# **Annual Environmental Report**





Charlestown

D0214-01

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### 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2018 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0214-01, Charlestown, in Mayo 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
There is no Licence Specific Reports included in the AER.	

### **1.2 Treatment Type**

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant Charlestown WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 1200. The treatment process includes the following:

#### 1.2.1 Charlestown WWTP

Treatment type	Yes / No	Details
Preliminary Treatment	No	
Primary Treatment	No	
Secondary Treatment	Yes	Activated sludge - Extended Aeration
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 Charlestown WWTP

Compliance Status	
Were all parameters compliant for Charlestown WWTP treatment plant	No
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
Charlestown WWTP	Liquid Sludge	1300	Volume (m3)		Swinford wwtp

### **Annual Statement of Measures**

Plant upgrade commenced Q3 2018 due to be completed Q2 2020.

### **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 - Charlestown WWTP

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/I	6	177	96.86
Suspended Solids mg/l	6	199	104.16
COD-Cr mg/l	6	449	255.66
Hydraulic Capacity	0	3278	1030

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 greater 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.

#### Discharges from the agglomeration 2.2

#### 2.2.1 **Effluent Monitoring Summary - Charlestown 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 exceedances with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
pH pH units	0	0	0	3	0	0	7.42	Pass
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	0	6	0	0	60.75	Pass
Visual Inspection Descriptive	0	0	0	3	0	0	0	Pass
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	0.7	Pass
Suspended Solids mg/l	25	62.5	0	6	2	2	38.71	Fail
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	0.84	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	25	50	0	6	0	0	12.51	Pass

Notes:

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

#### Cause of Exceedance(s):

## Plant upgrade required

### Significance of Results:

The WWTP is not 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 - Charlestown 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
Upstream	147593, 302113	TPEFF2200D0214SW001	No	No	No	No	Poor
Downstream	147496, 302517	TPEFF2200D0214SW001	No	No	No	No	Poor

### 2.3.2 Ambient Monitoring Parameter Summary - Charlestown WWTP

The results for ambient results and / or additional monitoring data sets are included in the Appendix 7.1 - Ambient monitoring summary

#### Significance of Results:

The WWTP discharge was not 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.

### **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 - Charlestown WWTP

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)	Comment
cBOD	26855.85	3469.11	87.08	
ТN				
SS	28882.45	10732.46	62.84	
COD	70890.06	16844.81	76.24	
ТР				

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.

Charlestown WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m3/day) - As Constructed	810

Charlestown WWTP	
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	270
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m3/day)	3278
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	1030
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	1200
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)	1297
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	0
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes/No)	Yes

### 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				
There is no Complaint data includ	There is no Complaint data included in the AER.						

### 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)
Non-compliance	WWTP upgrade required to meet ELV	2	Yes	No

### 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	

### 3.5 Sludge / Other inputs to the WWTP

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

li t	nput ype	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)	
Т	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
SW002	147537, 302222	Yes	Low	Not Meeting			Not Monitored
SW003	147821, 301827	Yes	Low	Meeting			Not Monitored
SW004	147835, 301834	Yes	Low	Meeting			Not Monitored
SW005	147773, 301899	Yes	Low	Meeting			Not Monitored
SW006	147850, 302092	Yes	Low	Not Meeting			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?	No
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 Schedule	Licence Completion Date	Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments
Improvement works including nutrient reduction to ensure compliance with the ELVs in Schedule A.	С	31/12/2019	No	Work ongoing on- site	30/06/2020	
Improvement works to ensure compliance with Condition 1.7	С	31/12/2019	No	Work ongoing on- site	30/06/2020	

Specified Improvement Programmes (under Schedule A and C of WWDL)	Licence Schedule	Licence Completion Date	Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments
SW001 Primary discharge to be discontinued	С	31/12/2017	Yes	Work ongoing on- site	30/06/2020	

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					
There are no Improvements Programme for this Agglomeration.									

### 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".

### **5 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTS**

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5.a Licence Specific Reports Summary Table

Licence Specific	Required by	Year included in	Included in this	Reference to relevant section of AER (e.g. Appendix X).				
Report	licence	AER	AER					
There is no Licence Specific Report Required in this AER Annual Review.								

### 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	N/A

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

Signed: Date: 05/03/2019

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

In the appendix include all the detailed or site specific reports that are relevant to the AER. Reports omitted from previous AERs should also be appended here.

### Appendix

Appendix 7.1 - Ambient monitoring summary

		Parameter	Ammonia	ortho-Pho
Station Reference	Sample Date	Units	mg/l	mg/l
RS34C280100	8-Jan-2018	Downstream	0.091	0.016
RS34C280100	7-Mar-2018	Downstream	0.022	< 0.01
RS34C280100	9-May-2018	Downstream	0.009	< 0.01
RS34C280100	24-July-2018	Downstream		0.043
RS34C280100	17-Aug-2018	Downstream	0.362	0.043
RS34C280100	8-Nov-2018	Downstream	0.022	0.011
RS34C280100	6-Dec-2018	Downstream	0.028	0.015

pH units	BOD	Suspende	Temperature
pH units	mg/l	mg/l	Degrees C
7.6	1	2	6.8
7.6	1	9	4.9
7.9	< 1	5	10.5
8	4.2	< 5	18
8	< 1	18	15
7.8	2	< 5	14
7.5	2.9	16	14

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## Upstream Ambient - Mullaghanoe/Charlestown Stream

		Parameter	Ammonia	pH units	BOD	Ortho- P	Suspended Solids	Temperature
Station Reference	Sample Date	Units	mg/l	pH units	mg/l	mg/l	mg/l	Degrees C
RS34C280094	8-Jan-2018	Upstream	0.015	7.6	0.5	0.005	1	6.8
RS34C280094	7-Mar-2018	Upstream	0.015	7.5	1	0.005	11	4.7
RS34C280094	9-May-2018	Upstream	0.002	8	0.5	0.005	1	10.2
RS34C280094	24-July-2018	Upstream		8.3	1.7	0.002	2	19
RS34C280094	17-Aug-2018	Upstream	0.008	8.1	0.5	0.002	2	15
RS34C280094	8-Nov-2018	Upstream	0.013	7.9	1.9	0.003	2	14
RS34C280094	6-Dec-2018	Upstream	0.023	7.8	2.2	0.01	2	14

			Receiving Waters Designation (Yes/No)				Mean (mg/l)			
Ambient Monitoring	Irish National	EPA Feature	Bathing	Drinking	FWPM	Shellfish	Current WFD	cBOD	o-Phosphate (as P)	Ammonia (as N)
Point from WWDL (or as	Grid Reference	Coding Tool	Water	Water			Status			
agreed with EPA)	(Easting, Northing)	code								
Upstream Monitoring	147593E									
Point	302113N	RS34C280094					Poor	1.180	0.004	0.012
Downstream Monitoring	147496E									
Point	302517N	RS34C280100	No	No	No	No	Poor	1.730	0.028	0.089
Difference								0.000	0.024	0.077
EQS								2.600	0.075	0.140
% of EQS								21.154%	32.000%	55.000%