# Annual Environmental Report 2023



**Bantry** 

D0168-01

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## 1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2023 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0168-01, Bantry, in Cork 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.

#### 1.2 TREATMENT SUMMARY

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

- Bantry Secondary Discharge #1 with a Plant Capacity PE of , the treatment type is .
- Bantry Secondary Discharge #2 with a Plant Capacity PE of , the treatment type is 0 No treatment .
- Bantry WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 6000, 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 Reference	Treatment Plant	Discharge Type	Compliance Status	Parameters failing if relevant	
TPEFF0500D0168SW003	Bantry Secondary Discharge #1	Combined	Non-Compliant	N/A	

Discharge Point Reference	Treatment Plant	Discharge Type	Compliance Status	Parameters failing if relevant
TPEFF0500D0168SW004	Bantry Secondary Discharge #2	Treated Compliant		N/A
TPEFF0500D0168SW001	Bantry WWTP	Treated	Compliant	N/A

# 1.4 LICENCE SPECIFIC REPORTING

#### Assessment / Report

There are no Licence Specific Reports included in this AER.

## 2 TREATMENT PLANT PERFORMANCE AND IMPACT SUMMARY

#### 2.1 BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #1 - COMBINED DISCHARGE

#### 2.1.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #1

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
There is no Influent data inclu	ided in the AER.		

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 greater 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 -

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)
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	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 exceedances with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/I	25	50	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pass

#### Notes:

#### **Cause of Exceedance(s):**

Not applicable

# **Significance of Results:**

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

### 2.1.3 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - COMBINED - TPEFF0500D0168SW003

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)		
There is no	There is no Effluent data included in the AER.									

<sup>1 –</sup> This represents the Emission Limit Values after the Interpretation provided for under Condition 2 of the licence is applied

<sup>2 -</sup> For pH the WWDA specifies a range of pH 6 - 9

#### 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 3 For pH the WWDA specifies a range of pH 6-9

#### **Cause of Exceedance(s):**

Not applicable

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

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

# 2.1.4 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE COMBINED DISCHARGE TPEFF0500D0168SW003

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 Ecological Status

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 coastal/transitional 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.

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

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

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.

#### 2.1.5 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #1

#### 2.1.5.1 Treatment Efficiency Report - Bantry Secondary Discharge #1

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)
cBOD	N/A	N/A	N/A
COD	N/A	N/A	N/A
ss	N/A	N/A	N/A
ТР	N/A	N/A	N/A
TN	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

#### 2.1.5.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary - Bantry Secondary Discharge #1

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.

Bantry Secondary Discharge #1	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m³/day) - As Constructed	0
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	0
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m³/day)	N/A
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	N/A
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	N/A
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)Note1	4148
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	N/A
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.

# 2.1.6 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #1

'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.								

#### 2.2 BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #2 - TREATED DISCHARGE

#### 2.2.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #2

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
There is no Influent data inclu	ided in the AER.		

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 greater 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'.

#### 2.2.2 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - TPEFF0500D0168SW004

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)
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pass
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	N/A	12	2	N/A	N/A	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 exceedances with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/I	25	50	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	N/A	Pass

#### Notes:

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

2 - For pH the WWDA specifies a range of pH 6 - 9

#### Cause of Exceedance(s):

Not applicable

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

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

# 2.2.3 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGE TPEFF0500D0168SW004

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 Ecological Status

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 coastal/transitional 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.

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

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

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.

#### 2.2.4 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #2

#### 2.2.4.1 Treatment Efficiency Report - Bantry Secondary Discharge #2

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)
cBOD	N/A	N/A	N/A
ss	N/A	N/A	N/A

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)
TP	N/A	N/A	N/A
COD	N/A	N/A	N/A
TN	N/A	N/A	N/A

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

#### 2.2.4.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary - Bantry Secondary Discharge #2

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.

Bantry Secondary Discharge #2				
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m³/day) - As Constructed	0			
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	0			
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m³/day)	N/A			
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	N/A			
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	N/A			
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)Note1				
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	N/A			
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.

## 2.2.5 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS - BANTRY SECONDARY DISCHARGE #2

'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.									

# 2.3 BANTRY WWTP - TREATED DISCHARGE

#### 2.3.1 INFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - BANTRY 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
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/l	12	255	77
Suspended Solids mg/l	12	357	72
COD-Cr mg/l	12	553	190
Hydraulic Capacity	N/A	4772	2064

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'. The design of the wastewater treatment plant allows for peak values and therefore the peak loads have not impacted on compliance with Emission Limit Values.

# 2.3.2 EFFLUENT MONITORING SUMMARY - TPEFF0500D0168SW001

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)
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	34	Pass
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	9.06	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceo mg/l	25	50	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	3.72	Pass
pH pH units	9	9	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	7.47	Pass
ortho- Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	8	9.6	N/A	12	N/A	N/A	0.241	Pass
Enterococci (Intestinal) no./100mls	N/A	N/A	N/A	24	N/A	N/A	5368	

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)
E. Coli no./100mls	N/A	N/A	N/A	24	N/A	N/A	10541	
Faecal coliforms no./100mls	N/A	N/A	N/A	24	N/A	N/A	4169	

#### Notes:

#### **Cause of Exceedance(s):**

Not applicable

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

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

# 2.3.3 AMBIENT MONITORING SUMMARY FOR THE TREATMENT PLANT DISCHARGE TPEFF0500D0168SW001

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.

<sup>1 –</sup> This represents the Emission Limit Values after the Interpretation provided for under Condition 2 of the licence is applied

<sup>2 -</sup> For pH the WWDA specifies a range of pH 6 - 9

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	River Station Code	Bathing Water	Drinking Water	FWPM	Shellfish	WFD Ecological Status
Downstream	97751, 48958	TW05003191IB1001	No	No	No	Yes	Unassigned

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 coastal/transitional 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.

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

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

#### 2.3.4 OPERATIONAL PERFORMANCE SUMMARY - BANTRY WWTP

#### 2.3.4.1 Treatment Efficiency Report - Bantry 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	N/A	N/A	N/A		
TN	N/A	N/A	N/A		
ss	64014	7019	89		
cBOD	68276	2882	96		

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)
COD	169514	26097	85

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

#### 2.3.4.2 Treatment Capacity Report Summary - Bantry 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.

Bantry WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m³/day) - As Constructed	4104
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	1386
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m³/day)	4772
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m³/day)	2064
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	6000
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)Note1	4148
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	1852
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.

# 2.3.5 SLUDGE / OTHER INPUTS - BANTRY 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.								

## **3 COMPLAINTS AND INCIDENTS**

#### 3.1 COMPLAINTS SUMMARY

A summary of complaints of an environmental nature related to the discharge(s) to water from the WWTP and network is included below.

Number of Complaints	Nature of Complaint	Number Open Complaints	Number Closed Complaints			
There were no relevant environmental complaints in 2023.						

#### 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 Uisce Éireann 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	Recurring (Y/N)	Closed (Y/N)	
Other	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	No	No	
Uncontrolled release	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	No	No	

# **3.2.2 SUMMARY OF OVERALL INCIDENTS**

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2023	2
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2023	2
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 Overflow (chamber) where applicable	Irish Grid Ref. (outfall)	Included in Schedule of the WWDL	Significance of the overflow(High / Medium / Low)	Assessed against DoEHLG Criteria	No. of times activated in 2023 (No. of events)	Total volume discharged in 2023 (m3)	Monitoring Status
твс	96802,48206 Yes		Low Significance	Not Meeting Criteria	Unknown	Unknown	Monitored
SW07	99761,48432 Yes		Low Significance	Not Meeting Criteria	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored
SW08	99632,48443	Yes	Low Significance	Not Meeting Criteria	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored
твс	99301,48615	Yes	Low Significance	Not Meeting Criteria	Unknown	Unknown	Not Monitored
твс	99288,48613	Yes	Low Significance	Not Meeting Criteria	Unknown	Unknown	Monitored

Any TBC SWO(s) were identified as part of the on-going National SWO programme and will be updated in subsequent AER(s) once the information is confirmed.

SWO Summary	
How much wastewater discharge by metered SWOs during the year (m3)?	153917
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?	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 a 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)	Description	Licence Schedule	Licence Completion Date	Date Expired? (N/NA/Y)	Status of Works	Timeframe for Completing the Work	Comments
D0168-SIP:01	Discontinue SW003 Secondary Discharge	С	31/12/2015	Yes	Not Started	2035	
D0168-SIP:02	Discontinue SW004 Secondary Discharge	С	31/12/2015	Yes	Not Started	2035	

A summary of the status of any other improvements identified by under Condition 5 assessments- is included below.

#### 4.2.2 IMPROVEMENT PROGRAMME SUMMARY

Improvement Identifier	Improvement Description / or any Operational Improvements	Improvement Source	Expected Completion Date	Comments	
No additional improvements planned at this time.					

#### **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 Tables 4.2.1 and 4.2.2.

# **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 a list of the various reports required for this agglomeration and a brief summary of their recommendations.

Licence Specific Report	Required by licence	Included in this AER
D0168-01-Priority Substances Assessment	Yes	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?	Yes
List reason e.g. additional SWO identified	To inlcude additional SWO identified and the removal of secondary discharge
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	N/A
List reason e.g. changes to monitoring requirements	N/A
Have these processes commenced?	Yes
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: 08/04/2024

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# **7 APPENDIX**

#### Appendix

Appendix 7.1 - Ambient monitoring summary

Appendix 7.2 - Other

#### **Ambient Points**

Ambient Monitoring Point from WWDL (or as agreed with EPA)	Irish Grid Reference	EPA Feature Coding Tool code	0	Vaters Design Drinking Water	nation (Y/N FWPM	) Shellfish	WFD Status
TW05003191IB1001	97751, 48958	TPEFF0500D0168SW001	No	No	No	Yes	High

#### **Ambient Impact Assessment Table**

Parameter Name	Upstream Monitoring Point Location	Upstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	Downstream Monitoring Point Location	Downstream Monitoring Point Annual Mean	EQS	%EQS
BOD - 5 days (total) mg/l	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	2.3	3	
E. Coli no./100mls	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	62.9		
Enterococci (Intestinal) no./100mls	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	157.7		
Faecal coliforms no./100mls	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	95.3		
Suspended Solids mg/l	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	17.5		
Dissolved Oxygen % saturation	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	262.8	80-120	
Ortho-Phosphate (as P) – unspecified mg/l	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	0.01	0.03	
рН	-	-	TW05003191IB1001	8		

#### **Ambient Raw Data**

Downstream												
Monitoring Point	Date	BOD - 5 days (Total) mg/l	Dissolved Oxygen % sat	E. Coli no./100mls	Enterococci (Intestinal) no./100mls	Faecal coliforms no./100mls	ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/I	рН	Suspended Solids mg/I			
TW05003191IB1001	11/01/2023	-	98.4	203	52	158	-	-	-			
	15/02/2023	-	100.8	5	5	10	-	-	-			
	15/03/2023	1.1	98.9	5	10	10	0.01	7.9	17			
	19/04/2023	-	-	20	5	121	-	-	-			
	10/05/2023	-	-	96	10	144	-	-	-			
	14/06/2023	0.5	97.6	10	10	5	0.01	8.1	18			
	19/07/2023	1	84.1	336	2	525	-	-	-			
	16/08/2023	1	96.1	20	10	63	-	-	-			
	13/09/2023	1.1	100.2	20	5	41	0.01	8	21			
	16/11/2023	2.5	86.6	14	980	6	0.01	7.9	14			
	30/11/2023	-	96	6	5	9	-	-	-			
	07/12/2023	-	203	20	798	52	-	-	-			
Mean		1.3	106.17	62.91666667	157.6666667	95.33333333	0.01	7.975	17.5			
95%ile		2.29	157.01	262.85	879.9	323.15	0.01	8.085	20.55			