



Ceased Licence Memo

DATE:	19/09/2017
TO:	Gerard O'Leary, Director OEE <i>Approved</i>
FROM:	Michelle McKim, Inspector, OEE <i>6/10/17</i>
SUBJECT:	Proposal to Cease Waste Licence Reg. No. W0153-01, Greenstar Holdings Limited, Annaskinnan Residual Landfill.

1. RECOMMENDATION

As the carrying on of the activity to which Waste Licence Reg. No. W0153-01 relates has not been substantially commenced within a period of more than 5 years beginning on the date on which the licence was granted, I recommend the following:

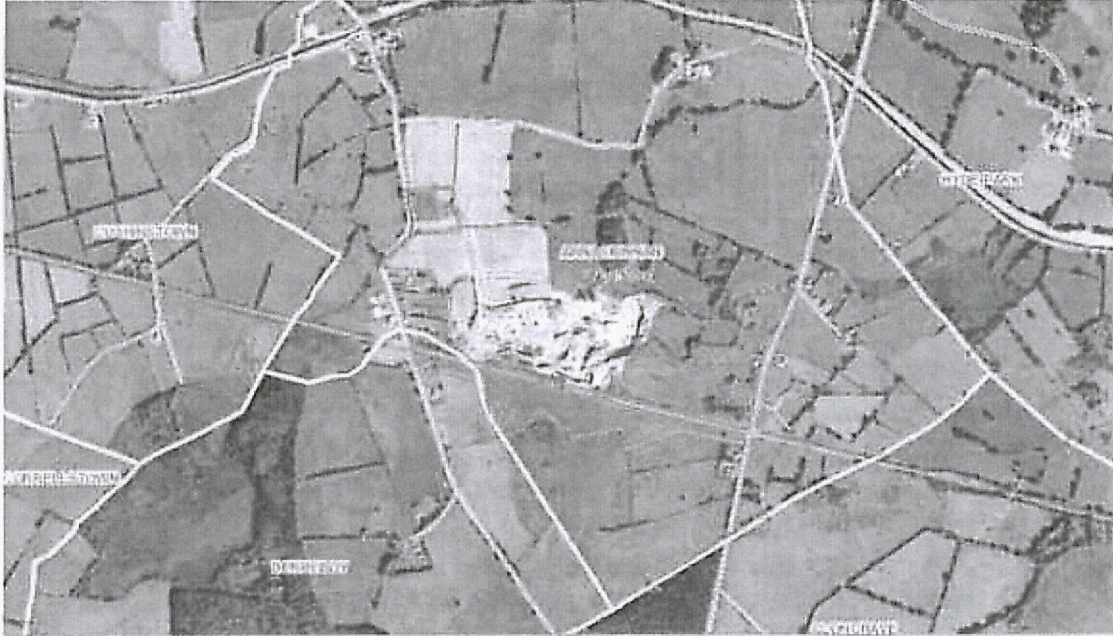
1. That the OEE issue a letter of notification to the Licensee under Section 49(1) of the Waste Management Act 1996, as amended stating that the licence has ceased to have effect from the expiry date of the said period and the activity cannot now commence under this licence.
2. That the OEE notifies Westmeath County Council of the above.
3. That the OEE make the relevant amendments to the OEE database and notifies the other internal offices [OES, Accounts etc] to reflect the change in the licence status to Ceased.

2. SUMMARY

Name of Licensee	Greenstar Holdings Limited
Registration Number	W0153-01
Facility Address	Annaskinnan Residual Landfill, Annaskinnan, Kinnegad, County Westmeath.
Class of Activity	3rd Schedule (Licensed Waste Disposal Activities), <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 5 - Specially engineered landfill, including placement into lined discrete cells which are capped and isolated from one another and the environment - <i>Principal Activity</i>. 4th Schedule (Licensed Waste Recovery Activities), <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Class 4 - Recycling or reclamation of other inorganic materials.
Dated Licence Issued	02/06/2005
Date Licence Ceased	02/06/2011 (under condition 1.7 of W0153-01, the specified period for the purposes of Section 49(1) of the Waste Management Acts 1996 – 2003 was 5 years to 02/06/2010 and an extension of 1 year to 02/06/2011 was granted by the Agency on 01/06/2010).

3. FACILITY LOCATION

The site is located at Annaskinnan, Kinnegad, Co. Westmeath. The site is situated approximately 3.5 km north of Kinnegad and 3.25 km southeast of Killucan, County Westmeath.



4. FACILITY HISTORY

Greenstar Holdings Limited (formally known as Celtic Waste Ltd and Greenstar Limited) had proposed developing an engineered, non-hazardous landfill at Annaskinnan, Killucan, Co. Westmeath. The proposed landfill had a projected capacity of 1.91 million cubic meters of waste and a life span of approximately 10 years handling commercial, municipal and industrial wastes. The proposed landfill footprint was to comprise of some 12.75 hectares of the total site area of 36 hectares. The site is owned by Patrick Cooney (of Annaskinnan Co. Westmeath) and was leased to Greenstar under a long-term lease arrangement.

The site also contains an active sand and gravel quarry (previously leased to/operated by Shay Murtagh Ltd and operated by Fergus Carey and Sons Ltd at the time of licensing in 2005) and the development of the landfill would have allowed for the restoration of the sand and gravel pit to a landform representative of that prior to the commencement of material extraction at the site.

The site is bound to the west by residential properties along the Kinnragad-Killucan Road, to the north and south by agricultural land, and to the east by the Cloncrave-Ballyhaw Road with some residential properties on the far-side of that road. The Dublin-Mullingar railway line passes through the southern portion of that site.

5. CONDITION OF SITE

Contamination

At the licence application stage, there was evidence of some contamination in surface and ground water but this was caused by activities other than the licensable activity (e.g. agriculture), as the licensable activity had not commenced.

There is no other known contamination at the site and the OEE Site Visit on 22/08/2017 did not highlight any issues of concern in relation to contamination at the site.

Activities at the Site

While some site works were carried out in preparation for the landfilling activities (e.g. earth movement and ground preparation for the first cell of a landfill), the licensed activities did not commence at the facility i.e. the landfill was not constructed.

The sand and gravel quarry continued to be operated by Fergus Carey and Sons Ltd after the Waste License was issued and up until 2008. Tom Goode Concrete took over the quarrying activities in 2010 and the quarry facility remains in limited operation with involvement from a Receiver appointed to Tom Goode. A permit is not required for the quarry as the activities at the site pre-date 1960.

The lease arrangement between the licensee (Greenstar Holdings Limited) and the site owner has ceased and the site owner (Patrick Cooney) is currently assessing the feasibility of a permitted C&D waste facility at the site (and options to restore and landscape the facility) and is liaising with Westmeath County Council in relation to this.

6. AGENCY'S ASSESSMENT

A Site Visit was carried out by OEE on 22/08/2017 which confirmed that the licensed activity never commenced. The proposed landfill was not developed. The Site Visit on 22/08/2017 did not highlight any issues in relation to contamination at the site.

The licensee (Greenstar Holdings Limited) has now ceased trading, however input from the licensee was not required to allow the Agency to cease Waste Licence Reg. No. W0153-01 and the notification letter will be issued to the original licensee contact (Malcolm Dowling at Greenstar Fassaroe).

7. FINANCIAL CHARGES & ACCOUNTS

Liaison with OEE Financial Charges and Accounts has confirmed that there are no outstanding financial charges.

Signed: Michelle McKim

Dated: 19/09/17

Michelle McKim, Inspector

Reviewed: Mary Gurré

Dated: 19/09/17

Mary Gurré, Programme Manager