# Annual Environmental Report

2019



Monksland

D0042-01

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### 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2019 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0042-01, Monksland, in Roscommon in accordance with the requirements of the wastewater discharge licence for the agglomeration. Specified reports where relevant are included as an appendix to the AER.

#### 1.1 ANNUAL STATEMENT OF MEASURES

A summary of any improvements undertaken is provided where applicable.

New inlet works and storm water holding tanks complete -December 2019

#### 1.2 TREATMENT SUMMARY

The agglomeration is served by a wastewater treatment plant(s)

 MONKSLAND WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 14381, the treatment type is 3P - Tertiary P removal

#### 1.3 ELV OVERVIEW

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.

Discharge Point	Treatment	Discharge	Compliance	Parameters failing if relevant
Reference	Plant	Type	Status	
TPEFF2600D0042SW001	MONKSLAND WWTP	Treated	Non- Compliant	Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l

#### 1.4 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTING INCLUDED IN AER

Assessment / Report	Included in AER
There are no Licence Specific Reports included in the	e AER.

### 2 TREATMENT PLANT PERFORMANCE AND IMPACT SUMMARY

#### 2.1 MONKSLAND WWTP - TREATED DISCHARGE

#### 2.1.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - MONKSLAND WWTP

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

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Total Nitrogen mg/l	13	79	56.52
COD-Cr mg/I	13	2988	1305.97
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	13	12.59	8.51
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	13	1348	540.17
Suspended Solids mg/l	13	402	263.49
Hydraulic Capacity	N/A	3990	1208

If other inputs in the form of sludge / leachate are added to the WWTP then these are included in Section 2.1.5 if applicable.

#### **Significance of Results:**

The annual mean hydraulic loading is less than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. The annual maximum hydraulic loading is greater than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity. Further details on the plant capacity and efficiency can be found under the sectional 'Operational Performance Summary'.

#### 2.1.2 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY -TPEFF2600D0042SW001

Parameter	WWDL ELV (Sched ule A)	ELV with Conditio n 2 Interpreta tion included Note 1	Interim % reduction from influent concentration	Num ber of samp le resul ts	Number of exceeda nces	Number of with Conditio n 2 Interpreta tion included	Annu al Mean	Overall Complia nce (Pass/F ail)
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	N/A	13	1	0	50.63	Pass
Suspende d Solids mg/l	35	87.5	N/A	13	0	0	12.96	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonac eous BOD) mg/I	25	50	N/A	13	0	0	3.92	Pass
pH pH units	9	9	N/A	13	0	0	7.43	Pass
Ammonia- Total (as N) mg/l	2.5	3	N/A	13	5	5	5.61	Fail
ortho- Phosphate (as P) - unspecifie d mg/l	0.5	0.6	N/A	13	2	1	0.29	Fail
Total Phosphor us (as P) mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	N/A	N/A	0.51	
Total Nitrogen mg/l	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	N/A	N/A	25.05	
Conductivi ty 20 C µS/cm	N/A	N/A	N/A	13	N/A	N/A	1606. 91	

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 the WWTP and Inadequate infrastructure.

#### **Significance of Results:**

The WWTP is non-compliant with the ELV's set out in the WWDL. The impact on receiving waters is assessed further in Section 2.

### 2.1.3 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGE TPEFF2600D0042SW001

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.

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	River Station Code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish	WFD Status
Upstream	198675, 242140	RS26C100200	No	No	No	No	Good
Downstream	201085, 240179	RS26C100300	No	No	No	No	Moderate

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	RS26C100200	0.722	RS26C100300	1	1.5	18.5

Ammonia- Total (as N) mg/l	RS26C100200	0.049	RS26C100300	0.066	0.065	26.7
ortho- Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	RS26C100200	0.011	RS26C100300	0.014	0.035	8.8
Temperature °C	RS26C100200	12.056	RS26C100300	12.077		
pH pH units	RS26C100200	7.416	RS26C100300	7.613		
Dissolved Oxygen mg/l	RS26C100200	9	RS26C100300	9.392		
Dissolved Oxygen % Saturation	RS26C100200	84.544	RS26C100300	87.077		
Total Nitrogen mg/l	RS26C100200	2.467	RS26C100300	2.613		

#### **Significance of Results:**

The WWTP discharge was not compliant with the ELV's set in the wastewater discharge licence.

The ambient monitoring results do not meet the required EQS. The EQS relates to the Oxygenation and Nutrient Conditions set out in the Surface Water Regulations 2009.

Based on ambient monitoring results a deterioration in Ammonia, BOD and Ortho-Phosphate concentrations downstream of the effluent discharge is noted.

A deterioration in water quality has been identified, however it is not known if it or is not caused by the WWTP.

Other causes of deterioration in water quality in the area are unknown.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant does have an observable negative impact on the Water Framework Directive status.

### 2.1.4 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY - MONKSLAND WWTP

#### 2.1.4.1 Treatment Efficiency Report - MONKSLAND WWTP

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:

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)
ТР	3837	231	94
cBOD	243557	1767	99
TN	25485	11293	56
ss	118803	5842	95
COD	588846	22828	96

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

#### 2.1.4.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary - MONKSLAND WWTP

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.

MONKSLAND WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m³/day) - As Constructed	3477
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	1159
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m³/day)	3990
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	1208
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	14381
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)Note1	8111
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	6270
Will the capacity be exceeded in the next three years? (Yes/No)	No

Nominal design capacities can be based on conservative design principles. In some cases assessment of existing plants has shown organic capacities significantly higher than the nominal design capacity. Accordingly plants that appear to be overloaded when comparing a collected peak load with the nominal design capacity can be fully compliant due to the safety factors in the original design.

#### 2.1.5 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS - MONKSLAND 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)
Domestic /Septic Tank Sludge	141	Volume (m3)	2	0.03	No	No	No

#### **3 COMPLAINTS AND INCIDENTS**

#### 3.1 COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

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

Number of Complaints	Nature of	Number Open	Number Closed				
	Complaint	Complaints	Complaints				
There were no relevant environmental complaints in 2019.							

#### 3.2 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.

#### 3.2.1 SUMMARY OF INCIDENTS

Incident Type	Cause	No. of incident occurrences	Recurring (Y/N)	Closed (Y/N)
Breach of ELV	Shock load to the WWTP	1	No	Yes
Abatement Equipment offline	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	No	No
Breach of ELV	Inadequate Infrastructure	1	Yes	No

#### 3.2.2 SUMMARY OF OVERALL INCIDENTS

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2019	3
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2019	3
Explanation of any discrepancies between the two numbers above	N/A

### 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:

#### 4.1.1 SWO IDENTIFICATION

WWDL Name / Code for Storm Water Overflo w	Irish Grid Ref.	Included in Schedul e A4 of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow(Hig h / Medium / Low)	Assesse d against DoEHLG Criteria	No. of times activate d in 2019 (No. of events)	Total volume discharge d in 2019 (m3)	Monitorin g Status
твс	200453	No	Low	Meeting	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored

SWO Summary	
How much sewage was discharged via SWOs in the agglomeration in the year (m3)?	Unknown
Is each SWO identified as not meeting DoEHLG Guidance included in the Programme of Improvements?	N/A
The SWO Assessment included the requirements of relevant of WWDL schedules?	Yes
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 Improveme nt Programm es (under Schedule A and C of WWDL)	Description	Licence Schedul e	Licence Completi on Date	Date Expired ? (N/NA/Y	Status of Works	Timefram e for Completi ng the Work	Commen ts
D0042- SIP:01	Reduction of orthophosph ate conc. In discharges from SW1	С	01/01/201	Yes	Works Complet ed		

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 / or any Operational Improvements	Improvement Source	Expected Completion Date	Comments
D0042-IP:32	New Inlet Works and Storm Tank	Improved Operational Control	31/12/2019	

#### 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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Licence Specific Report	Required by licence	Year included in AER	Included in this AER	Reference to relevant section of AER
Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	2015	No	

#### **5.1 PRIORITY SUBSTANCES ASSESSMENT**

The Priority Substances Assessment Report has been included in the 2015 AER.

#### **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 modification to the existing WWDL with respect to condition 4 changes to monitoring location, frequency etc.	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	No

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

Signed: Date: 03/04/2020

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 are no Appendices included