Annual Environmental Report

2018



Portumna

D0196-01

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2018 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0196-01, Portumna, in Galway in accordance with the requirements of the wastewater discharge licence for the agglomeration. Specified reports are included as an appendix to the AER as follows:

1.1 Licence specific reporting included in AER

Assessment / Report	Included in AER
No Licence specific reporting included in AER	NA

1.2 Treatment Type

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant PORTUMNA WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 3100. The treatment process includes the following:

1.2.1 PORTUMNA WWTP

Treatment type	Yes / No	Details
Preliminary Treatment	Yes	screening
Primary Treatment	No	
Secondary Treatment	Yes	conventional activated sludge
Nutrient Removal	No	
Tertiary Treatment	No	

The overall compliance of the final effluent with the Emission Limit Values (ELVs) is shown below. More detailed information on the below ELV's can be found in Section 2.2 Discharges from the agglomeration.

1.3 ELV Overview

1.3.1 PORTUMNA WWTP

Compliance Status		
Were all parameters compliant for PORTUMNA WWTP treatment plant	Yes	
Where noncompliant see table 2.2.1 for details of parameters		

1.4 Sludge Removal

The amount of sludge removed from the wastewater treatment plant is shown below along with the transported destination of the sludge from the treatment plant.

Treatment Plant	Sludge type	Quantity	Unit	% Dry Solids	Destination
PORTUMNA WWTP	Dried Sludge	45.52	Weight (Tonnes)	17.1	Dermot Lydon Lands, Ballymacward, Ballinasloe, Co.Galway
PORTUMNA WWTP	Dried Sludge	56.43	Weight (Tonnes)	17.1	Padraig Daly Lands, Millars Land, Oatfield, Cappataggle, Co.Galway

Annual Statement of Measures

There was no major capital or operational changes undertaken.

2 MONITORING REPORTS SUMMARY

2.1 Summary report on monthly influent monitoring

A summary of influent monitoring for the treatment plant is presented in below. This monitoring is primarily undertaken in order to determine the overall efficiency of the plant in removing pollutants from the raw wastewater.

2.1.1 Influent Monitoring Summary - PORTUMNA WWTP

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	12	4.4	1.79
COD-Cr mg/l	12	488	188.84
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	12	208	53.72
Suspended Solids mg/l	12	395	108.08
Hydraulic Capacity	0	3244	448

If other inputs in the form of sludge / leachate are added to the WWTP then these are included in Section 3.5 if applicable

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.

2.2 Discharges from the agglomeration

2.2.1 Effluent Monitoring Summary - PORTUMNA WWTP

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Number of sample results	Number of exceedances	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
E. Coli MPN/100ml	0	0	0	10	0	0	21351.08	Pass
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	5	6	0	12	0	0	0.41	Pass
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	0	12	0	0	28.51	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	25	50	0	12	0	0	2.14	Pass
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	1.7	2.04	0	12	0	0	0.14	Pass
E. Coli cfu/100ml	0	0	0	2	0	0	7979.57	Pass
Enterococci (Intestinal) cfu/100ml	0	0	0	12	0	0	1695.69	Pass
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	0	12	1	0	10.4	Pass

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Number of sample results	Number of exceedances	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
Faecal coliforms no./100mls	0	0	0	12	0	0	27412.97	Pass
pH pH units	0	0	0	12	0	0	7.67	Pass

Notes:

Cause of Exceedance(s):

Not Applicable

Significance of Results:

The WWTP is compliant with the ELV's set in the Wastewater Discharge Licence.

2.3 Ambient monitoring summary

A summary of monitoring from ambient monitoring points associated with the wastewater discharge is provided in the sections below. For discharges to rivers upstream (U/S) and downstream (D/S) location data is provided. For other ambient points in lakes, coastal or transitional waters, monitoring data from the most appropriate monitoring station is selected.

2.3.1 Ambient Monitoring Report Summary - PORTUMNA WWTP

The table below provides details of ambient monitoring locations and details of any designations as sensitive areas.

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	Code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish	WFD Status
Downstream	0, 0	TPEFF1200D0196SW001	No	No	No	No	Poor

¹⁻ This represents the Emission Limit Values after the Interpretation provided for under Condition 2 of the licence is applied

^{2 -} For parameters where a mean ELV applies

2.3.2 Ambient Monitoring Parameter Summary - PORTUMNA WWTP

Included in Appendix.

Significance of Results:

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

The ambient monitoring results meet the required EQS.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does not have an observable impact on the water quality.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does not have an observable negative impact on the Water Framework Directive status.

Other Potential cause of deterioration in water quality relevant to this area are: Unknown

3 OPERATIONAL REPORTS SUMMARY

3.1 Treatment Efficiency Report

Treatment efficiency is based on the removal of key pollutants from the influent wastewater by the treatment plant. In essence the calculation is based on the balance of load coming into the plant versus the load leaving the plant. The efficiency is presented as a percentage removal rate.

A summary presentation of the efficiency of the treatment process including information for all the parameters specified in the licence is included below:

3.1.1 Treatment Efficiency Report Summary - PORTUMNA WWTP

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)	Comment
TN				
COD	142699.49	21546.07	84.9	
ТР	1351.1	103.12	92.37	
cBOD	40595.21	1616.95	96.02	
ss	81671.67	7858.34	90.38	

Note: The above data is based on sample results for the number of dates reported

3.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary

Treatment capacity is an assessment of the hydraulic (flow) and organic (the amount of pollutants) load a treatment plant is designed to treat versus the current loading of that plant.

PORTUMNA WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m3/day) - As Constructed	2325
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	775
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m3/day)	3244
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	448
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	3100
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)	2161
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	939
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes/No)	No

3.3 Complaints Summary

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

Number of Complaints	Nature of Complaint	Number Open Complaints	Number Closed Complaints
1	Blocked Sewer	0	1

3.4 Reported Incidents Summary

Environmental incidents that arise in an agglomeration are reported on an on-going basis in accordance with our waste water discharge licences. Where an incident occurs and it is reportable under the licence, it is reported to the Environmental Protection Agency through their Environmental Data Exchange Network, or in some instances by telephone. Some incidents which arise in the agglomeration are recorded by Irish Water but may not be reportable under our licence for example where the incident does not have an impact on environmental performance. A summary of reported incidents is included below.

3.4.1 Summary of Incidents

Incident Type	Cause	No. of incident occurrences	Recurring (Y/N)	Closed (Y/N)
Uncontrolled release	EO caused by ragging or blocking	2	Yes	Yes

3.4.2 Summary of Overall Incidents

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2018	2
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2018	2
Explanation of any discrepancies between the two numbers above	one incident reoccurred

3.5 Sludge / Other inputs to the WWTP

'Other inputs' to the waste water treatment plant are summarised in table below

Input type	Quantity	Unit	P.E.	% of load to WWTP	Included in Influent Monitoring (Y/N)?	Is there a leachate/sludge acceptance procedure for the WWTP?	Is there a dedicated leachate/sludge acceptance facility for the WWTP? (Y/N)		
There is no Sludge and Other Input data for the Treatment Plant included in the AER.									

4 INFRASTRUCTURAL ASSESSMENTS AND PROGRAMME OF IMPROVEMENTS

4.1 Storm Water Overflow Identification and Inspection Report

A summary of the operation of the storm water overflows and their significance where known is included below:

No Appendix Included

4.1.1 SWO Identification

WWDL Name / Code for Storm Water Overflow	Irish Grid Ref.	Included in Schedule A4 of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow(High / Medium / Low)	Assessed against DoEHLG Criteria	No. of times activated in 2018 (No. of events)	Total volume discharged in 2018 (m3)	Monitoring Status
SW005	186190, 204670	Yes	Unknown	Not yet Assessed			Not Monitored
SW006	185113, 204515	Yes	Unknown	Not yet Assessed			Not Monitored
SW007	185361, 204613	Yes	Unknown	Not yet Assessed			Not Monitored

4.1.2 Inspection Summary Report

SWO Summary	
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m3)?	
Is each SWO identified as non meeting DoEHLG Guidance included in the Programme of Improvements?	Yes
The SWO Assessment included the requirements of relevant of WWDL schedules?	No
Have the EPA been advised of any additional SWOs / charges to Schedule C3 and A4 under Condition 1.7?	No

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

4.2.1 Specified Improvement Programme Summary

A wastewater discharge licence may require a number of reports on specific subject areas to be prepared for the agglomeration in question. These reports are submitted to the EPA as part of the Annual Environmental Report. This section provides list of the various reports required for this agglomeration and a brief summary of their recommendations.

Specified Improvement Programmes (under Schedule A and C of WWDL)	Licence Licence Schedule Completion Date		Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments				
There are no Specified Improvement Programmes for this Agglomeration.										

A summary of the status of any improvements identified by under Condition 5.2 is included below.

4.2.2 Improvement Programme Summary

Improvement Identifier	Improvement Description	Improvement Source	Expected Completion Date	Comments
D0196-IP:52	Replace Inlet screen	Improved Operational Control	30/9/2019	0% complete
D0196-IP:53	Replace Diffuser discs in 2 aeration tanks	Improved Operational Control	30/9/2019	0% complete
D0196-IP:54	Enable full DO control, potential to operate on one ASP lane for periods of time due to under loading	Improved Operational Control	30/4/2019	80% complete

4.2.3 Sewer Integrity Risk Assessment

The utilisation of multiple capital maintenance programmes and the outputs of the workshops with the Local Authority Operations Staff held under the programme can be used to satisfy the requirements of Condition 5 regarding network integrity. Improvement works identified by way of these programmes and workshops will be included in the Improvements Summary Table".

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5.1.1 Licence Specific Reports Summary Table

Licence Specific Report	Required by licence	Year included in AER	Included in this AER	Reference to relevant section of AER (e.g. Appendix X).
Drinking Water Abstraction Point Risk Assessment	Yes	None	No	
Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	2015	No	

6 CERTIFICATION AND SIGN OFF

6.1 Summary of AER Contents

Parameter	Answer
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	
Is there a need to request/advise the EPA of any modifications to the existing WWDL?	No
List reason e.g. changes to monitoring requirements	
Have these processes commenced?	
Are all outstanding reports and assessments from previous AERs included as an appendix to this AER	No

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

Signed: Date: 28/02/2019

This AER has been produced by Irish Water's Environmental Information System (EIMS) and has been electronically signed off in that system for and on behalf of,

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7 APPENDIX

There is an upstream and downstream Ambient Monitoring Summary report with EQS calculations relevant to Section 2.3.

D0196 - Portumna - Ambient Data (Down Stream) 2018

	Parameter	рН	Biological Oxygen Demand	Ammonia N	Total Phosphorus P	Dissolved Oxygen	Suspended Solids	Temperature	E Coli	Enterococci	E Coli	Faecal Coliforms
	Max.											
	Min.											
	Test Method											
Sample Date	Analyst Conclu	pH units	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	Degrees C	MPN/100mls	cfu/100mls	cfu/100mls	no./100mls
27-Feb-2018	-	8.2	< 1	< 0.005	< 0.05	10.6	< 2	4.8		6	24	24
10-May-2018	-	8.8	6.5	0.291	0.04	12	< 5	12.3	114	6		120
4-Sep-2018	-	8.5	2.9	0.023	< 0.01	10	< 5	16.7	30	2		60
6-Nov-2018	_	8	1.8	0.11	0.01	10	< 5	11.4	31	14		35