# Annual Environmental Report





Clonmellon

D0271-01

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# 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2018 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0271-01, Clonmellon, in Westmeath 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 Clonmellon WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 1500. The treatment process includes the following:

## 1.2.1 Clonmellon WWTP

Treatment type	Yes / No	Details
Preliminary Treatment	Yes	Screening and Grit Removal
Primary Treatment	No	
Secondary Treatment	Yes	Conventional Activated Sludge
Nutrient Removal	Yes	Alum Dosing
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 Clonmellon WWTP

Compliance Status	
Were all parameters compliant for Clonmellon WWTP treatment plant	No
Where non compliant 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
Clonmellon WWTP	Liquid Sludge	103.36	Weight (Tonnes)	0.97	Clonmore WWTP Mullingar

### **Annual Statement of Measures**

There were 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 - Clonmellon WWTP

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	6	6.9	3.43
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	6	225	121.8
Total Nitrogen mg/l	6	68.7	32.4
Suspended Solids mg/l	6	135	59.89
BOD - 5 days (Total) mg/l	6	279	130.61
COD-Cr mg/l	6	537	293.04
Hydraulic Capacity		1688	242

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 - Clonmellon WWTP

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Schedule A)	ELV with Condition 2 Interpretation included <sup>Note 1</sup>	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)
Nitrate (as N) mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	27.4	N/A
pH pH units	6 to 9	0	0	6	2	0	6.84	Fail
Nitrite (as N) mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	0.04	N/A
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	0	6	0	0	39.7	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	10	20	0	6	0	0	1.69	Pass
Total Oxidised Nitrogen (as N) mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	27.58	N/A
Kjeldahl Nitrogen mg/l	0	0	0	2	0	0	2.3	N/A
Total Nitrogen mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	32.68	N/A
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	0.3	0.6	0	6	3	1	0.64	Fail

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)
Conductivity 20 C μS/cm	0	0	0	6	0	0	902.42	N/A
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	0	0	0	6	0	0	0.78	N/A
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	0.5	1	0	6	2	1	0.36	Fail
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	0	6	0	0	9.81	Pass

Notes:

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

#### Cause of Exceedance(s):

Shock Load to WWTP and Inadequate Operational Procedures.

#### Significance of Results:

The WWTP is non-compliant with the ELV's set in the Wastewater Discharge Licence. There were 3 exceedances in relation to the Ortho-P parameter ELV, 1 of which was above the Condition 2 ELV. There were 2 exceedances in relation to the Ammonia-N parameter ELV, 1 of which was above the Condition 2 ELV. There were 2 pH exceedances. The impact on receiving water is assessed further in Section 2.3.

## 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 - Clonmellon 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	265611, 268726	TPEFF3200D0271SW001	No	No	No	No	Moderate
Downstream	265598, 269009	TPEFF3200D0271SW001	No	No	No	No	Moderate

## 2.3.2 Ambient Monitoring Parameter Summary - Clonmellon WWTP

The table below provides a summary of monitoring results for designated ambient monitoring points. The upstream and downstream annual mean values are shown (mg/l), and the difference between both monitoring stations is given as a percentage of the Environmental Quality Standard (EQS) where relevant.

Parameter Name	Upstream Monitoring Point Location	Upstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	Downstream Monitoring Point Location	Downstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	EQS	% of EQS
BOD - 5 days (Total) mg/l	RS07K260670	1.32	RS07K260730	2.2	2.6	33.8
pH pH units	RS07K260670	7.78	RS07K260730	7.68		
Total Nitrogen mg/l	RS07K260670	2.62	RS07K260730	6.76		
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	RS07K260670	0.04	RS07K260730	0.1		

Parameter Name	Upstream Monitoring Point Location	Upstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	Downstream Monitoring Point Location	Downstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	EQS	% of EQS
Temperature °C	RS07K260670	12.4	RS07K260730	11.95		
Conductivity 20 C µS/cm	RS07K260670	753.2	RS07K260730	791.4		
Dissolved Oxygen % Saturation	RS07K260670	77.8	RS07K260730	70.6		
Dissolved Oxygen mg/l	RS07K260670	8.21	RS07K260730	7.7		
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	RS07K260670	0.07	RS07K260730	0.14	0.14	44.9
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	RS07K260670	0.02	RS07K260730	0.06	0.075	52.7
COD-Cr mg/l	RS07K260670	19.8	RS07K260730	18.8		

#### 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. Where the ambient monitoring results meets the EQS this relates to the Oxygenation and Nutrient Conditions set out in the Surface Water Regulations 2009.

A deterioration in concentration is noted however in Ammonia d/s of the plant. Based on the Ammonia ELV breaches in 2018, the discharge from the WWTP may have contributed to this deterioration. A deterioration in water quality has been identified also in terms of Ortho-P. Based on the Ortho-P ELV breaches in 2018, the discharge from the WWTP may have contributed to this deterioration. Other causes of deterioration in water quality in the area are unknown.

It is acknowledged that consistent achievement with the ELVs would benefit the quality of the receiving water.

The discharge from the WWTP has no observable negative impact on the Water Framework Directive status. The status is Moderate both u/s and d/s of the WWTP discharge.

# 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 - Clonmellon WWTP

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)
ТN	2265.76	1531.52	32.41
cBOD	8517.79	79.28	99.07
COD	20493.73	1860.48	90.92
SS	4188.59	459.79	89.02
ТР	239.76	36.43	84.8

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.

Clonmellon WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m³/day) - As Constructed	1014
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	338
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m³/day)	1688
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m <sup>3</sup> /day)	242
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	1500
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)	819
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	681
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
2	Blocked Sewer	0	2

## 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	Shock load to WWTP	1	Yes	Yes
Non-compliance	Inadequate Operational Procedures	5	Yes	No

#### 3.4.2 Summary of Overall Incidents

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2018	6
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2018	6
Explanation of any discrepancies between the two numbers above	N/A

# 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	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
SW003	265595, 268997	Yes	Low	Meeting			Not Monitored

## 4.1.2 Inspection Summary Report

SWO Summary	
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m <sup>3</sup> )?	Not Monitored
Is each SWO identified as not 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 / changes 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	
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
There are no Improvements Pr	ogramme 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

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.

5.a 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
Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	2014	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	N/A
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	N/A
Have these processes commenced?	N/A
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:

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## 7 APPENDIX

There are no Appendices included.