

Annual Environmental Report 2017

Agglomeration Name:	Ballinode
Licence Register No.	D0435-01



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Section 1. Executive Summary and Introduction to the 2017 AER

1.1 Summary Report on 2017

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for **D0435-01, Ballinode**, in County **Monaghan**, in accordance with the requirements of the wastewater discharge licence for the agglomeration.

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant with a Plant Capacity PE of 1000. The treatment process includes the following:-

- Preliminary Treatment (Screening)
- Primary Treatment (Primary Settlement)
- Secondary Treatment (RBC and percolating filter)
- Nutrient Removal (Chemical Dosing for Phosphorus Removal)

The final effluent from the Primary Discharge Point was compliant with the Emission Limit Values in 2017.

342,000kgs total weight liquid sludge was removed from the wastewater treatment plant in 2017.

Sludge was transferred to Monaghan WWTP (Licence No. D0061)

No major capital works or major changes were undertaken in 2017.

An Annual Statement of Measures is included in **Appendix 7.1**

Section 2. Monitoring Reports Summary

2.1 Summary report on monthly influent monitoring

Table 2.1 Influent Monitoring Summary

2.1.1 Monthly Influent Monitoring	BOD (mg / l)	COD (mg / l)	SS (mg / l)	TP (mg / l)	TN (mg / l)	Hydraulic Loading (m3/d)
Number of Samples	6	6	6	6	6	
Annual Max.	929	2440	1048	15.4	117.3	792
Annual Mean	288.83	903.67	342.41	8.41	64.44	137.45

Other inputs in the form of sludge/leachate are added to the WWTP after the influent monitoring point and are therefore not represented by influent monitoring. Other inputs, where relevant, are detailed in Section 3.6.

Significance of results

The annual mean hydraulic loading is less than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity as detailed further in Section 3.2

The annual maximum hydraulic loading is greater than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity as detailed further in Section 3.2. The design of the wastewater treatment plant allows for peak values and therefore the peak loads have not impacted on compliant with Emission Limit Values

The annual mean organic loading is less than the Treatment Plant Capacity as detailed further in Section 3.2.

The annual maximum organic loading is less than the Treatment Plant Capacity as detailed further in Section 3.2.

2.2 Discharges from the agglomeration

Table 2.2 - Effluent Monitoring

2.2.1 Effluent Monitoring Summary	BOD (mg/l)	COD (mg/l)	TSS (mg/l)	Ortho P / MRP (mg/l)	Ammonia N (mg/l)	pH (Range)
WWDL ELV (Schedule A) where applicable	20.00	125.00	35.00	2.00	3.00	6 to 9
ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included	40.00	250.00	87.50	2.40	3.60	No allowable exceedances
% Reduction (Schedule A)						
Number of sample results	6	6	6	6	6	6
Number of sample results above WWDL ELV	0	0	0	0	0	0
Number of sample results above ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation	0	0	0	0	0	0
Annual Mean (for parameters where a mean ELV applies)						
Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass	Pass

Significance of results

The WWTP was compliant with the ELV's set in the wastewater discharge licence.

2.3 Ambient Monitoring Summary

Table 2.3. Ambient Monitoring Report Summary Table

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	EPA Feature Coding Tool code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish
Upstream Monitoring Point	262979, 335758	RS03BO1200				
Downstream Monitoring Point	263809, 335772	RS03BO1280	No	No	No	No

Table 2.3.2 Ambient Impact Assessment Table

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Current WFD Status	cBOD	0-Phosphate (as P)	Ammonia (as N)
Upstream Monitoring Point	Good	1.95	0.03	0.07
Downstream Monitoring Point	Good	4.7	0.027	0.06
Downstream Monitoring Point #2				
Difference between Upstream and Downstream		2.75	-0.003	-0.01
Difference between Upstream and Downstream #2				
EQS		2.6	0.075	0.14
% of Eqs		105.77%	-4.00%	-7.14%
% of Eqs #2				

The results for the upstream and downstream monitoring and/or additional monitoring data sets from Irish Water are included in the Appendix.

Significance of results

- The WWTP was compliant with the ELV's set in the wastewater discharge licence as detailed in Section 2.2.
- The receiving waters meet the EQS required.
- The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant has an observable negative impact on the water quality.
- A deterioration in water quality has been identified however it is not known if it is or is not caused by the WWTP.

2.4 Pollutant Release and Transfer Register (PRTR) - report for previous year

A PRTR is not required as the PE is < 2000

Section 3. Operational Reports Summary

3.1 Treatment Efficiency Report

	cBOD (kg/yr)	COD (kg/yr)	SS (kg/yr)	Total P (kg/yr)	Total N (kg/yr)
Influent mass loading (kg/year)	11,526	36,063	13,664	336	2,572
Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	87	472	85	6	524
% Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)	99%	99%	99%	98%	80%

3.2 Treatment Capacity Report

Table 3.2 - Treatment Capacity Report Summary

Hydraulic Capacity – Design / As Constructed (dry weather flow) (m3/day)	226
Hydraulic Capacity – Design / As Constructed (peak flow) (m3/day)	681
Hydraulic Capacity – Current loading (m3/day)	137
Hydraulic Capacity – Remaining (m3/day)	544
Organic Capacity - Design / As Constructed (PE)	1,000
Organic Capacity - Collected Load (PE)	471
Organic Capacity – Remaining (PE)	529
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes / No)	No

3.3 Extent of Agglomeration Summary Report

In this section Irish Water is required to report on the amount of urban waste water generated within the agglomeration. It does not include any waste water collected and created in a private system and discharged to water under a Section 4 Licence issued under the Water Pollution Acts 1977 (as amended).

Table 3.3 - Extent of Agglomeration Summary Report

	% of P.E. load generated in the agglomeration	Estimated / Measured
Load generated in the agglomeration that is collected in the sewer network	100%	Estimated
Load collected in the agglomerations that enters treatment plant	Unknown	Estimated
Load collected in the sewer network but discharges without treatment (includes SWO, EO, and any discharges that are not treated)	Unknown	Estimated

Load generated in the agglomeration that is collected in the sewer network is the total load generated and collected in the municipal network within the boundary of the agglomeration.

Load collected in the agglomerations that enters treatment plant is that portion of the previous figure which enters the waste water treatment plant.

Load collected but discharged without treatment is that portion of the first figure which is discharged without treatment.

3.4 Complaints Summary

A summary of complaints of an environmental nature is included below.

Table 3.4 - Complaints Summary Table

Number of Complaints	Nature of Complaint	Number Open Complaints	Number Closed Complaints
3	Investigation Sewage Flooding _ Below Ground	0	3

3.5 Reported Incidents Summary

There were no incidents reported in 2017.

3.6 Sludge / Other inputs to the WWTP

There were no sludge/other inputs to the WWTP in 2017.

Section 4. Infrastructure Assessments and Programme of Improvements

4.1 Storm water overflow identification and inspection report

The Storm Water Overflow Identification & Inspection report was previously submitted in the 2012 AER. A summary of the significance and operation is included below.

Table 4.1.1 - SWO Identification and Inspection Summary Report

WWDL Name / Code for Storm Water Overflow	Irish Grid Ref.	Included in Schedule A4 of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow (High/Med/Low)	Compliance with DoEHLG criteria	No. of times activated in 2017 (No. of events)	Total volume discharged in 2017 (m3)	Total volume discharged in 2017 (P.E.)	Estimated / Measured data
SWO	263000, 335849	Yes	Low	Compliant	Unknown	Unknown	Unknown	Estimated

Table 4.1.2 - SWO Identification and Inspection Summary Report

How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m3/yr)?	Unknown
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (p.e.)?	Unknown
What % of the total volume of sewage generated in the agglomeration was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in 2013?	Unknown
Is each SWO identified as non-compliant with DoEHLG Guidance included in the Programme of Improvements?	N/A
The SWO assessment includes the requirements of relevant WWDL Schedules (Yes/No)	Yes
Have the EPA been advised of any additional SWOs / changes to Schedules A/C under Condition 1 ?	N/A

4.2 Report on progress made and proposals being developed to meet the improvement programme requirements.

There are no specified improvements required for the licence.

Table 4.2.3 - Sewer Integrity Risk Assessment Tool Summary

The Improvement Programme should include an assessment of the integrity of the existing wastewater works for the following:	Risk Assessment Rating (High, Medium, Low)	Risk Assessment Score	Reference to relevant section of AER (e.g. Appendix 2 Section 4).	Specified improvements	Comment
Hydraulic Risk Assessment Score	Medium	100	Appendix 7.3 AER 2016		
Environmental Risk Assessment Score	Low	105	Appendix 7.3 AER 2016		
Structural Risk Assessment Score	High	140	Appendix 7.3 AER 2016		
Operation & Maintenance Risk Assessment Score	Low	40	Appendix 7.3 AER 2016		
Overall Risk Score for the agglomeration	Low	385	Appendix 7.3 AER 2016		

Section 5. Licence Specific Reports

Licence Specific Reports Summary Table

Licence Specific Report	Required by Condition 5 in Licence	Required in this AER or outstanding from previous AER?	Included in this AER?	Reference to previous AER containing report or relevant section of this AER
Priority Substances Assessment	Required	No	No	AER 2014
Drinking Water Abstraction Point Risk Assessment	Not Required	No	No	
Shellfish Impact Assessment	Not Required	No	No	
Pearl Mussel Report	Not Required	No	No	
Toxicity/Leachate Management	Not Required	No	No	
Toxicity of Final Effluent Report	Not Required	No	No	
Small Stream Risk Score Assessment	Not Required	No	No	
Habitats Impact Assessment	Not Required	No	No	

Licence Specific Reports Summary of Findings

Licence Specific Report	Recommendations in Report	Summary of Recommendations in Report
Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	No further screening required
Drinking Water Abstraction Point Risk Assessment	No	
Shellfish Impact Assessment	No	
Pearl Mussel Report	No	
Toxicity/Leachate Management	No	
Toxicity of Final Effluent Report	No	
Habitats Impact Assessment	No	

5.1 Priority Substances Assessment

The Priority Substance Assessment Report was submitted previously in AER 2014. A summary of the significance and operation is included below.

Table 5.1 - Priority Substance Assessment Summary Report

Does the assessment use the Desk Top Study Method or Screening Analysis to determine if the discharge contains the parameters in Appendix 1 of the EPA guidance?	Desktop Study and Screening Analysis
Does the assessment include a review of Trade inputs to the works?	Yes
Does the assessment include a review of other inputs to the works?	No
Does the report include an assessment of the significance of the results where a listed material is present in the discharge? (e.g. impact on the relevant EQS standard for the receiving water)	Yes
Does the assessment identify that priority substances may be impacting the receiving water?	No
Does the Improvement Programme for the agglomeration include the elimination / reduction of all priority substances identified as having an impact on receiving water quality?	No
Recommendations	No further screening required
Status of any improvement measures required	N/A

Section 6. Certification and Sign Off

Table 6.1 - Summary of AER Contents

Does the AER include an executive summary?	Yes
Does the AER include an assessment of the performance of the Waste Water Works (i.e. have the results of assessments been interpreted against WWDL requirements and or Environmental Quality Standards)?	Yes
Is there a need to advise the EPA for consideration of a technical amendment / review of the licence?	No
List reason e.g. additional SWO identified	N/A
Is there a need to request/advise the EPA of any modifications to the existing WWDL? Refer to Condition 1.7 (changes to works/discharges) & Condition 4 (changes to monitoring location, frequency etc.)	No
List reason e.g. failure to complete specified works within dates specified in the licence, changes to monitoring requirements	N/A
Have these processes commenced? (i.e. Request for Technical Amendment / Licence Review / Change Request)	N/A
Are all outstanding reports and assessments from previous AERs included as an appendix to this AER?	N/A
Ensure the following reports are included	

Declaration by Irish Water

The AER contains the following:

- Introduction and background to 2017 AER.
- Monitoring Reports Summary.
- Operational Reports Summary.
- Infrastructural Assessment and Programme of Improvements.
- Licence specific reports
- Certification and Sign Off
- Appendices

I certify that the information given in this Annual Environmental Report is truthful, accurate and complete:

Signed:  Date: 22/02/2018

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Section 7. Appendices

Appendix 7.1 Statement of Measures / Improvement Programme

No major capital works or major changes undertaken in 2017.

Appendix 7.2 Ambient Monitoring

Upstream

Date	Ammonia (mg/l)	Ortho P (mg/l)	BOD (mg/l)	Total N (mg/l)	D.O. (% Sat)	D.O. (mg/l)	pH (mg/l)	Temp °C
21/02/2017	0.03	0.04	1.70			11.01	8.00	8.70
25/04/2017	0.01	0.02	2.10			11.58	8.10	9.00
13/06/2017	0.06	0.05	1.00			8.68	8.10	17.10
22/08/2017	0.02	0.04	2.20			9.41	7.90	16.30
18/10/2017	0.26	0.02	2.70			8.92	7.70	11.20
21/11/2017	0.06	0.04	2.00			9.36	7.60	7.20
Mean	0.07	0.03	1.95			9.83	7.90	11.58
95%ile	0.21	0.05	2.58			11.44	8.10	16.90

Downstream

Date	Ammonia (mg/l)	Ortho P (mg/l)	BOD (mg/l)	Total N (mg/l)	D.O. (% Sat)	D.O. (mg/l)	pH (mg/l)	Temp °C
21/02/2017	0.02	0.02	1.00			10.05	7.90	8.90
25/04/2017	0.00	0.01	9.00			10.17	7.90	9.20
13/06/2017	0.04	0.04	7.00			8.85	7.40	17.00
22/08/2017	0.01	0.04	4.00			9.20	7.50	15.80
18/10/2017	0.26	0.02	1.00			8.71	8.10	11.00
21/11/2017	0.03	0.03	6.00			9.15	8.00	7.40
Mean	0.06	0.03	4.67			9.36	7.80	11.55
95%ile	0.21	0.04	8.50			10.14	8.08	16.70