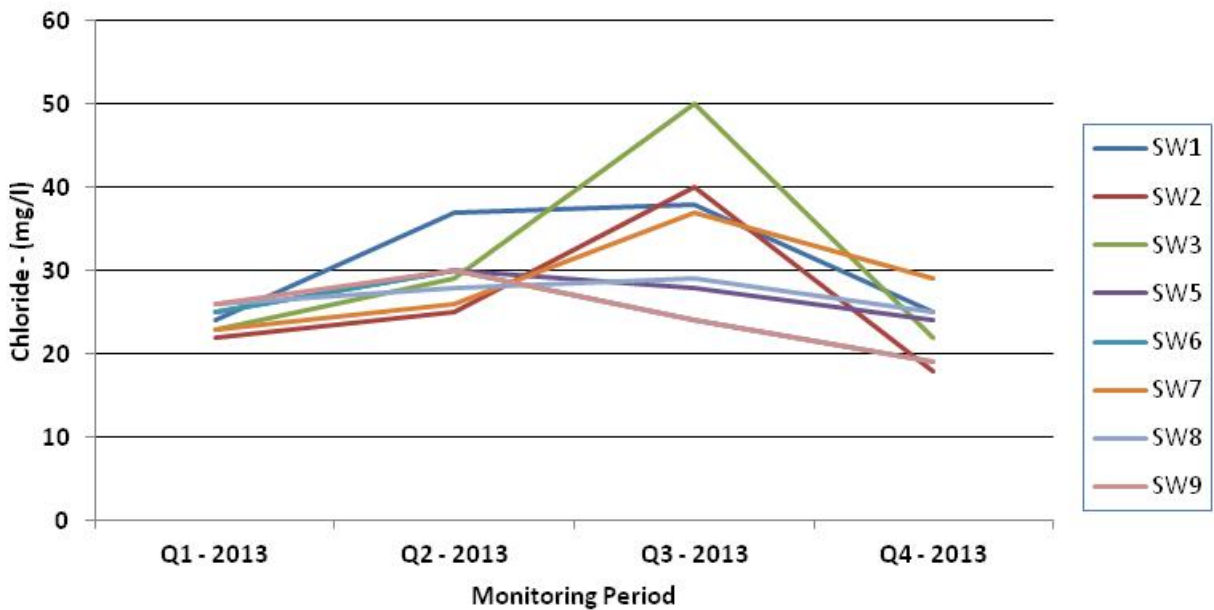


Figure 4.8: Chloride Results for Surface Water

The results for chloride (Cl) at surface water locations as presented in Figure 4.8, are consistent across all locations showing a similar trend during the reporting period.

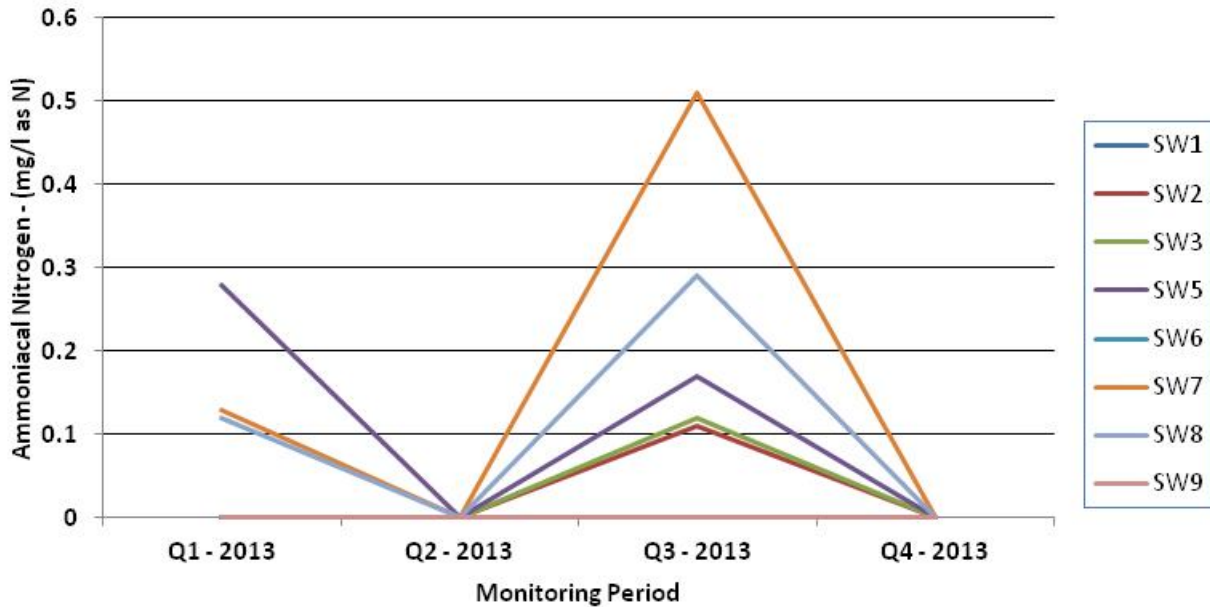


Figure 4.9: Ammoniacal Nitrogen Results for Surface Water

There is some variation in the ammoniacal nitrogen results (as shown in Figure 4.9) during the reporting period. Elevated results were recorded at all locations during Quarter 3 but not exceeding baseline levels. All results from Quarter 4 were below 0.3 mg/l as N. Results at all monitoring locations were so low during all quarters at SW9 that they were under the laboratory limit of detection.

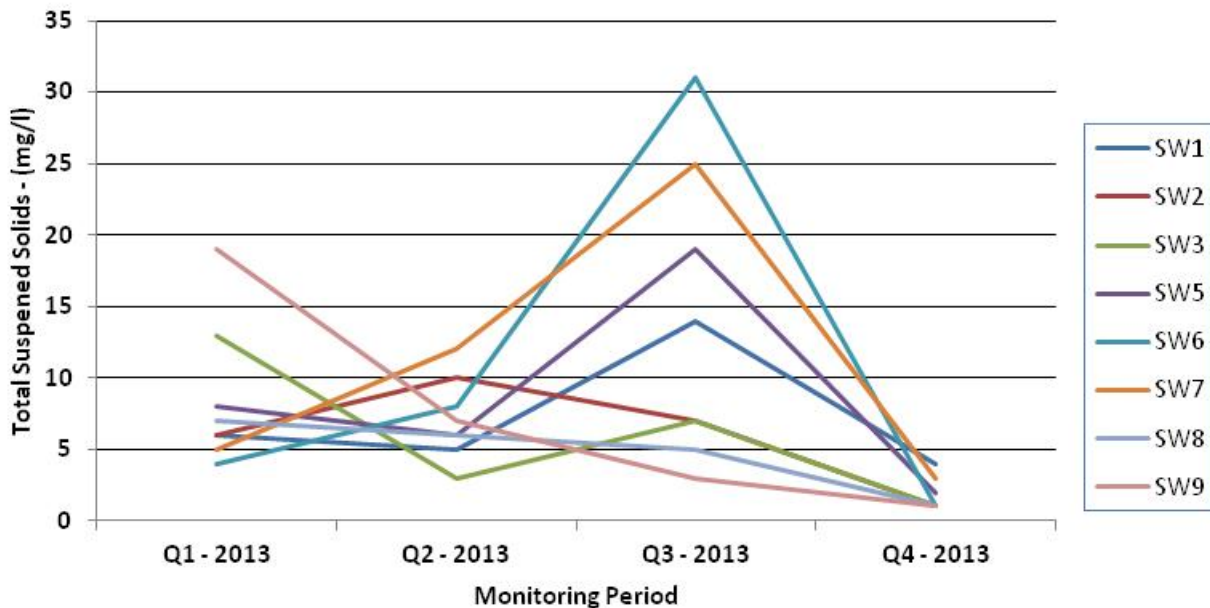


Figure 4.10: Total Suspended Solids Results for Surface Water

Levels of total suspended solids (TSS), Figure 4.10, were all within the normal range for surface waters with the exception of the results for SW7 during quarter 2 and SW5, SW6 and SW7 during quarter 3, which were recorded marginally above the baseline range.

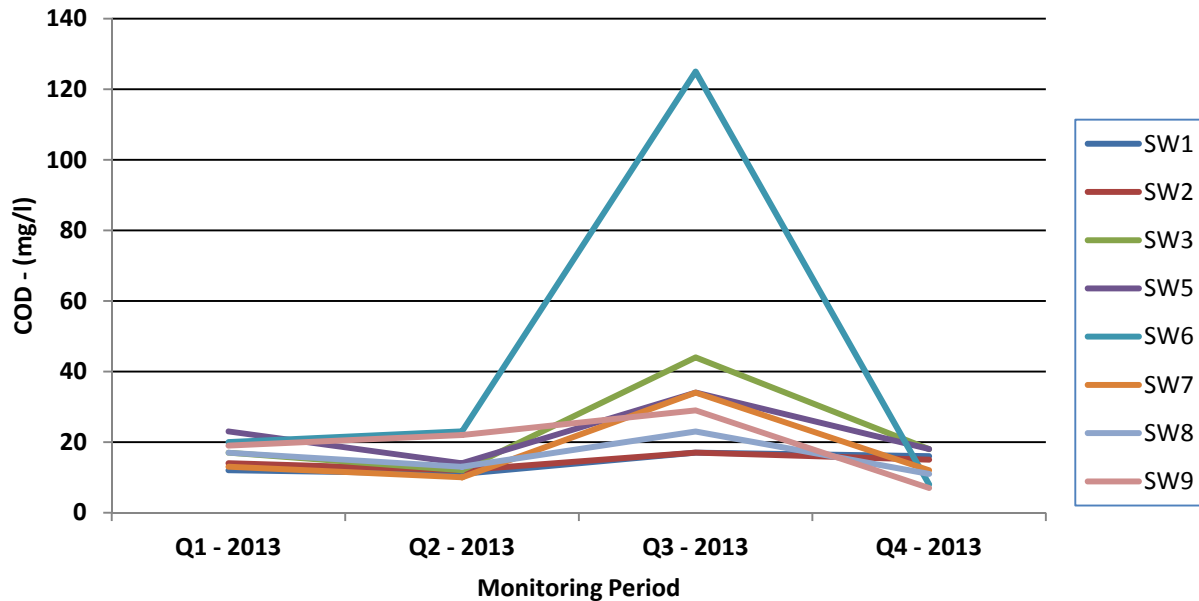


Figure 4.11: Chemical Oxygen Demand Results for Surface Water

COD levels, Figure 4.11, in general are consistent through Quarters 1 to 4 at all monitoring locations. There was a slight increase in levels at all locations during Quarter 3, with results for SW6 and SW7 both above the baseline range.

Annual Surface Water Parameters

Regarding the annual surface water monitoring parameters, the results for total oxidised nitrogen, cadmium, chromium, mercury, orthophosphate, copper, lead and zinc are all recorded under the baseline range of results for all monitoring locations.

The total alkalinity levels are above the baseline at SW1, SW2, SW3, SW5, SW6 and SW7. The results at all other locations are within the baseline range of results.

Iron levels range from 60 mg/l to 590 mg/l and are above baseline levels at SW1, SW2, SW3, SW7 and SW8.

Sulphate levels range from 20 mg/l to 221 mg/l. The results are over the baseline results at SW1, SW5, SW6, SW7 and SW8 whilst the results for all other locations under the baseline levels. Baseline and annual monitoring data has been assessed to determine any trends in sulphate concentrations and the results show sulphate concentrations to be highly variable, both up and down stream, in the nine year period since monitoring began.

The potassium levels were all below the baseline levels at all locations, except at SW2 and SW7 where the results were above the baseline level.

The total phosphorous results range from 0.10 mg/l to 1.48 mg/l and were above the baseline at SW1, SW2, SW3, SW7 and SW8.

Magnesium, manganese, sodium and calcium results were all above the baseline levels at all monitoring locations.

10.7.4. Conclusion

In general, surface water quality in the water bodies surrounding the site is good and operations at the site have not resulted in any adverse impacts on the water quality during the reporting period. SW7 has slightly elevated readings which Greenstar staff has suggested may be from agricultural influences including land spreading in adjoining fields to this location during the year

4.3. Groundwater

Groundwater monitoring was undertaken by FTC personnel at seven groundwater wells on the site during the reporting period and the results were reported to the Agency as part of the quarterly reports for the facility. The wells were monitored in accordance with Schedule D.5.1 of the waste licence and shown on Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I. The direction of groundwater flow on the site is from northwest to southeast. Groundwater wells MW1d, MW2d, MW3d and MW7d are located up-gradient of the landfill and MW5d, MW6d and MW16d are located down gradient of the landfill.

The groundwater trigger levels (GWTL) were revised and forwarded to the EPA for approval on 17 August 2010. Approval was granted on 23 December 2011. The revised GWTL were used in the assessment of groundwater quality from quarter 1 2012 onwards and are presented in Table 4.3.

Table 4.5: Groundwater Trigger Levels

| Parameter | Units | Groundwater Trigger Level |
|------------------------------|-----------|---------------------------|
| pH (Field) | pH Units | 8.28 |
| Temperature (Field) | C | 25 |
| Ammoniacal Nitrogen as N | mg/l as N | 1.96 |
| Oxygen, dissolved (Field) | mg/l | NAC |
| Electrical Conductivity | mS/cm | 0.95 |
| Chloride | mg/l | 31.28 |
| Organic Carbon, Total | mg/l | 12.99 |
| Potassium (diss.filt) | mg/l | 6.25 |
| Sodium (diss.filt) | mg/l | 112.33 |
| Iron | mg/l | 0.2 |
| Total Oxidised Nitrogen as N | mg/l | NAC |
| Phenols, Total monohydric | mg/l | 0.02 |
| Coliforms, Total* | MPN/100ml | 0 ¹ |
| Faecal Coliforms (W)* | CFU/100ml | 0 ¹ |

NAC = No abnormal change

¹ = Interim Guideline Values, from EPA, Towards Setting Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland

10.7.1. Groundwater Monitoring Results – Levels

The groundwater levels were recorded on a monthly basis and the results are presented in Figure 4.12. The levels remained relatively stable throughout the reporting period. During October and December 2013 there was a sharp increase in groundwater levels at MW2d. Levels in these wells have since recovered and are being monitored closely.

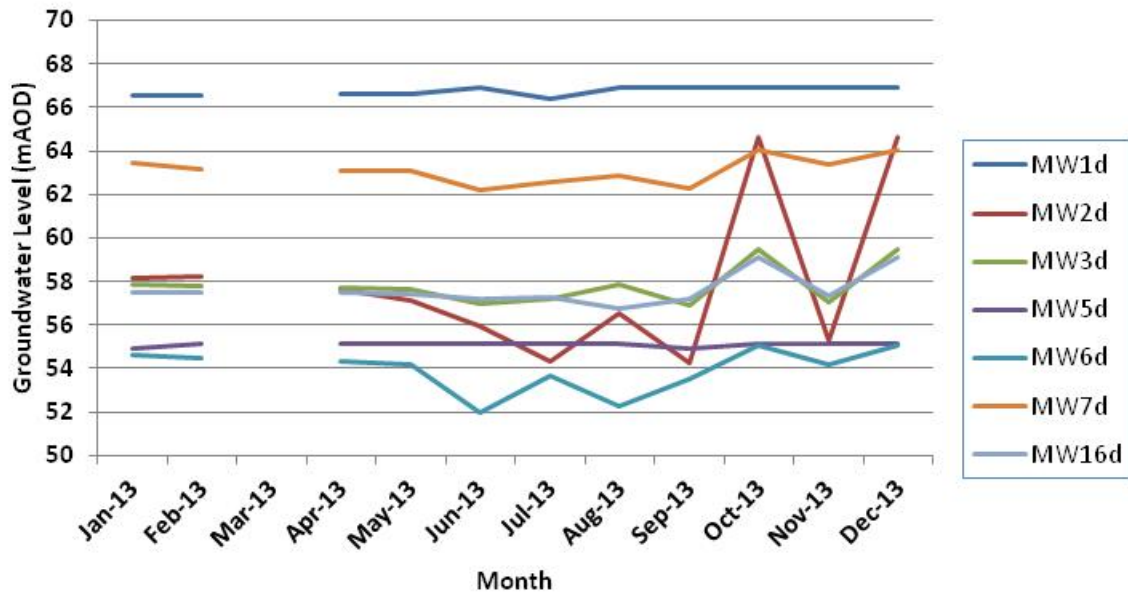


Figure 4.12: Groundwater Levels

10.7.2. Groundwater Monitoring Results – Chemical Assessment

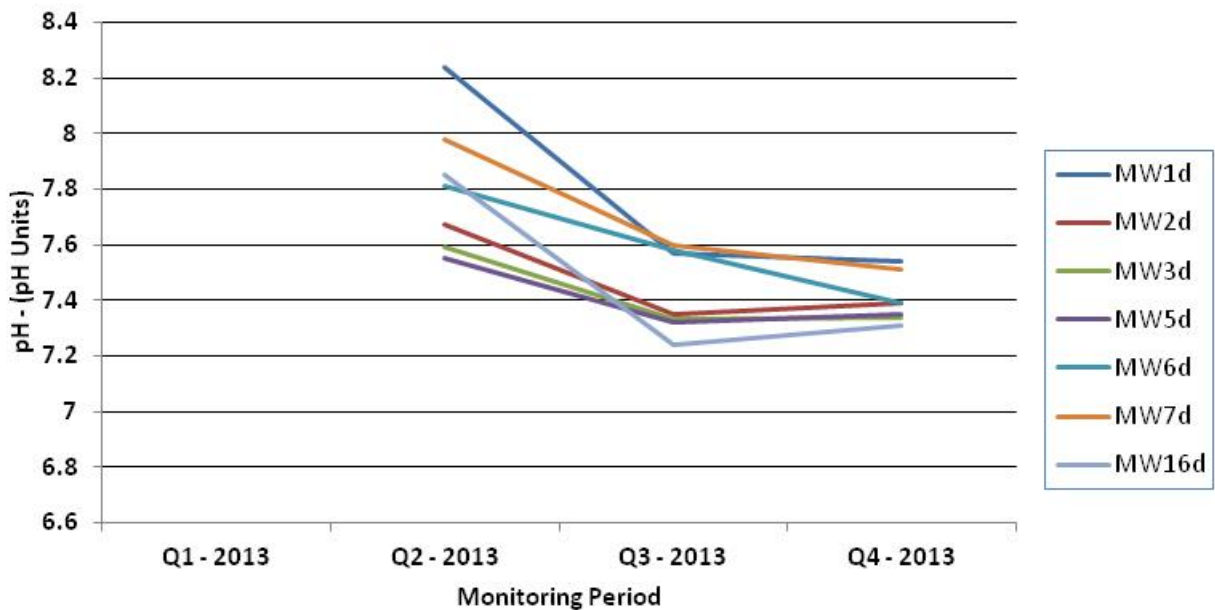


Figure 4.13: pH Results for Groundwater

The pH levels recorded in the groundwater were under the GWTL for all samples. The pH levels, presented in Figure 4.13, in general fell from quarter 2 through to quarter 4. The pH results range from 7.24 to 8.24 pH units. pH for quarter 1 was not available due to faults with the monitoring equipment during sampling.

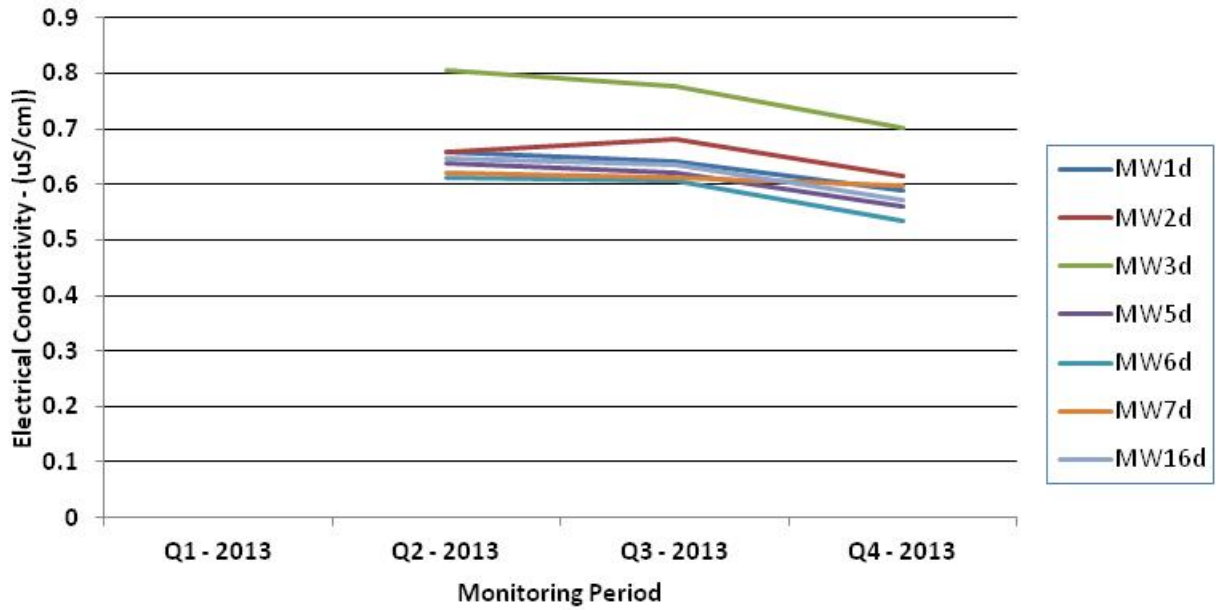


Figure 4.14: Electrical Conductivity Results for Groundwater

Electrical conductivity levels, presented in Figure 4.14, show that all readings remain consistent through quarters 2 to 4, ranging from 0.534 to 0.776 mS/cm, and are below the GWTL for all samples. The electrical conductivity levels are all consistent with unpolluted groundwater. Electrical conductivity for quarter 1 was not available due to faults with the monitoring equipment during sampling.

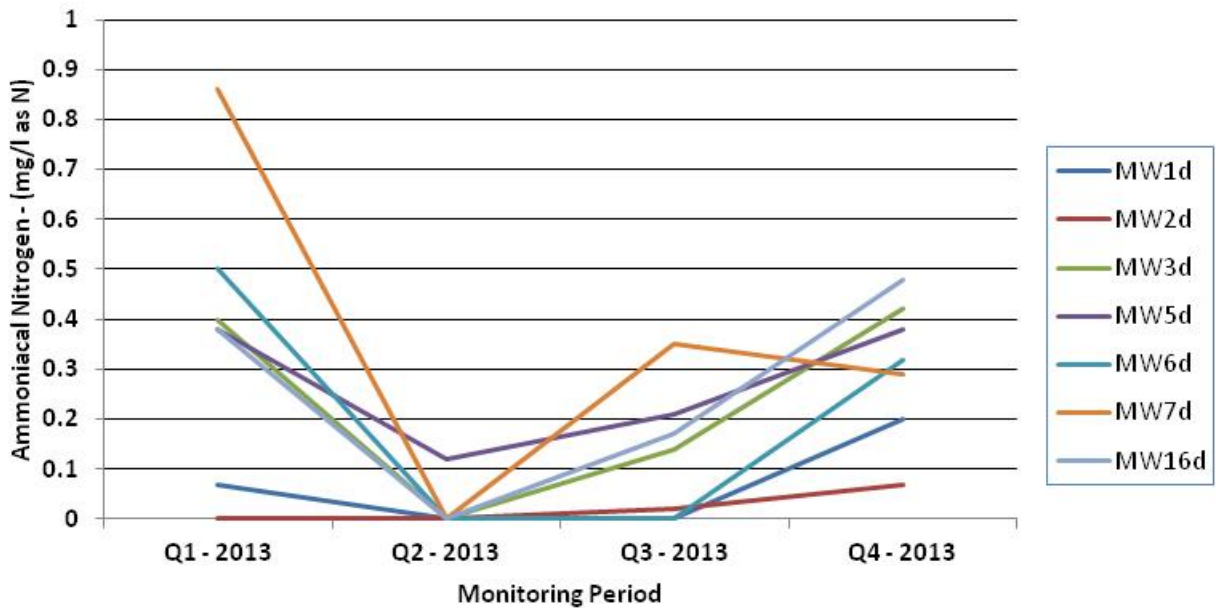


Figure 4.15: Ammoniacal Nitrogen Results for Groundwater

The levels of ammoniacal nitrogen are presented below in Figure 4.15. The ammoniacal nitrogen results are relatively consistent over the reporting period and are all below the GWTL, ranging from <0.2 to 0.544 mg/l as N. The most significant difference in results was recorded in MW7d in quarter 1 where the ammoniacal N levels was 0.86 mg/l. Although below the GWTL, it is more elevated than the levels over the past 2 years. MW7D is up-gradient of the landfill and so the levels of ammoniacal N are likely to be from agricultural practices.

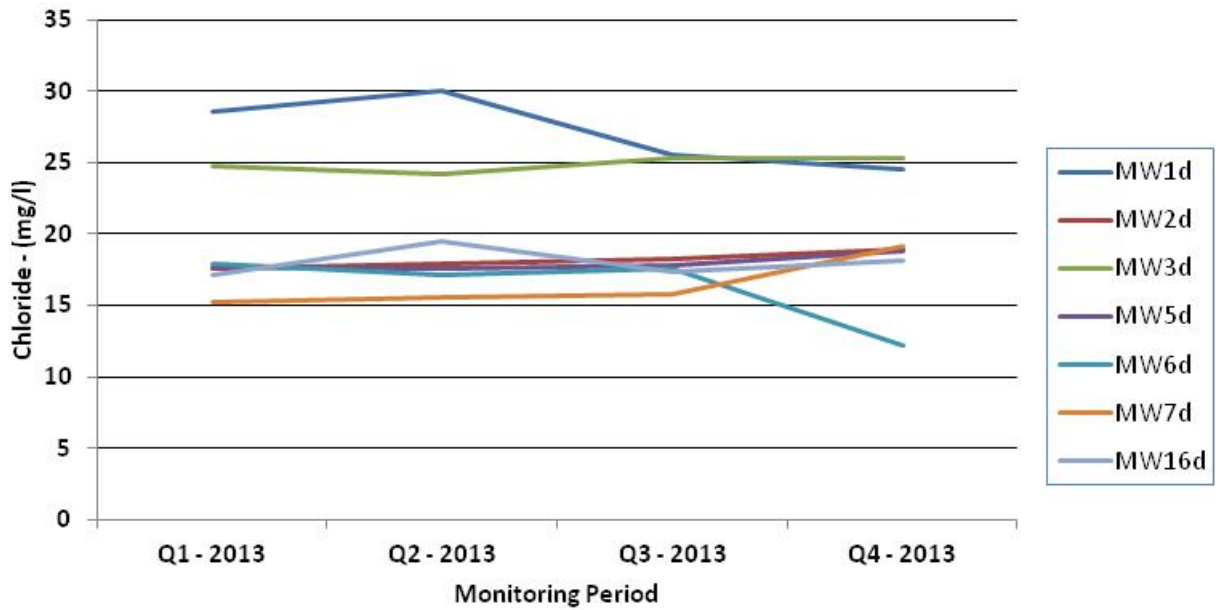


Figure 4.16: Chloride Results for Groundwater

Chloride (Cl) levels, presented in Figure 4.16, show that levels are consistent during the reporting period and all samples fell below the GWTL. The results range from 15.2 to 30.01 mg/l. All CL levels recorded during the reporting period are also within the Interim Guideline Values, (IGV) set out in the Environmental Protection Agency, (EPA) Groundwater *"Towards Setting the Guideline Values for the Protection of Groundwater in Ireland"* apart from MW1d during quarter 2 2013. The level is 0.01 mg/l above the IGV of 30 mg/l. MW1D is up-gradient of the landfill and so the levels of chloride N are unlikely to be from landfilling practices.

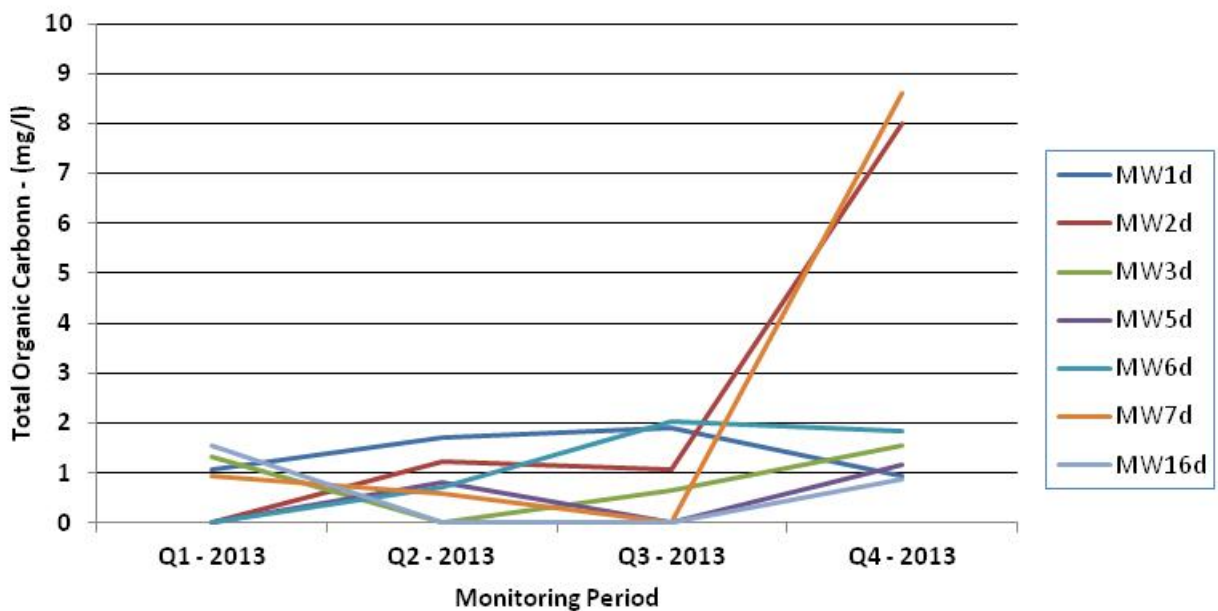


Figure 4.17: TOC Results for Groundwater

The total organic carbon (TOC), presented in Figure 4.12, levels during all quarters were all below the GWTL and ranged from <0.5 to 8.62 mg/l.

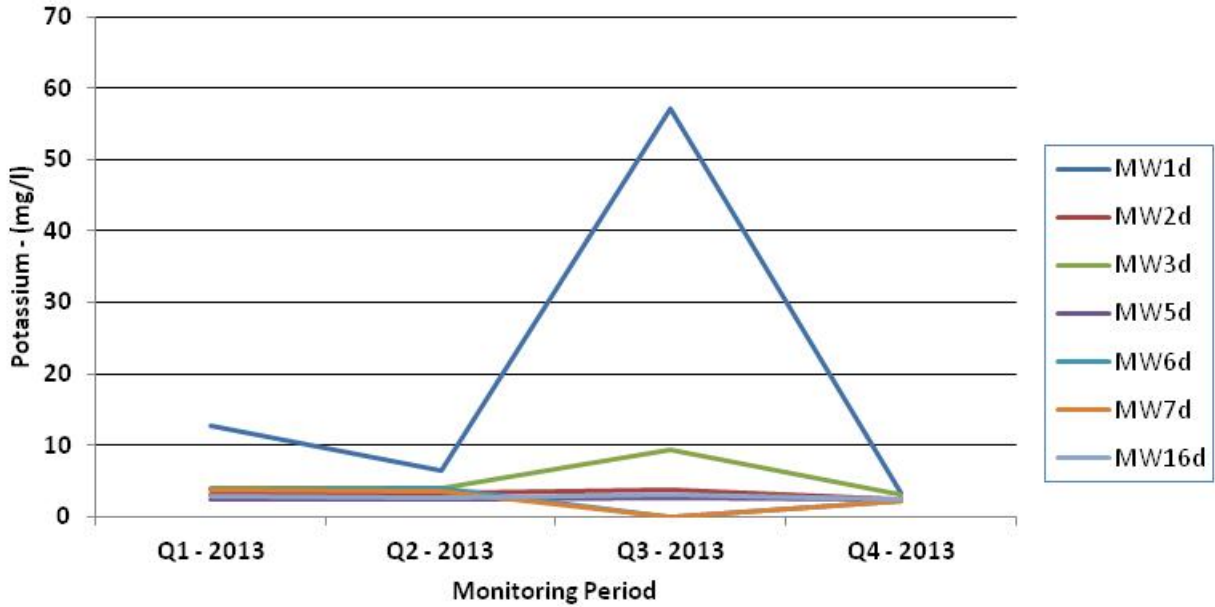


Figure 4.18 Potassium Results for Groundwater

Potassium level spikes above the GWTL was observed in quarters 1, 2 and 3 at MW1d and during quarter 3 at MW3d, presented in Figure 4.18. The potassium levels at MW1d peaked at 57.2 mg/l during quarter 3. All other potassium results during quarters 1 to 4 were below the GWTL, ranging from <0.4 to 6.5 mg/l. As both MW1d and MW3d are up-gradient of the landfill, the elevated levels are unlikely to be as a result of landfill activities.

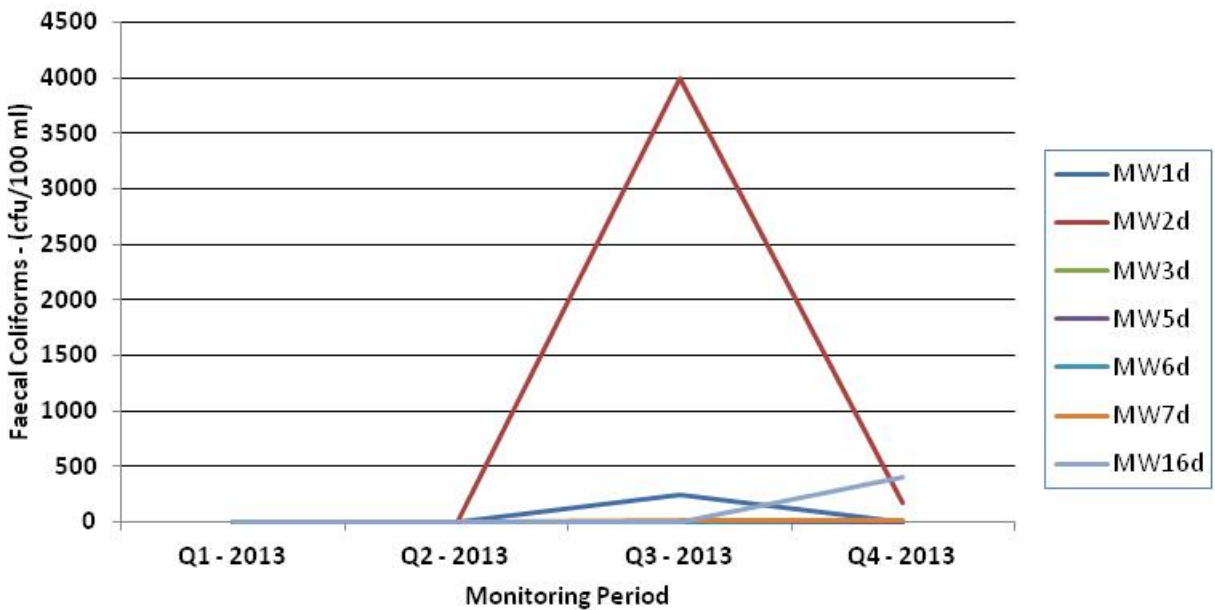


Figure 4.19: Faecal Coliforms Results for Groundwater

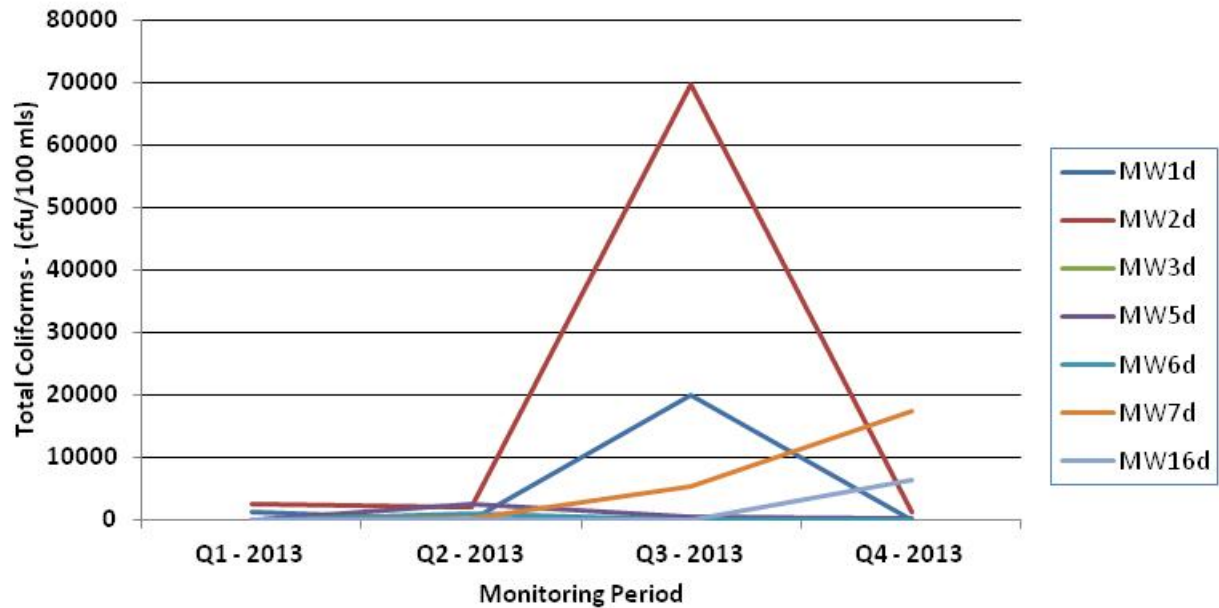


Figure 4.20: Total Coliforms Results for Groundwater

Variable levels of faecal and total coliforms, presented in Figure 4.19 and Figure 4.20 respectively, were recorded in a number of wells during the reporting period. Historically total and faecal coliforms have been detected in all groundwater monitoring boreholes around the site. All the monitored groundwater boreholes are dedicated monitoring wells and not used for any other purpose than groundwater monitoring.

10.7.3. Conclusion

In general, groundwater conditions at the site have not altered significantly and are not breaching the GWTLs to a large extent. Those parameters that were breaching the GWTLs will continue to be closely observed during coming monitoring events.

The monitoring program confirms that site activities are not impacting on groundwater quality.

4.4. Dust and PM₁₀ Monitoring

Greenstar made a submission to the EPA (LR002767) requesting a reduction in the frequency of dust and particulate (PM₁₀) monitoring. The EPA agreed on the 14 August 2013 to reduce the frequency for dust monitoring from monthly to quarterly and for PM₁₀ monitoring from quarterly to annually.

Due to a failure of the ambient air sampler, there are no PM₁₀ results for Quarters 1 and 2, 2013. This incident was the subject of a letter to the EPA from Fehily Timoney and Company, dated 9 January 2013.

As a result of submission LR002767, PM₁₀ levels were monitored during quarter 4 at six locations around the perimeter of the facility. These locations are presented on Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I. The results of this monitoring, including the certificates of analysis, were submitted to the Agency as part of part of the quarter 4 monitoring report.

10.7.1. Conclusion

As discussed in Section 3.1, no dust levels were recorded above the limit at the facility during the reporting period. The monitoring results were reported to the Agency as part of quarters 1, 2, 3 and 4 reports.

The PM₁₀ trigger level, as set out in the waste licence condition 6.8.1 of 50 µg/m³ was not exceeded at any of the locations during the reporting period.

4.5. Leachate Monitoring

Leachate monitoring was carried out by Greenstar Personnel at 10 locations (LC1, LC2, LC3, LC4, LC5, LC6, LC7, LC8, LC9, LC10, LC12 and LL) during the reporting period. LC1 to LC12 are sumps within Cells 1 to 12 respectively and LL is located at the leachate lagoon.

Chemical analysis of leachate samples is undertaken in accordance with Schedule D of the waste licence. The main indicator parameter results, pH, electrical conductivity, Ammoniacal Nitrogen and Chemical Oxygen Demand are summarised below.

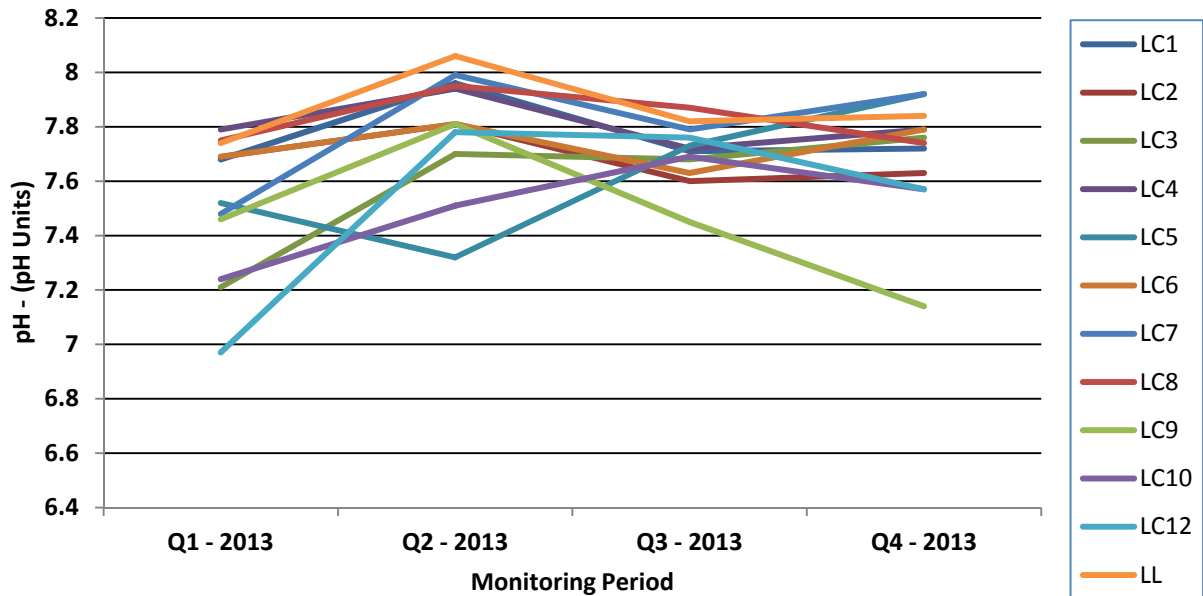


Figure 4.21: pH Results for Leachate

The pH level, presented in Figure 4.21, for leachate samples, though showing variation between quarters, follows a similar trend for all sample locations. The pH level trend indicates that the leachate is generally becoming more acidic from quarter 1 through to quarter 4.

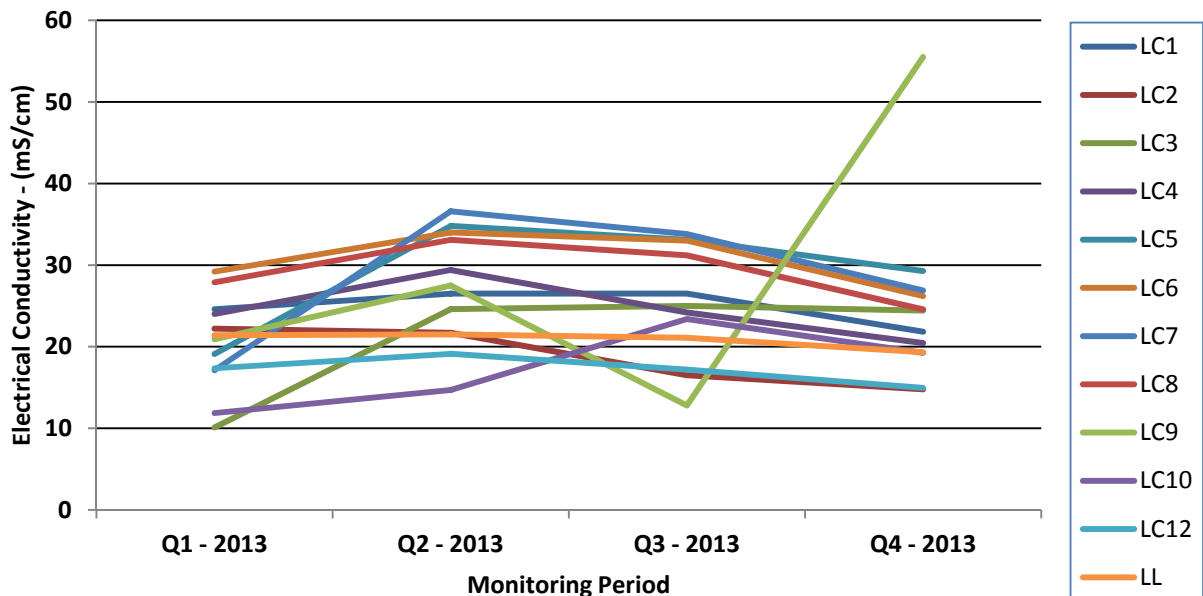


Figure 4.22: Electrical Conductivity Results for Leachate

The electrical conductivity (EC), readings presented in Figure 4.22, show greater variation in results between individual cells and between quarters. High EC levels are observed in all cells with a large elevation in cell 9 during quarter 4 2013.

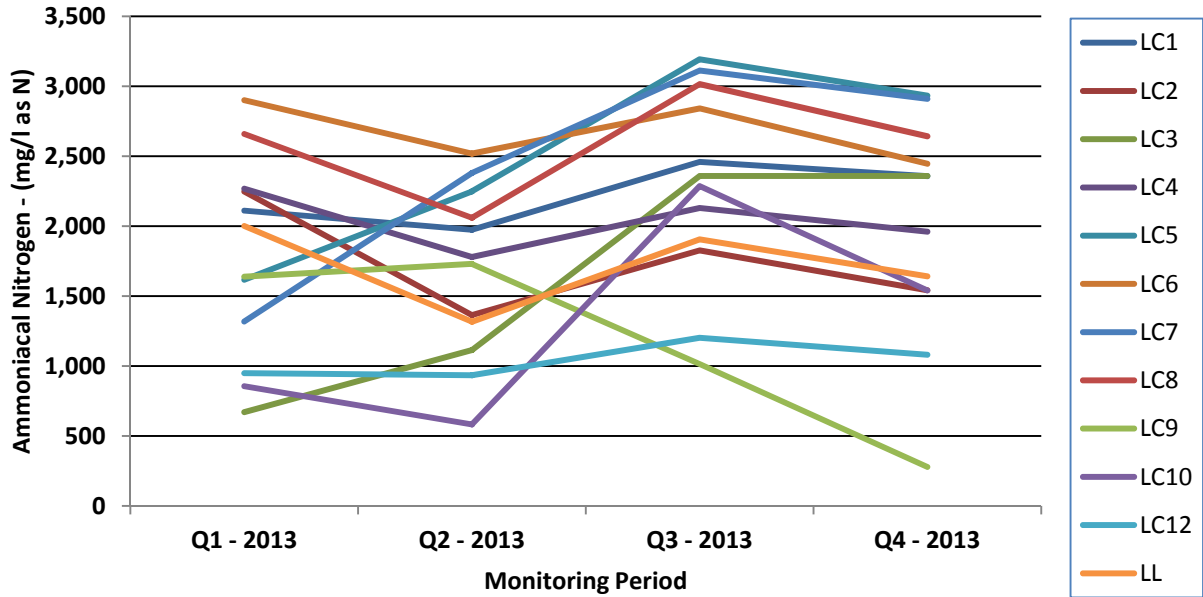


Figure 4.23: Ammoniacal Nitrogen Results for Leachate

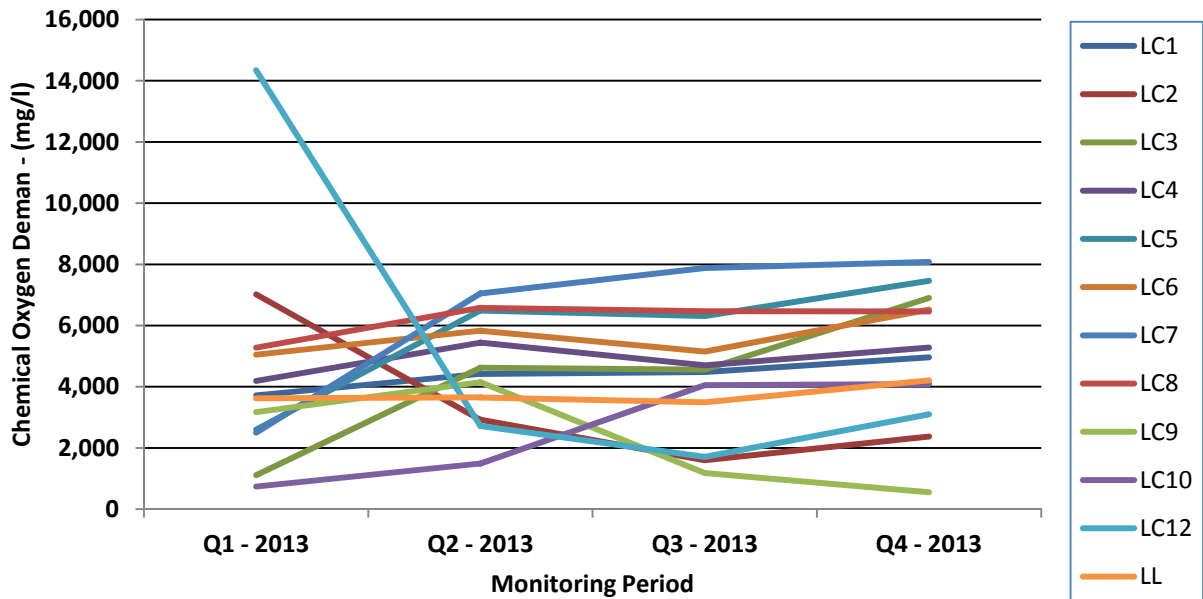


Figure 4.24: Chemical Oxygen Demand Results for Leachate

There are no trends associated with ammoniacal nitrogen, presented in Figure 4.23, and chemical oxygen demand, presented in Figure 4.24 in leachate sampled through the reporting period apart from elevated COD levels at LC12 during quarter 1.

10.7.1. Conclusion

In general, the reported concentrations for leachate samples are consistent with the typical composition of leachate sampled from large landfills and in line with the levels presented in the EPA *Landfill Manual on Landfill Site Design* (2000). The 2013 results indicate an increase in leachate strength throughout the reporting period, which is expected given the age of the facility and the extensive capping completed during 2012/2013.

Leachate is removed off site to Wastewater Treatment Plant (WWTP) as agreed with the Agency.

4.6. Noise Monitoring

Noise monitoring was discussed in Section 3.1 above. Monitoring of noise emissions from the facility is carried out on a quarterly basis at four locations outlined in Drawing Number LW11-172-03-100-001, Appendix I. The results were reported to the Agency as part of the quarterly reports but are summarised below.

Table 4.6: L_{Aeq} Results for Noise Recorded (inclusive of tonal penalties)

| Location | Quarter 1 | Quarter 2 | Quarter 3 | Quarter4 |
|----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|----------|
| N1 | 53 | 53 | 52 | 54 |
| N2 | 57 | 56 | 54 | 53 |
| N3 | 49 | 46 | 41 | 48 |
| N4 | 54 | 52 | 40 | 50 |

With the exception of noise recorded in quarter 1 and quarter 2 at N2, all other results were within the 55 dB limit for daytime noise at the facility boundary. During monitoring for Quarter 1, the L_{Aeq} was 57 dB at N2 and in Quarter 3, the L_{Aeq} was 56 dB at N2.

As referred to in Section 3.1 above, traffic movements on the close by main road, the N2 and vehicle movements on the local road, adjacent to the noise monitoring locations, contributed to the dominant noise at the monitoring location. This is a trend that is consistent with previous AER reports.

Section 5

Resource and Energy Consumption



5. RESOURCE AND ENERGY CONSUMPTION

The main resources consumed at the facility during the reporting period were electricity, water for potable supply & vehicle wheel cleaning, diesel fuel and hydraulic oils. The details are listed in Table 5.1 below.

Table 5.1: Energy and Resource Consumption at Knockharley, 2013

| Resource | Consumption |
|-------------------------------|--|
| Electricity | 138,662 kWh |
| Water, Mains | 5,475 units |
| Diesel (green) | 88,445 litres |
| Hydraulic Oils | 450 litres |
| Odour Neutralisers | 1000 litres (used at Rilta facility re leachate) |
| Waste Oil (Bioverda Compound) | 29,800 litres |

An Energy Efficiency Audit was completed in September 2010 in compliance with Condition 2.5.1. The audit was carried out in accordance with the Agency's "Guidance Note on Energy Efficiency Auditing" (2003).

Section 6

Development & Restoration Works



6. DEVELOPMENT & RESTORATION WORKS

6.1. Development Works Undertaken in 2013

The main development works undertaken during 2013 included:

- 19 additional landfill gas extraction wells were drilled and installed in cell 12
- Final capping applied to an area of 55,000m² in Cells 1 to 6 and parts of Cells 7 and 8.
- Placement of 5,500 m² of impermeable temporary capping along the northern flanks of Cell 12.

6.2. Proposed Development Works to be undertaken in 2014

The following development works are planned to be undertaken in 2014:

- Continue soil placement on the final cap placed during 2013.
- Placement of impermeable temporary cap in Cell 12 and along flanks of Cell 9.

6.3. Updates of the Restoration and Aftercare Plan

A restoration and aftercare plan was submitted to the Agency for agreement on 6th April 2005.

6.4. Site Survey

In accordance with Condition 8.9.1 of the waste licence a topographical survey of the facility is carried out annually. The survey for the 2013 reporting period is included in Appendix II.

Section 7

Leachate Volumes



7. LEACHATE

The annual leachate management structure report (Condition 3.14.5) was carried out on 15 January 2014 and is included as part of the AER in Appendix III.

7.1. Volume of Leachate Transported Off Site

The volume of leachate tankered off-site in 2012 was 25,818.18 tonnes. 6,963.80 tonnes was consigned to Navan Wastewater Treatment Plant, 15,412.24 tonnes was consigned to EPS Ltd. Drogheda and 3,442.14 tonnes was consigned to Rilta Environmental Dublin.

Section 8

Landfill Gas



8. LANDFILL GAS

There were four gas utilisation engines and three enclosed flares present on-site during the reporting period. One of the four engines is awaiting overhaul and was not operational during 2013.

Two high temperature enclosed landfill gas flares (each a *Haase 1,500m³/hr*) were installed at a dedicated gas management area east of the waste cells in 2007 and February 2009 respectively. A high temperature enclosed landfill gas flare (*Haase 2,500m³/hr*) was installed in the dedicated gas management area east of the waste cells in December 2009.

Two landfill gas utilisation engines were installed within the same gas management compound during 2010 with a further two added during 2012.

Table 8.1 presents data on the flaring and utilisation of methane occurring on-site during the reporting period.

Flare and engine stack monitoring was undertaken in August 2013, in accordance with Schedule D of the waste licence. Stack emission testing for engine one was not undertaken at this time as it was not operational. Both flares 1 and 2 were non-operational at this time as well.

Landfill gas generation at the site has been determined throughout the filling period and post-closure until 2050. The peak landfill gas generation rate has been modelled by GasSim2 to be 3,130 m³/hr (at the 50%ile) occurring in 2011. After 2011 the gas generation rate is forecast to decline steadily to approximately 200 m³/hr (at the 50%ile) in 2038. The modelled peak of maximum recoverable landfill gas (LFG) is forecasted to be 2,560 m³/hr (50%ile) in 2010. After 2010 the gas recovery rate is forecast to decline being 2,400 m³/hr (50%ile) in 2013.

Based on actual data recorded *in-situ* on-site at the flares and engines and entered into the EPA Gas Combustion spread sheet for annual summation, the flare utilisation figure is 33,577 kg/yr CH₄ and the engine utilisation figure is 5,728,637 kg/yr CH₄ for 2013.

Table 8.1: Summary of Landfill Gas Flared at Knockharley, 2013

| | Quantity of Methane Collected | |
|----------------------------------|--|---------------------------------|
| | Total CH ₄ (m ³ /yr) * | Total CH ₄ (kg/yr) * |
| Flare 3 | 55,164 | 33,577 |
| Total Flared | 55,164 | 33,577 |
| | | |
| Engine 1 | 884,138 | 538,156 |
| Engine 2 | 3,235,762 | 1,969,541 |
| Engine 3 | 2,324,280 | 1,414,740 |
| Engine 4 | 2,967,410 | 1,806,200 |
| Total Utilised | 9,411,590 | 5,728,637 |
| | | |
| Total Flared and Utilised | 9,466,754 | 5,762,214 |

* denotes - at 98% Combustion Efficiency

Section 9

Summary Annual Water Balance



9. METEOROLOGICAL DATA & ANNUAL WATER BALANCE

9.1. Meteorological Data

Meteorological data for the site was obtained from Dublin Airport and is presented in Tables 9.1 and 9.2 below.

Table 9.1: Total Rainfall (millimetres)

| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual |
|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|-------|------|------|--------|
| 2013 | 94.4 | 47.3 | 85.5 | 40.1 | 45.8 | 60.8 | 68.8 | 48.5 | 35.1 | 127.8 | 26.6 | 83.2 | 763.9 |

The total annual rainfall was recorded as 763.9 mm, with the wettest month recorded as October with 127.8 mm of rainfall and the driest month recorded as November with 26.6 mm of rainfall.

Table 9.2: Mean Temperature (degrees Celsius)

| Year | Jan | Feb | Mar | Apr | May | Jun | Jul | Aug | Sep | Oct | Nov | Dec | Annual |
|------|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|------|------|------|-----|------|-----|-----|--------|
| 2013 | 4.9 | 4.2 | 3.1 | 6.8 | 10 | 12.7 | 16.7 | 15.6 | 13 | 11.7 | 6.3 | 6.9 | 9.325 |

The annual average temperature was 9.3°C with the warmest month recorded as July with a mean temperature of 16.7 °C, while the coolest month was recorded as March with a mean temperature of 3.1 °C.

9.2. Indirect Emissions to Groundwater

The Knockharley landfill is a fully engineered and contained landfill and there are no indirect emissions to groundwater from the facility.

The potential sources of indirect emissions to groundwater from the facility are:

| | |
|---|--|
| Landfill Base: | The landfill site has a composite base lining system comprising a HDPE geomembrane and a 0.5 m thick layer of compacted Bentonite Enhanced Soil. A leak detection survey of the HDPE geomembrane after placement of the drainage stone layer was completed and defects to the HDPE liner were repaired in accordance with industry standards. A CQA report was then completed and submitted to the Agency. |
| Surface Water Collection and Treatment System: | Surface water from the paved access roads and landfill cell swale drain is collected and discharged into the surface water lagoon along with groundwater collected at the interceptor sump located below the landfill cells. Water from the lagoon is then piped to a reed bed, which further filters the water before it is finally discharged into the nearby stream |
| Treated Sewage Effluent: | There is a BioCycle wastewater treatment plant located adjacent to the weighbridge which treats the canteen and office wastewater prior to being pumped to the leachate holding tank via the foul water sump. Leachate (containing foul water) is tankered off-site to a wastewater treatment plant via a vacuum tanker. |

9.3. Groundwater Trigger Levels

In accordance with Condition 6.6 of the waste licence the groundwater trigger levels (GWTL) were revised and forwarded to the EPA. Approval of the GWTL was given by the EPA for use in the assessment of groundwater samples on the 23 December 2011 and these have been used in quarterly and AER reports since 2012.

9.4. Water Balance Calculation

An annual water balance calculation was completed for the site. The calculation is based on a waste input of 30,618 tonnes of waste.

The calculation indicated a leachate production of 23,552.4 m³ yr⁻¹. Leachate tankered off site was recorded at 25,818.18 tonnes. A greater volume of leachate was tankered off-site during the reporting period than was calculated to have been produced.

9.5. Estimated Liquid In-Waste Volume

| Year | Rainfall | Evaporation | Effective Rainfall † | Waste Input | Active area | Intermediate restoration area (cell 5-10) | Final restoration (cells 1-8) | Active Infiltration * | Intermediate Infiltration ** | Capped Infiltration** | Liquid Waste | Absorptive Capacity †† | Active Leachate | Total Leachate Production |
|------|----------|-------------|----------------------|-------------|-------------------|---|-------------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------|-------------------|------------------------|-------------------|---------------------------|
| | (mm) | (mm) | (mm) | (tonnes) | (m ²) | (m ²) | (m ²) | (m ³) | (m ³) | (m ³) | (m ³) | (m ³) | (m ³) | (m ³) |
| 2013 | 763.9 | 76.39 | 687.51 | 30,618 | 24,000 | 15,500 | 55,000 | 16,500.2 | 6,926.7 | 2,268.8 | 0 | 2,143.3 | 14,357.0 | 23,552.4 |

Notes:

The calculation was carried out using MS Excel following the method from the EPA Landfill Manual on Landfill Site Design, as shown:

$$L_o = [ER(A) + LW + IRCA + ER(I)] - a(W);$$

- where:
- Lo = leachate produced(m3)
 - ER = effective rainfall, [(ER) is defined as Total Rainfall (R) minus Actual Evapotranspiration (AE) i.e. ER=R-AE]
 - A = area of cell (m2)
 - LW = liquid waste (m3)
 - IRCA = infiltration through restored and capped areas (m3)
 - I = surface area of lagoons (m2)
 - a = absorptive capacity of waste (m3/t)
 - W = weight of waste deposited (t/a)

| | |
|------------------------------------|------------------------|
| Cell Area (m2) | 8000 |
| † Evapotranspiration calculated at | 10% of actual rainfall |
| †† Absorptive Capacity (m3/tonne) | 0.07 |
| * Active infiltration rate | 100% |
| ** Intermediate Infiltration | 65% |
| *** Final infiltration | 8% |

Section 10

Environmental Management System



10. ENVIRONMENTAL MANAGEMENT SYSTEM

10.1. Environmental Management System

In accordance with Condition 2.3 of the waste licence an Environmental Management System is maintained at the facility. The EMS completed as part of the Environmental Management Plan was sent to the Agency on the 23 July 2004 and was approved on the 23 December 2004.

Updates on the EMS are presented in the following sections of the AER.

10.2. Updates on the Landfill Environmental Management Plan (LEMP)

The Landfill Environmental Management Plan was revised and updated in compliance with Condition 2.3.2.2 in January 2014.

Changes include the updated company and staffing structure to reflect receivership changes and staff changes. Also updated was the company EHS policy document.

10.3. Report on Staff Training

All training was carried out as scheduled in the training plan for 2013. Details are as follows –

- Incident Reporting Procedure – All staff
- Various H&S toolbox talks – All staff
- Grinder: Chargehand and 1 General Operative
- Occupational First Aid, plus one (Refresher) – Weighbridge Operator & 1 General operative
- All relevant refresher courses such as dozer training, 360 degree excavator was carried out as required.

Any facility staff who performs duties which involve interpretation of monitoring results or site inspections receive the appropriate training by the Landfill Manager or nominated deputy, prior to carrying out such duties.

10.4. Management and Staffing Structure

The day to day management of the facility and supervision of waste activities are the responsibility of the Landfill Manager, nominated Deputy Manager(s) and the site operatives. The positions and names of the persons who provide management and supervision are set out as follows –

| | |
|--|---------------------------------|
| Landfill Manager | Heather Lamont* |
| Assistant Landfill Manager | Thomas Finnegan* |
| Site Foreman Chargehand/LFG Technician | Sean Smith* |
| Weighbridge Operator | Michael Noone |
| Operatives | Donal Blaney and Martin Maguire |

*Nominated Deputy in accordance with WO146-02 Condition 2.1.

10.7.1. Responsibilities

Greenstar, as the licensee, is responsible for ensuring that the requisite resources are provided to operate the facility in accordance with the objective of the LEMP and the Waste Licence conditions.

The Landfill Manager or nominated Deputy is responsible for ensuring that the day to day operation of the facility is carried out in accordance with the LEMP, the Waste Licence conditions and the Operating Procedures.

10.5. New Procedures Developed During 2013

No new operational procedures were developed in 2013 for the site.

10.6. Summary Schedule of Environmental Objectives and Targets

This section of the report presents the program of environmental objectives and targets for 2013. The progress against the 2012 objectives and targets are also discussed.

Table 10.1: Programme of Environmental Objectives and Targets proposed for 2008-2013

| Ref. No. | Objective | Aspect | Target | Deadline | Responsibility |
|--|----------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1 | Gas Management | 1. Generation of LFG 4. Release of LFG | Hold Gas Management meetings every 6 months to review existing infrastructure and discuss maintenance and upgrading as required. | On-going | AM/FM |
| | | | In accordance with condition 6.10.5 of the waste licence W0146-02, the site will aim to reduce the number of fugitive VOC emissions from the landfill at each survey. Records are kept showing results of surveys. | On-going | All |
| | | | All waste filled to final levels during 2011 to have permanent capping installed within 24 months | 2013 | FM/AM |
| | | | Flow meters to be installed on gas engines to give better optimisation whilst balancing gas wells | Completed | |
| | | | Reduce O2 level in bad gas stream to for optimal operational efficiency of flares once temporary capping in place | Completed Completed Completed | AM/FM |
| | | | -5% | | |
| | | | -4.50% | | |
| | | | -3.50% | | |
| | | | Maintain engines at O2 level of 2.5% and below for optimal running and output | On-going | AM/FM |
| Extend existing measures to further insulate pipes and flares to prevent against potential downtime during cold months. Use of light bulbs to keep pumps warm. | Completed | AM/FM | | | |
| Increase use of double lifts and horizontal wells along exposed outer flanks of landfill. | On-going | AM/FM | | | |

| Ref. No. | Objective | Aspect | Target | Deadline | Responsibility |
|----------|----------------------------------|----------------------------|---|---|----------------|
| 2 | Leachate Management | 12. Generation of leachate | Continue to monitor and control leachate through quarterly leachate quality monitoring and weekly leachate level checks. | Weekly, Quarterly, On-going | FM |
| | | | Implement recirculation of leachate at the landfill. | When final capping sufficient and Agency approval given | FM |
| | | | Continually assess and upgrade infrastructure as necessary. | Continual | FM |
| | | | Construct leachate processing plant on site. | Plans on hold | |
| | | | Permanent capping to all finished areas of landfill and extra clay capping on intermediate areas. | Start 2011 - 2013 | AM/FM |
| 3 | Landscaping | 2/26. Generation of GHG's | Maintain and continue to improve all on site landscaping and the wetland area. | On-going | FM |
| | | 20. Emissions to air | Employ a landscape contractor to assess plantations, replace failed trees/plants and improve the overall general appearance of the landfill site. | On-going (Seasonal) Has been brought in house | FM |
| | | 17. Visual Impact | | Planning application withdrawn | |
| 4 | Environmental Control / Nuisance | 3/6/8. Generation of dust | Review relationships with neighbours and interested parties on a continual basis and review communications programme annually. | Annually & On-going | AM/FM |
| | | 6/14. Birds/vermin/flies | Review the number and composition of complaints to determine any trends. | Monthly | FM |
| | | 4. Release of LFG | Extend litter picking to include inner boundary road as illegal dumping appears to have increased here. | On-going from March | AM/FM |
| | | 5/9. Litter | Continue to hold regular meetings with local residents | On-going | AM/FM |
| | | 13/15/19.Noise | Finish cells 9/10 and go into cells 11/12 where visual aspect can be minimised. | Completed | |
| | | 17. Visual Impact | Continue with litter patrols and litter picking | On-going, weekly | AM/FM |
| | | | | | |

| Ref. No. | Objective | Aspect | Target | Deadline | Responsibility |
|----------|--|--|---|---|----------------|
| 5 | Education and Environmental Awareness | Aspects 1-28 | Actively encourage site visits from interested parties i.e. local community groups, schools, clubs, etc. | On-going | AM |
| | | | Review relationships with neighbours and interested parties on a continual basis and review communications programme annually. | Annually & On-going | AM/FM |
| | | | Continue distribution of newsletter to local people at regular intervals. | On Hold | AM/FM |
| | | | Continue to provide sponsorship of interested local parties, clubs, etc. | On Hold September 2012 | FM |
| | | | Keep Public Information Room updated and current. | On-going | AM |
| | | | Update as part of newsletter, progress on planning permission | Planning application withdrawn | |
| | | | Review Communications Programme | July 2012 | FM |
| | | | Investigate possibility of establishing fruit and nut orchard in perimeter land as a natural habitat and as an educational area for local schools and residents | Plans on hold due to the withdrawal of planning application | AM/FM |
| 6 | Reduce energy usage on-site | 11/16/23. Use of energy 2/19. Generation of GHG's | Implement an updated Energy Awareness Programme incorporating the recommendations from the 2010 energy audit. | Sept 2010 Onwards | AM/FM |
| | | | Look into changing all light bulbs to energy saving versions | Investigation closed out | |
| | | | Fix water leak and regain costs lost as a direct result by issuing a leak rectifying report to Meath Co Co | Completed | |
| | | | Put energy use and energy saving report into Autumn Newsletter | Closed Out | |
| | | | Install new energy saving dishwasher | Completed | |
| 7 | Minimise fugitive emissions while carrying out capping works | 29. Global warming and nuisance | Cap in progressive, small sections to reduce the potential of fugitive emissions. Coordinate with the contractor on this and include nuisance issues in regular construction meetings | Q2 – Q3 2012 | AM/FM |

Table 10.2: Schedule & progress against Environmental Objectives and Targets for 2013

| Ref. No. | Objective | Aspect | Target | Deadline | Responsibility | Progress |
|----------|----------------|---|--|-------------------------------------|----------------|--|
| 1 | Gas Management | 1. Generation of LFG 4. Release of LFG | Hold Gas Management meetings every 6 months to review existing infrastructure and discuss maintenance and upgrading as required. | On-going | AM/FM | 2 meetings were held in 2013 |
| | | | In accordance with condition 6.10.5 of the waste licence W0146-02, the site will aim to reduce the number of fugitive VOC emissions from the landfill at each survey. Records are kept showing results of surveys. | On-going | All | The number of locations where VOC emissions exceeded the trigger levels increased by 3 zones from 2012 to 2013 |
| | | | All waste filled to final levels during 2011 to have permanent capping installed within 24 months | 2013 | FM/AM | Final capping is nearly completed in Cells 1 to 4. Final capping of Cells 5 to 8 is scheduled for 2013 |
| | | | Flow meters to be installed on gas engines to give better optimisation whilst balancing gas wells | March/April 2011 | CetCo | Completed July 2011 |
| | | | Reduce O2 level in bad gas stream to for optimal operational efficiency of flares once temporary capping in place -5% -4.50% -3.50% | April 2011 Dec 2011 June 2012 | AM/FM | The bad gas line was removed before June 2012. All gas combined for utilisation. |
| | | | Maintain engines at O2 level of 2.5% and below for optimal running and output | On-going | AM/FM | O2 level maintained between 2 – 3% |
| | | | Extend existing measures to further insulate pipes and flares to prevent against potential downtime during cold months. Use of light bulbs to keep pumps warm. | Sept/Oct 2011 | AM/FM | Completed |

| | | | | | | |
|---|----------------------------------|--|---|---|-------|--|
| | | | Increase use of double lifts and horizontal wells along exposed outer flanks of landfill. | On-going | AM/FM | On-going |
| 2 | Leachate Management | 12. Generation of leachate | Continue to monitor and control leachate through quarterly leachate quality monitoring and weekly leachate level checks. | Weekly, Quarterly On-going | FM | In general, all levels compliant with the licence. |
| | | | Implement recirculation of leachate at the landfill. | When final capping sufficient and Agency approval given | | Recirculation pipework has been installed in Cells 1 to 8. Recirculation has yet to begin. |
| | | | Continually assess and upgrade infrastructure as necessary. | Continually | FM | On-going. |
| | | | Permanent capping to all finished areas of landfill and extra clay capping on intermediate areas | Start 2011 - 2013 | AM/FM | Final capping works completed in Cells 1 to 8. |
| 3 | Landscaping | 2/26. Generation of GHG's 20. Emissions to air 17. Visual Impact | Maintain and continue to improve all on site landscaping and the wetland area. | On-going | FM | Grass cutting programme completed in conjunction with local farmers |
| | | | Employ a landscape contractor to assess plantations, replace failed trees/plants and improve the overall general appearance of the landfill site. | On-going (seasonal) | FM | Landscaping work has been brought in house. |
| | | | Implement planting of fruit and nut trees as part of landscaping in planning application | End 2011 | AM/FM | Planning application withdrawn in Sept 2011 |
| 4 | Environmental Control / Nuisance | 3/6/8. Generation of dust 6. Birds/vermin/flies 4. Release of LFG 5/9. Litter 13/15/19.Noise | Review relationships with neighbours and interested parties on a continual basis and review communications programme annually. | Annually and on-going | AM/FM | Communications Programme reviewed in Jan 2014 |

| | | | | | | |
|---|---------------------------------------|-------------------|--|------------------------|-------|---|
| | | 17. Visual Impact | Review the number and composition of complaints to determine any trends. | Monthly | FM | Completed for monthly reports |
| | | | Extend litter picking to include inner boundary road as illegal dumping appears to have increased here | On-going from March | AM/FM | Completed and on-going |
| | | | Continue to hold regular meetings with local residents. | On-going | AM/FM | Completed |
| | | | Finish cells 9/10 and go into cells 11/12 where visual impact aspect can be minimised | End 2011 | FM | Waste filling has slowed due to planning intake. Entered Cell 12 during 2012. |
| | | | Continue with litter patrols and litter picking | Ongoing weekly | AM/FM | Completed and ongoing |
| 5 | Education and Environmental Awareness | Aspect 1-28 | Actively encourage site visits from interested parties i.e. local community groups, schools, clubs, etc. | On-going | AM | Students from DIT visited. |
| | | | Review relationships with neighbours and interested parties on a continual basis and review communication programme annually | Annually and on-going | AM/FM | On-going. Communications programme reviewed in 2014. |
| | | | Continue to provide sponsorship of interested local parties, clubs, etc. | Spring and Autumn 2011 | FM | Sponsorships were stopped in Aug 2012 due to the Receivership process. |
| | | | Keep Public Information Room updated and current. | On-going | AM | Completed and on-going |
| | | | Update as part of newsletter, progress on planning permission | Autumn 2011 | AM/FM | Not completed – planning application withdrawn in Sept 2011 |
| | | | Review Communications Program | August 2011 | FM | Completed |

| | | | | | | |
|---|-----------------------------|---|--|----------------------|-------|---|
| | | | Investigate possibility of establishing fruit and nut orchard in perimeter land as a natural habitat area and as an educational area for local schools and residents | End 2011 | AM/FM | Was planned as part of AD planning application – planning application withdrawn in Sept 2011 |
| 6 | Reduce energy usage on site | 11/16/23. Use of energy 2. Generation of GHG's | Implement an Energy Awareness Programme incorporating the recommendations from the 2010 energy audit. | Sept 2010 Ongoing | AM/FM | Switched energy supplier. Increased export of electricity for additional engines – reduced consumption. |
| | | | Look into changing all light bulbs to energy saving versions | June 2011 | AM | Completed |
| | | | Implement a review of energy consumed per area of the site | May 2011 | AM | Reviewed and determined unfeasible |
| | | | Fix water leak and regain cost lost as a direct result by issuing a leak rectifying report to Meath Co Co | June 2011 | AM/FM | Completed |
| | | | Put energy use and energy savings report into Autumn Newsletter | Autumn 2011 | AM | Not completed – newsletter on-hold |
| | | | Install new energy saving dishwasher | March 2011 | FM | Completed |

10.7. Review of Nuisance Controls

Greenstar Ltd is committed to operating the Knockharley facility in the best possible manner using the best available techniques to minimise impacts on the environment and local residential neighbours. Knockharley landfill welcomes communications from local residents and any interested parties and all reasonable and practical measures will be implemented to eliminate or minimise any issues or nuisances.

10.7.1. Odour

In addition to the landfill gas abstraction system, good operational practices on-site are the main controls to avoid odour nuisances. The handling, depositing and covering of waste at the facility is carried out in accordance with the Agency's Landfill Manual "Landfill Operational Practices". In addition Greenstar have developed a site specific Odour Management Plan (KNKP 033). The plan specifies the operational requirements for the waste placement, the landfill gas management infrastructure and addresses all aspects of odour control.

Any loads with a particular potential for generation of odours are rejected in accordance with the waste acceptance procedures, which are in operation at the facility as submitted to and agreed by the Agency in October 2010.

The waste delivery trucks are unloaded at the working face and the waste is compacted within 3 to 4 minutes. The level areas of the working face are covered on a continuous basis during the day. The slope of the working face is covered completely with artificial cover sheets at the end of each working day, which can easily be removed again the following day prior to commencement of operations.

An odour neutralizing misting spray is installed along several sections of the litter fencing to mitigate potential waste odours. A mobile misting unit and contact neutralizer are also available on site and are used as necessary.

10.7.2. Vermin Control

The methods used for vermin control are as detailed in Nuisance Inspection Procedure (KNKP 32). A specialist contractor is employed by Greenstar to carry out a vermin control programme. Measures used include internal and external bait boxes, rodenticides and insect control measures. The specialist contractor visits the site at regular intervals throughout the year to inspect the control measures and assess their effectiveness. These control measures have found to be successful.

Fly monitoring, which is undertaken throughout the summer months using a Scudder grid and fly counting technique revealed low fly numbers.

10.7.3. Birds

Greenstar operate a dawn to dusk programme for bird control, utilising in-house staff. The main aim of the programme is to create an association of danger, so that birds choose not to fly around the area where bird control is active. This association is achieved using a variety of methods such as visual and audible deterrents in compliance with the licence. To date these measures have proven to be successful.

10.7.4. Dust

Dust and mud control measures were implemented at the start of the construction phase of the site and continued into the operational phase. These measures include the use of a wheelwash, road sweeper and the use of a water bowser to dampen access roads and stockpiles during periods of dry weather. To date these measures have proven to be successful.

10.7.5. Litter Control

Litter is controlled by fencing which was installed around the landfill footprint as specified in the waste licence. Portable litter fencing is also used at the working face, which can be moved to various points around the working face depending on the wind direction. As part of operational controls all litter is collected at the end of the working day and litter has not been an issue at the facility.

10.8. Reported Incidents and Complaints Summary

There were eight reported incidents on-site during the reporting period. A summary table of the incidents is presented in Table 10.3.

Table 10.3: Summary of Incidents

| Date | Summary of Incident |
|------------|--|
| 30/11/2012 | Exceedance of Potassium GWTL at MW1d on 12/11/12 |
| 11/02/2013 | Cell 3 leachate level reached 1.04m over the weekend (Sunday 10th February) |
| 11/04/2013 | Exceedance of surface emissions VOC trigger level, as per Condition 6.10.5 of W0146-02. Sixteen zones of surface emissions were identified |
| 10/10/2013 | Potassium above GWTL at MW1D and MW3D |
| 22/10/2013 | Methane trigger level reached at LG3 (2.6%) |
| 28/12/2013 | Relates to leachate Lagoon Freeboard. |
| 18/01/2014 | Relates to cell 5 above meter mark |
| 30/11/2012 | Exceedance of Potassium GWTL at MW1d on 12/11/12 |

Greenstar maintains a register of complaints in compliance with Condition 10.4. Details of all complaints received during the reporting period and the action taken by Greenstar are available at the facility.

Summary data showing the composition of the complaints presented in Table 10.4 and Figure 10.1.

Table 10.4: Summary of Complaints

| Month | Odour | Other | Total |
|-----------|-------|-------|-------|
| January | 8 | | 8 |
| February | 6 | | 6 |
| March | 1 | | 1 |
| April | 2 | | 2 |
| May | 2 | | 2 |
| June | 0 | | 0 |
| July | 3 | | 3 |
| August | 1 | | 1 |
| September | 0 | | 0 |

| Month | Odour | Other | Total |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|
| October | 3 | | 3 |
| November | 7 | | 7 |
| December | 1 | | 1 |

As observed from the date in Table 10.3 odour complaints dominate the register during the reporting period.

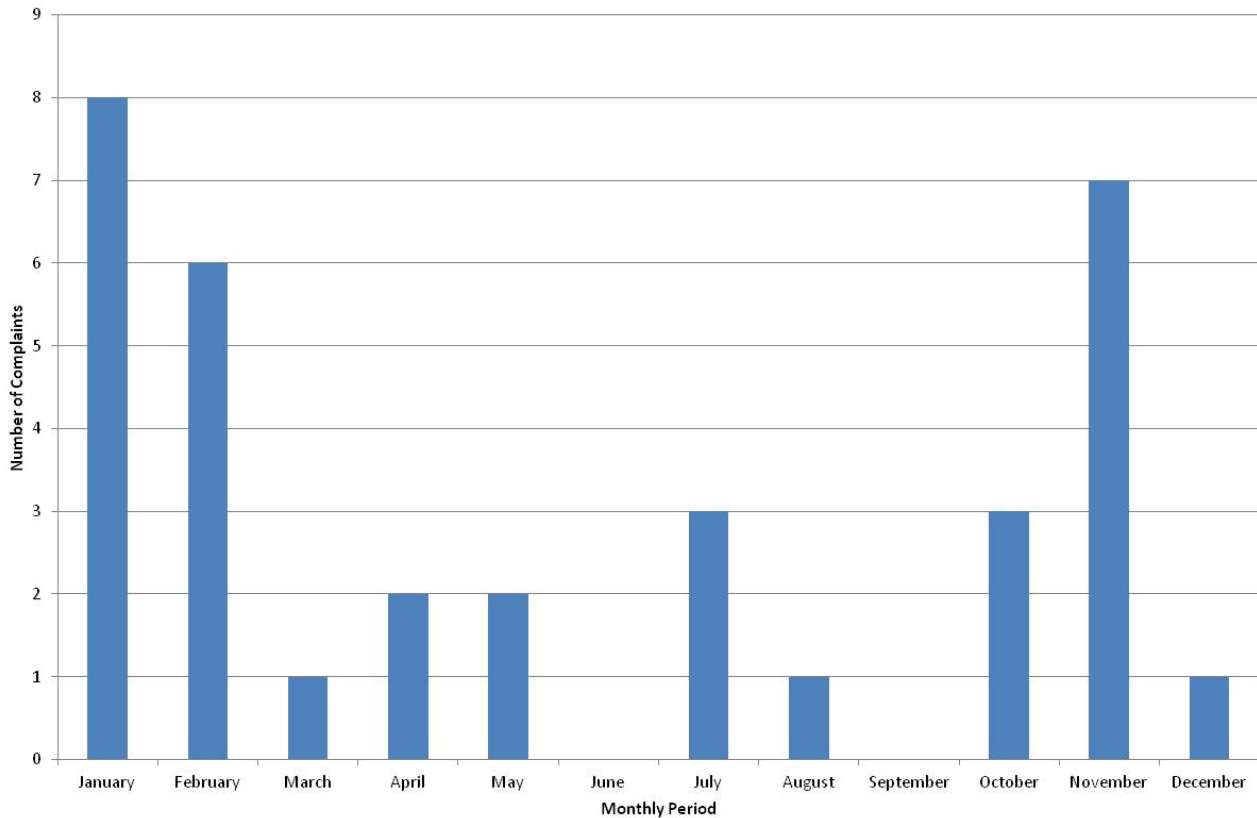


Figure 10.1: Total number of complaints to the site during the reporting period

10.9. Site Testing and Inspection Reports

As per Schedule E and Condition 3.11.6 of the waste licence, the integrity of the bunds and tanks are carried out every three years. This integrity testing was carried out in July 2011.

10.10. European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register

Under the European Pollutant Release and Transfer Register Regulation (EC) No. 166/2006 Greenstar are required to submit information annually to the Agency. The information is submitted separately to the Agency via the web-based data reporting system and included in Appendix IV.

10.11. Statement of Measures for prevention of environmental damage and financial provisions/ELRA

The licensee will submit a Section 53A statement to the Agency as requested and required under Section 53A of the Waste Management Act 1996 (as amended). This statement will be submitted to the Agency in May 2013.

Condition 12.3 of the waste licence states, *'In accordance with the provisions of Section 53A of the Waste Management Acts 1996 to 2010, the licensee shall ensure the costs involved in the setting up and operation of the facility, as well as the costs of closure and after-care (including cost of provision of financial security) for a period of at least 30 years (post closure) shall be covered by the price to be charged for the disposal of waste at the facility'.*

In relation to this matter Greenstar can confirm that the gate fee for the disposal of waste at the Knockharley Landfill is appropriate in the current market and includes financial provision for the closure, restoration and aftercare of the site.

10.12. Public Information Programme

Knockharley Landfill pursues an active programme of disseminating information on its operations to interested parties. This is undertaken through a variety of means including site tours, the company website, presentations and open days.

The Communications Programme required by Condition 2.4.1 of the waste licence, was established three months before the start of waste activities and has been submitted to the Agency. This document is reviewed and updated at regular intervals.

A dedicated public information room is maintained at the facility and an open door policy is encouraged.

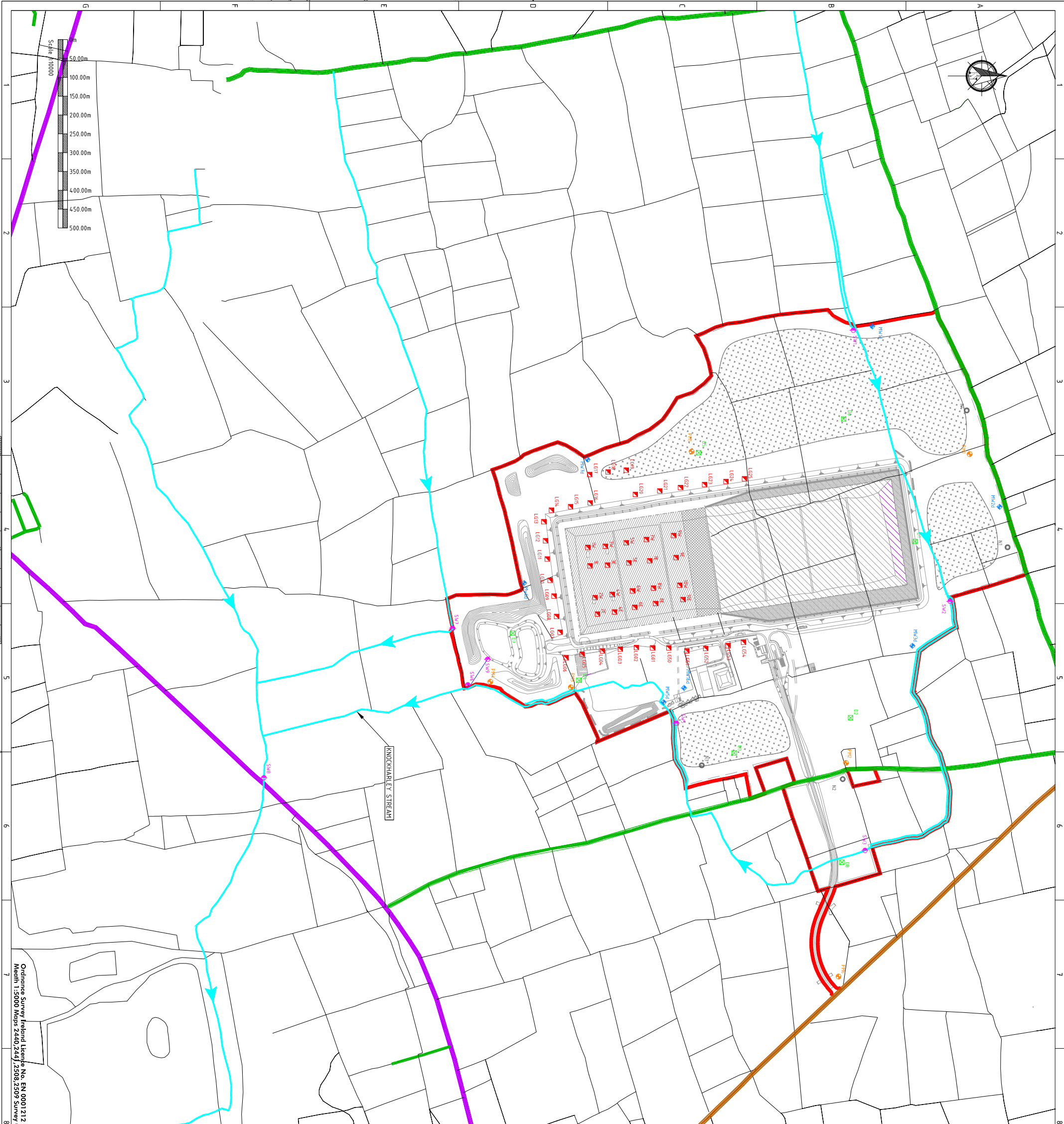
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ENVIRONMENTAL BALANCE IN DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION





| ID | Eastings | Northings |
|---------------|----------|-----------|
| D1 | 297272 | 267256 |
| D2 | 297174 | 267560 |
| D3 | 297831 | 267285 |
| D4 | 297632 | 266886 |
| D5 | 297030 | 267194 |
| D6 | 296964 | 267575 |
| D7 | 297516 | 266690 |
| D8 | 298124 | 267563 |
| GROUNDWATER | | |
| HW1D | 296706 | 267640 |
| HW2D | 297176 | 267992 |
| HW3D | 297558 | 267161 |
| HW4D | 297101 | 267094 |
| HW5D | 297302 | 266922 |
| HW6D | 297096 | 266890 |
| HW7D | 297096 | 267143 |
| NOISE | | |
| N1 | 297290 | 267999 |
| N2 | 297901 | 267565 |
| N3 | 297858 | 267202 |
| N4 | 296921 | 267882 |
| SURFACE WATER | | |
| SW1 | 296706 | 267600 |
| SW2 | 297464 | 267862 |
| SW3 | 298087 | 267634 |
| SW4 | 297164 | 267116 |
| SW5 | 297663 | 266562 |
| SW6 | 297510 | 266525 |
| SW7 | 297510 | 266029 |
| SW8 | 297916 | 266029 |
| SW9 | 297585 | 266623 |
| PW10 | | |
| PW1 | 297030 | 267909 |
| PW2 | 297833 | 267491 |
| PW3 | 297656 | 266826 |
| PW4 | 297036 | 266920 |
| PW5 | 297036 | 267176 |
| PW6 | 298454 | 267376 |
| LANDFILL GAS | | |
| L01 | 297560 | 267060 |
| L02 | 297559 | 267060 |
| L03 | 297560 | 266982 |
| L04 | 297571 | 266936 |
| L05 | 297574 | 266875 |
| L06 | 297584 | 266837 |
| L07 | 297513 | 266814 |
| L08 | 297482 | 266815 |
| L09 | 297426 | 266804 |
| L10 | 297372 | 266795 |
| L11 | 297326 | 266784 |
| L12 | 297275 | 266786 |
| L13 | 297226 | 266775 |
| L14 | 297194 | 266759 |
| L15 | 297182 | 266846 |
| L16 | 297111 | 266804 |
| L17 | 297111 | 266804 |
| L18 | 297093 | 266827 |
| L19 | 297093 | 266893 |
| L20 | 297148 | 267015 |
| L21 | 297138 | 267080 |
| L22 | 297130 | 267135 |
| L23 | 297121 | 267200 |
| L24 | 297114 | 267255 |
| L25 | 297107 | 267305 |
| L26 | 297055 | 267104 |
| L27 | 297053 | 267152 |
| L28 | 297052 | 267202 |
| L29 | 297054 | 267261 |
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| L39 | 297330 | 266999 |
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| L41 | 297404 | 267013 |
| L42 | 297468 | 267045 |
| L43 | 297268 | 267053 |
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| L45 | 297396 | 267063 |
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| L47 | 297257 | 267117 |
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- Denotes Groundwater Monitoring Location
 - Denotes Surfacewater Monitoring Location
 - Denotes Noise Monitoring Location
 - Denotes Dust Monitoring Location
 - Denotes PW10 Monitoring Location
 - Denotes Landfill Gas Monitoring Location
 - National Primary Route
 - National Regional Route
 - National County Route
 - Existing Water Course (Arrow showing flow direction)
 - Site Boundary
 - Existing Forestry stands (immature)

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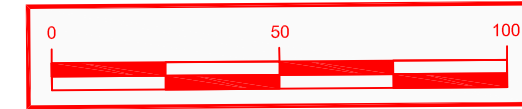
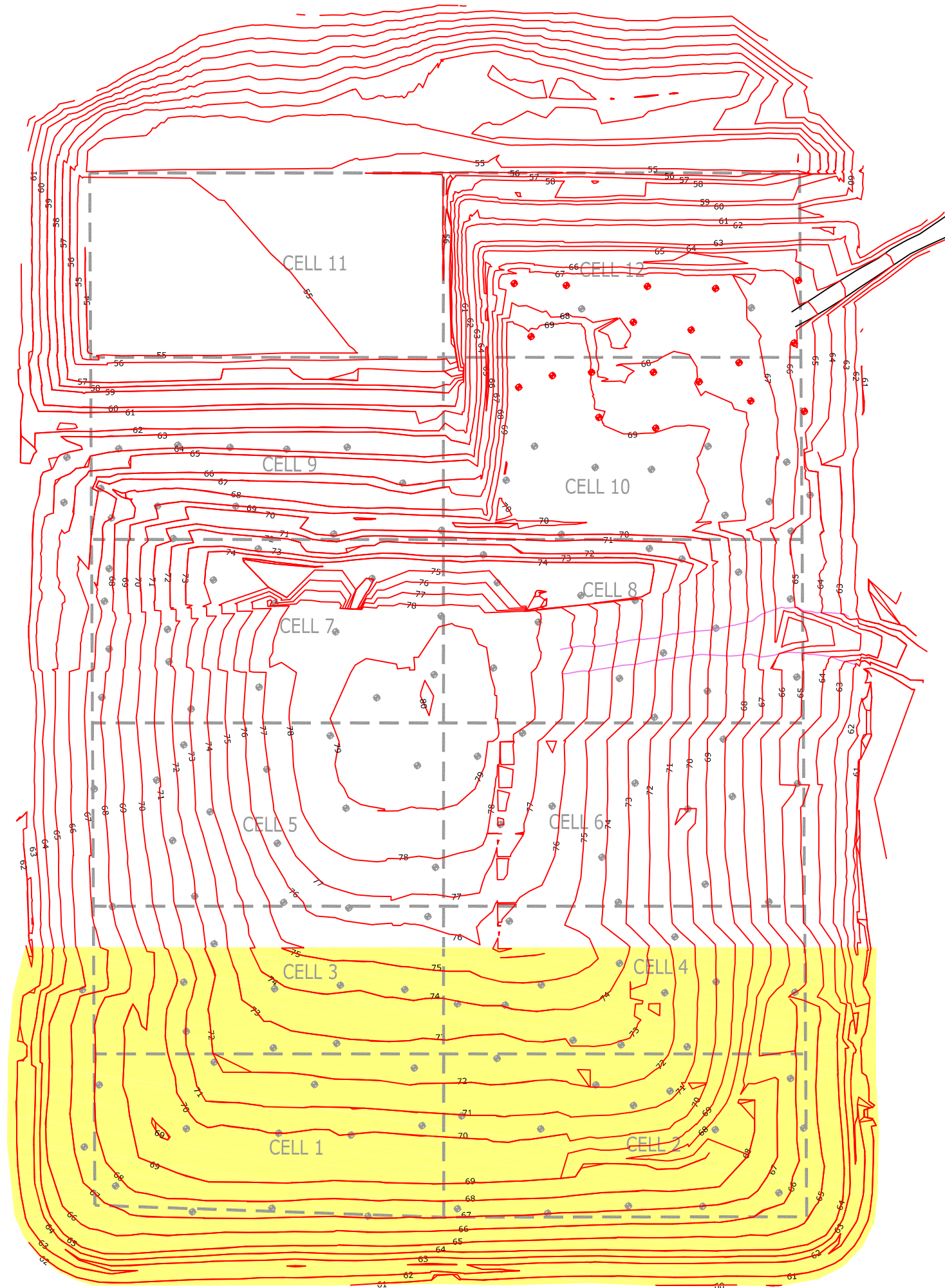
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Appendix II

Topographical Survey



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| LEGEND | |
|--------|----------------------------------|
| | TOPO CONTOUR (SURVEYED 27/01/14) |
| | EXISTING GAS WELL |
| | EXISTING CAPPED AREA |

LANDFILL VOID CONSUMED DURING THE PERIOD OF 19th APRIL 2013 AND 27th JANUARY 2014
= 7,120 m³

TOTAL LANDFILL VOID SPACE CONSUMED UP TO 27th JANUARY 2014 = 1,394,920 m³

TOTAL AIR SPACE AVAILABLE FROM 27th JAN 2014 = 210,500m³
(BASED ON MODEL OF FILLING OUT TO EDGE OF CELLS 11 & 12)
(NOTE: 9,000m³ VOID SPACE AVAILABLE IN CELL 12)

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Appendix III

Leachate Integrity and Slope Stability Assessment



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KNOCKHARLEY LANDFILL

LEACHATE INFRASTRUCTURE INSPECTION AND CERTIFICATION AND SLOPE STABILITY REPORT

**AS PER CONDITION 3.14.5 WASTE LICENCE W0146 –
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1. BACKGROUND

Condition 3.14.5 of the Waste Licence W0146–02 requires that:

“All leachate management structures on-site shall be inspected and certified fit for purpose on an annual basis by an independent and appropriately qualified chartered engineer. Any remedial works recommended in this report must be implemented immediately.”

In addition, Condition 8.13 of the licence requires that:

“Within one year of the date of commencement of waste activities and annually thereafter, the licensee shall carry out a stability assessment of the side slopes of the facility”.

With regard to Condition 3.14.5, the following structures were inspected on the 15th of January 2014:

- leachate lagoon
- truck wash
- condensate pipe-work
- visible pipe-work between headwalls and valve chambers
- valve chambers

As the pumped rising leachate recirculation main is not in use, an inspection of the pump chambers was not required. Observations and recommendations with respect to leachate containment infrastructure are given in Sections 2, 3 and 4 of this report.

With regard to the stability assessment of the slopes, the main external embankments of the landfill were inspected as were:

- the final-caped area
- the intermediate-capped area
- the internal slopes of cells 11 & 12
- the northern slope of cells 9 & 10

Observations and recommendations with respect to slope stability are presented in Section 5 of this report.

2. LEACHATE LAGOON INSPECTION

The inspection of the leachate lagoon involved a visual inspection of the extraction pipe and headwall, the concrete apron and drainage channels and the control box slab. A visual inspection around the perimeter fencing was also conducted. The purpose of the inspection was to look for any deterioration of the concrete structures such as spalling or cracking, tears in the lagoon cover or damage to manholes, drainage channels or fencing.

2.1. Extraction Pipe and Headwall

No damage or concrete deterioration was observed at the extraction pipe and headwall. There was evidence of ivy growth around the headwall.

Figure 2.1: Extraction Pipe Headwall



Figure 2.2: Extraction Pipe headwall; ivy growth



Figure 2.3: Extraction Pipe at lagoon cover



2.2. Concrete Apron and Control Box Slab

No damage or concrete deterioration was observed at the concrete apron and control box slab or its drainage channels and manholes.

Figure 2.4: Drainage Channel



Figure 2.5: Tanker parking slab & Control box compound



Figure 2.6: Control box slab



2.3. Lagoon Cover

No damage or tears were observed to the Lagoon Cover. Vegetation growth on the cover may be seen as a threat to its integrity.

Figure 2.7: Leachate Lagoon Cover (looking Southwest)



Figure 2.8: Leachate Lagoon Cover (looking West); Vegetation Growth



Figure 2.9: Leachate Lagoon Cover (looking South)



2.4. Perimeter Fencing

No damage was observed at the perimeter fencing or access gates to the leachate lagoon.

Figure 2.10: Access Gate to Leachate Lagoon



Figure 2.11: Access gate to control slab



Figure 2.12: Perimeter Fencing with Warning Sign



3. VALVE CHAMBERS INSPECTION

The inspection of the valve chambers involved a visual inspection of the chamber cover, headwall and pipes and ducts. Each chamber was opened and inspected internally.

The purpose of the inspection was to look for any deterioration of the concrete structures such as spalling or cracking, damage to valves, chamber covers or ducts. The six chamber inspected were located at Cells 1/3, Cells 2/4, Cells 5/7, Cells 6/8, Cells 9/11 and Cells 10/12.

3.1. Chamber at Cells 1 and 3

No damage or concrete deterioration was observed at the chamber at Cells 1 and 3. Vegetation growth is evident but does not compromise integrity. Regular removal is recommended.



Photograph 1: Headwall at cells 1 & 3



Photograph 2: Pipework in Chamber 1 & 3



Photograph 3: Pipework in Chamber 1 & 3

3.2. Chamber at Cells 2 and 4

Some concrete damage (at construction stage) was observed around the duct pipes at the chamber at Cells 2 and 4. This does not compromise the integrity of the leachate system. A monthly photographic record of the concrete damage was taken in 2011, which indicated that no deterioration occurred during the period. Vegetation Growth in the vicinity of the headwall does not compromise the integrity of the leachate containment system but its removal is recommended. There are no visible leaks from any of the pipework.



Photograph 4: Headwall at cells 2 & 4



Photograph 5: Concrete damage (construction stage finish)



Photograph 6: Concrete damage (construction stage finish)



Photograph 7: Pipework for Cells 2 & 4

3.3. Chamber at Cells 5 and 7

No damage or concrete deterioration was observed at the chamber at Cells 5 and 7. There are no visible leaks from any of the pipework.



Photograph 8: Headwall at Cells 5 & 7



Photograph 9: Pipework at Cells 5 & 7



Photograph 10: Pipework at Cells 5 & 7

3.4. Chamber at Cells 6 and 8

No concrete deterioration was observed at the chamber at Cells 6 and 8. There are no visible leaks from any of the pipework. Undermining of the headwall foundations to the rear is evident. This is as a result of capping works and will be rectified with the placement of cover soil on top of the bare liner during Spring 2014.



Photograph 11: Headwall at Cells 6 & 8



Photograph 12: Pipework for Cells 6 & 8



Photograph 13: Pipework for Cell 8



Photograph 14: Undermining to rear of headwall

3.5. Chamber at Cells 9 and 11

No damage or concrete deterioration was observed at the chamber at Cells 9 and 11. There are no visible leaks from any of the pipework. It is noted that as cells 11 and 12 contain no waste, discharge from the pump in Cell 11 is directed to the swale (discharge pipe is green in colour in the photograph).



Photograph 15: Headwall at Cells 9 & 11



Photograph 16: Pipework at Cell 9 & 11

3.6. Chamber at Cells 10 and 12

No concrete deterioration was observed at the chamber at Cells 10 and 12. It is noted that as cells 11 and 12 contain no waste, discharge from the pump in Cell 12 is directed to the swale.



Photograph 17: Headwall at 10 & 12



Photograph 18: Pipework at Cell 10

3.7. Wheel wash

The contents of the wheel wash are managed as leachate. Trucks drive through a water bath before exiting the site. There was no evidence of cracking or other deterioration of the concrete that would give rise to concerns regarding containment of the wheel wash water.



Photograph 19: View of wheelwash, looking North

3.8. Condensate

Small-diameter condensate pipes convey condensate from the landfill gas system to the leachate system. All visible pipes were inspected and no leaks were found.



Photograph 20: Insulated condensate pipework



Photograph 21: Insulated condensate pipework

4. RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING LEACHATE CONTAINMENT

It is recommended that:-

- Vegetation and other detritus be cleared from the vicinity of head walls and chambers.
- All chamber covers be closed and secured.
- All valves within the chambers and on the headwalls be operated at least every quarter to ensure operability.
- Capping works completed to rear of headwall of cells 6 and 8 as soon as possible.

5. SLOPE STABILITY

An inspection of the slopes listed in Section 1 was undertaken on January 14th 2014. Apart from a general inspection of the observed slopes, evidence of failure such as tension cracks were looked for. In general terms, there was no apparent cause for concern.

5.1. External embankments

The external embankments comprise boulder clay that was placed in layers and rolled as per the original specification. The external slope is 1:3 (or flatter) which is as per the original design and well below a slope that would give rise to concern.

5.2. Final Capped Area

The entirety of Cells 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7 and 8 are capped with a combination of geo-textile, LLDPE barrier, drainage geocomposite, subsoil and topsoil. The cap is at a slope of 1:5, well within normal good practice and within its design parameters. There is no evidence of slippage or other deterioration.



Photograph 22: Final Capped Area



Photograph 23: Final Capped Area Awaiting Soils

5.3. Intermediate-capped area

Parts of Cells 9, 10 and 12 are capped with intermediate cover material. The intermediate capping comprises clays and other soil-like material. It is at a slope of between 1:5 and 1:50 (with some flat areas) and gives no cause for concern.

5.4. Internal Slopes of Cells 11 & 12

These slopes were designed and constructed at a gradient of 1:3. Examination of the record drawings confirms that the design slope was not exceeded and thus gives no cause for concern.

5.5. Northern Slopes of Cells 9 & 10

This is an 'operational' slope, constructed as waste is placed and (theoretically) an area that would give rise to concern. In this instance, Greenstar has constructed this slope as a terraced embankment in a manner that can only be described as exemplar. The terracing performs a number of positive functions including safe access to personnel undertaking litter patrols. There is no exposed waste as a layer of black polythene is used to seal the slope and thus contain leachate and gas.



Photograph 24: Northern slope of Cell 9

5.6. Northern and Western Slopes of Cell 12

This is an 'operational' slope, constructed as waste is placed and (theoretically) an area that would give rise to concern. In this instance, Greenstar has constructed this slope as a terraced embankment in a manner that can only be described as exemplar. The terracing performs a number of positive functions including safe access to personnel undertaking litter patrols. There is no exposed waste as a layer of green geo-hesh is used to seal the slope and thus contain leachate and gas.



Photograph 25: Northern slope of Cell 12

5.7. Retaining Structures

Thirteen reinforced concrete retaining structures retain the landfill and its cap where gas and leachate pipework exit the waste mass. All are in good condition with no evidence of distress.



Photograph 26: Retaining Structures at Cell 1 & 2

6. RECOMMENDATIONS REGARDING SLOPE STABILITY

Current practice should continue with due regard to the site's design parameters. As heretofore, contract quality assurance procedures should be applied to future construction phases.

7. SIGN OFF

This report was checked and approved by Mr. Declan O'Sullivan, Chartered Engineer.

Signed:



Date:

14-01-14

Appendix IV

PRTR



ENVIRONMENTAL BALANCE IN DESIGN AND CONSTRUCTION



Environmental Protection Agency

| PRTR# : W0146 | Facility Name : Knockharley Landfill | Filename : w0146_2013.xls | Return Year : 2013 |

Guidance to completing the PRTR workbook

AER Returns Workbook

Version 1.1.18

| | |
|-----------------------|------|
| REFERENCE YEAR | 2013 |
|-----------------------|------|

1. FACILITY IDENTIFICATION

| | |
|----------------------------|----------------------------|
| Parent Company Name | Greenstar Holdings Limited |
| Facility Name | Knockharley Landfill |
| PRTR Identification Number | W0146 |
| Licence Number | W0146-02 |

Waste or IPPC Classes of Activity

| No. | class_name |
|--|---|
| 3.5 | Specially engineered landfill, including placement into lined discrete cells which are capped and isolated from one another and the environment. |
| 3.1 | Deposit on, in or under land (including landfill). |
| 3.13 | Storage prior to submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where the waste concerned is produced. |
| 3.4 | Surface impoundment, including placement of liquid or sludge discards into pits, ponds or lagoons. |
| 3.6 | Biological treatment not referred to elsewhere in this Schedule which results in final compounds or mixtures which are disposed of by means of any activity referred to in paragraphs 1. to 10. of this Schedule. |
| 4.11 | Use of waste obtained from any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule. |
| 4.13 | Storage of waste intended for submission to any activity referred to in a preceding paragraph of this Schedule, other than temporary storage, pending collection, on the premises where such waste is produced. |
| 4.4 | Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials. |
| 4.9 | Use of any waste principally as a fuel or other means to generate energy. |
| Address 1 | Knockharley |
| Address 2 | Navan |
| Address 3 | (Includes Townlands of Tuitearath & Flemingstown) |
| Address 4 | Co. Meath |
| | Meath |
| Country | Ireland |
| Coordinates of Location | -6.57373 52.3511 |
| River Basin District | IEEA |
| NACE Code | 3821 |
| Main Economic Activity | Treatment and disposal of non-hazardous waste |
| AER Returns Contact Name | Thomas Finnegan |
| AER Returns Contact Email Address | tom.finnegan@landfills.ie |
| AER Returns Contact Position | Assistant Landfill Manager, Knockharley Landfill |
| AER Returns Contact Telephone Number | 041-982 1650 |
| AER Returns Contact Mobile Phone Number | 086-8076237 |
| AER Returns Contact Fax Number | 041-982 1750 |
| Production Volume | 0.0 |
| Production Volume Units | |

| | |
|--|---|
| Number of Installations | 0 |
| Number of Operating Hours in Year | 0 |
| Number of Employees | 7 |
| User Feedback/Comments | |
| Web Address | |

2. PRTR CLASS ACTIVITIES

| Activity Number | Activity Name |
|------------------------|---|
| 5(d) | Landfills |
| 5(c) | Installations for the disposal of non-hazardous waste |
| 5(d) | Landfills |
| 50.1 | General |

3. SOLVENTS REGULATIONS (S.I. No. 543 of 2002)

| | |
|---|--|
| Is it applicable? | |
| Have you been granted an exemption ? | |
| If applicable which activity class applies (as per Schedule 2 of the regulations) ? | |
| Is the reduction scheme compliance route being used ? | |

4. WASTE IMPORTED/ACCEPTED ONTO SITE

[Guidance on waste imported/accepted onto site](#)

| | |
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| Do you import/accept waste onto your site for on-site treatment (either recovery or disposal activities) ? | |
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4.1 RELEASES TO AIR [Link to previous years emissions data](#)

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SECTION A : SECTOR SPECIFIC PRTR POLLUTANTS

| RELEASES TO AIR | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | | | | | QUANTITY | | |
|-----------------|---------------------------|-------|--|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| No. Annex II | POLLUTANT Name | M/C/E | METHOD Method Used Designation or Description | Engine 1 | Engine 2 | Engine 3 | Engine 4 | Flare 1 | Flare 2 | Flare 3 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| | | | | Emission Point 1 | Emission Point 2 | Emission Point 3 | Emission Point 4 | Emission Point 5 | Emission Point 6 | Emission Point 7 | | | |
| 02 | Carbon monoxide (CO) | C | OTH Flue gas analyser, Testo 350/454 MXL Impinger train containing 0.10 molar sodium hydroxide and deionised water solution in accordance EN1911, EPA 26A and EN15713:2006 | 0.0 | 15762.0 | 14259.6 | 23416.56 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 4.16 | 53442.32 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 11 | Sulphur oxides (SOx/SO2) | C | ALT Flue gas analyser, Testo 350/454 MXL | 0.0 | 11842.8 | 10342.8 | 16383.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 301.6 | 38870.8 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 08 | Nitrogen oxides (NOx/NO2) | C | OTH Flue gas analyser, Testo 350/454 MXL | 0.0 | 7582.8 | 6915.6 | 12147.84 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 72.8 | 26719.04 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 01 | Methane (CH4) | C | OTH See calculation below | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 769943.0 | 0.0 | 769943.0 |

* Select a row by double-clicking on the Pollutant Name (Column B) then click the delete button

SECTION B : REMAINING PRTR POLLUTANTS

| RELEASES TO AIR | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | | | | | QUANTITY | | |
|-----------------|---|-------|---|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| No. Annex II | POLLUTANT Name | M/C/E | METHOD Method Used Designation or Description | Engine 1 | Engine 2 | Engine 3 | Engine 4 | Flare 1 | Flare 2 | Flare 3 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| | | | | Emission Point 1 | Emission Point 2 | Emission Point 3 | Emission Point 4 | Emission Point 5 | Emission Point 6 | Emission Point 7 | | | |
| 80 | Chlorine and inorganic compounds (as HCl) | C | EN 1911-1 to 3:2003 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 9.79 | 19.98 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.83 | 30.6 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 84 | Fluorine and inorganic compounds (as HF) | C | ISO/DIS 15713:2004 | 0.0 | 9.37 | 21.42 | 24.78 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.1 | 55.67 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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SECTION C : REMAINING POLLUTANT EMISSIONS (As required in your Licence)

| RELEASES TO AIR | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | | | | | QUANTITY | | |
|-----------------|--------------------|-------|--|--|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| Pollutant No. | POLLUTANT Name | M/C/E | METHOD Method Used Designation or Description | Engine 1 | Engine 2 | Engine 3 | Engine 4 | Flare 1 | Flare 2 | Flare 3 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| | | | | Emission Point 1 | Emission Point 2 | Emission Point 3 | Emission Point 4 | Emission Point 5 | Emission Point 6 | Emission Point 7 | | | |
| 244 | Total Particulates | C | OTH TCR tekora isokinetic particulate sampler with QMA (Quartz) high temperature filters in accordance with EN13284-1:2002 | 0.0 | 255.6 | 122.4 | 159.84 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 537.84 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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Additional Data Requested from Landfill operators

For the purposes of the National Inventory on Greenhouse Gases, landfill operators are requested to provide summary data on landfill gas (Methane) flared or utilised on their facilities to accompany the figures for total methane generated. Operators should only report their Net methane (CH4) emission to the environment under T(total) KG/yr for Section A: Sector specific PRTR pollutants above. Please complete the table below:

| Landfill: Please enter summary data on the quantities of methane flared and / or utilised | T (Total) kg/Year | M/C/E | Method Used | | Facility Total Capacity m3 per hour |
|--|-------------------|-------|---------------------|----------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | | | Method Code | Designation or Description | |
| Total estimated methane generation (as per site model) | 6532157.0 | C | GasSim Model | OTH | N/A |
| Methane flared | 33577.0 | M | Measured at Flares | OTH | 0.0 (Total Flaring Capacity) |
| Methane utilised in engine/s | 5728637.0 | M | Measured at Engines | OTH | 0.0 (Total Utilising Capacity) |
| Net methane emission (as reported in Section A above) | 769943.0 | C | Calculated | OTH | N/A |

4.2 RELEASES TO WATERS

[Link to previous years emissions data](#)

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SECTION A : SECTOR SPECIFIC PRTR POLLUTANTS

Data on ambient monitoring of storm/surface water or groundwater, conducted as part of your licence requirements, should NOT be submitted under AER / PRTR Reporting as this only concern

| RELEASES TO WATERS | | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | | |
|--------------------|------------------------------|-------------|-------------|---|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| POLLUTANT | | Method Used | | | QUANTITY | | | | |
| No. Annex II | Name | M/C/E | Method Code | Designation or Description | SW9 Emission Point 1 | Emission Point 2 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| 79 | Chlorides (as Cl) | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 2971.37 | 0.0 | 2971.37 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 13 | Total phosphorus | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 6.19 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 20 | Copper and compounds (as Cu) | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 160.95 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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SECTION B : REMAINING PRTR POLLUTANTS

| RELEASES TO WATERS | | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | |
|--------------------|------|-------------|-------------|----------------------------|--|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| POLLUTANT | | Method Used | | | QUANTITY | | | |
| No. Annex II | Name | M/C/E | Method Code | Designation or Description | SW9 Emission Point 1 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| | | | | | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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SECTION C : REMAINING POLLUTANT EMISSIONS (as required in your Licence)

| RELEASES TO WATERS | | | | | Please enter all quantities in this section in KGs | | | | |
|--------------------|-----------|-------------|-------------|---|--|------------------|-------------------|------------------------|----------------------|
| POLLUTANT | | Method Used | | | QUANTITY | | | | |
| Pollutant No. | Name | M/C/E | Method Code | Designation or Description | SW9 Emission Point 1 | Emission Point 2 | T (Total) KG/Year | A (Accidental) KG/Year | F (Fugitive) KG/Year |
| 303 | BOD | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 619.04 | 0.0 | 619.04 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 305 | Calcium | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 13247.35 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 306 | COD | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 2590.4 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 320 | Magnesium | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 2104.72 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 338 | Potassium | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 123.81 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 341 | Sodium | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 2352.33 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 343 | Sulphate | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 27361.5 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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|-----|-------------------------------|---|-----|---|--------|-----|-----|-----|-----|
| 379 | Total Oxidised Nitrogen (TON) | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 21.05 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |
| 240 | Suspended Solids | C | OTH | annual lab result and discharge volume per annum used to calculate emission | 371.42 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 | 0.0 |

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5. ONSITE TREATMENT & OFFSITE TRANSFERS OF WASTE

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| Transfer Destination | European Waste Code | Hazardous | Quantity (Tonnes per Year) | Description of Waste | Waste Treatment Operation | Method Used | | Location of Treatment | Haz Waste : Name and Licence/Permit No of Next Destination Facility | Haz Waste : Address of Next Destination Facility | Name and License / Permit No. and Address of Final Recoverer / Disposer (HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY) | Actual Address of Final Destination i.e. Final Recovery / Disposal Site (HAZARDOUS WASTE ONLY) |
|----------------------|---------------------|-----------|----------------------------|--|---------------------------|-------------|-------------|-----------------------|---|--|--|--|
| | | | | | | M/C/E | Method Used | | Haz Waste : Name and Licence/Permit No of Recover/Disposer | Non Haz Waste: Address of Recover/Disposer | | |
| Within the Country | 19 07 03 | No | 6963.8 in 19 07 02 | landfill leachate other than those mentioned | D9 | M | Weighed | Offsite in Ireland | Navan Waste Water Treatment Plant,, Navan, County Meath, Ireland | Navan Waste Water Treatment Plant,, Navan, County Meath, Ireland | | |
| Within the Country | 19 07 03 | No | 3442.14 in 19 07 02 | landfill leachate other than those mentioned | D9 | M | Weighed | Offsite in Ireland | Riita,, | Greenogue Business Park, Rathcoole, Dublin, Ireland | | |
| Within the Country | 19 07 03 | No | 15412.24 in 19 07 02 | landfill leachate other than those mentioned | D9 | M | Weighed | Offsite in Ireland | EPS Ltd. WWTP,, | Louth,, Ireland | | |
| Within the Country | 19 01 02 | No | 34,32 | ferrous materials removed from bottom ash | R4 | M | Weighed | Offsite in Ireland | The Hammond Lane Metal Company Ltd, WFP-DC-0013-01 | Pigeon House Road, Ringsend, Dublin 4,, Ireland | | |

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