Annual Environmental Report

2018

Pallaskenry

D0304-01

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1 EXECUTIVE SUMMARY AND INTRODUCTION TO THE 2018 AER

This Annual Environmental Report has been prepared for D0304-01, Pallaskenry, in Limerick 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 PALLASKENRY WWTP with a Plant Capacity PE of 2000. The treatment process includes the following:

1.2.1 PALLASKENRY WWTP

Treatment type	Yes / No	Details
Preliminary Treatment	Yes	Screening
Primary Treatment	No	
Secondary Treatment	Yes	SBR
Nutrient Removal	Yes	Phospherous
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 PALLASKENRY WWTP

Compliance Status	
Were all parameters compliant for PALLASKENRY 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
PALLASKENRY WWTP	Liquid Sludge	2032.14	Weight (Tonnes)	1	Limerick Main drainage D0013-01

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 - PALLASKENRY WWTP

Parameters	Number of Samples	Annual Max	Annual Mean
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	12	7.75	2.53
COD-Cr mg/l	12	503	162.24
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	12	271	67.34
Total Nitrogen mg/l	12	72.3	23.54
Suspended Solids mg/l	12	284	62.59
Hydraulic Capacity	0	1042	198

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 less than the peak Treatment Plant Capacity as detailed further in Section 3.2. The design of the wastewater tretament plant allows for peak values and therefore the peak loads have not impacted on compliance with Emission Limit Values.

2.2 Discharges from the agglomeration

2.2.1 Effluent Monitoring Summary - PALLASKENRY 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 exceedences	Number of with Condition 2 Interpretation included	Annual Mean	Overall Compliance (Pass/Fail)
pH pH units	0	0	0	11	0	0	7.46	Pass
Total Phosphorus (as P) mg/l	0	0	0	11	0	0	1.06	Pass
ortho-Phosphate (as P) - unspecified mg/l	3	3.6	0	11	1	0	0.43	Pass
Ammonia-Total (as N) mg/l	0	0	0	11	0	0	11.39	Pass
Total Nitrogen mg/l	0	0	0	11	0	0	16.93	Pass
BOD, 5 days with Inhibition (Carbonaceous BOD) mg/l	25	50	0	11	4	0	18.39	Fail
COD-Cr mg/l	125	250	0	11	2	0	71.45	Pass
Suspended Solids mg/l	35	87.5	0	11	6	2	53.66	Fail

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):

Biological sludge issue, inadequate infrastructure, plant breakdown and exceptional rainfall.

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 - PALLASKENRY 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	140612, 157931	TPEFF1900D0304SW001	No	No	No	No	Poor

2.3.2 Ambient Monitoring Parameter Summary - PALLASKENRY 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 do not have an observable impact on the water quality.

The discharge from the wastewater treatment plant do 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 - PALLASKENRY WWTP

Parameter	Influent mass loading (kg/year)	Effluent mass emission (kg/year)	Efficiency (% reduction of influent load)	Comment
SS	4629.03	4061.98	12.25	
TP	187.11	79.93	57.28	
cBOD	4980.61	1546.4	68.95	
TN	1741.42	1281.75	26.4	
COD	11999.34	5409.08	54.92	

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.

PALLASKENRY WWTP	
Peak Hydraulic Capacity (m3/day) - As Constructed	1200

PALLASKENRY WWTP	
DWF to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	460
Current Hydraulic Loading - annual max (m3/day)	1042
Average Hydraulic loading to the Treatment Plant (m3/day)	198
Organic Capacity (PE) - As Constructed	2000
Organic Capacity (PE) - Collected Load (peak week)	963
Organic Capacity (PE) - Remaining	1037
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
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)
Spillage	Inadequate Infrastructure	1	Yes	No
Uncontrolled release	SWO Exceptional rainfall	1	No	No
Non-compliance	SWO Exceptional rainfall	1	No	Yes
Non-compliance	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	Yes	Yes
Uncontrolled release	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	No	Yes
Uncontrolled release	Plant or equipment breakdown at WWTP	1	No	No
Non-compliance	WWTP biological sludge issue	1	Yes	No

3.4.2 Summary of Overall Incidents

Question	Answer
Number of Incidents in 2018	7
Number of Incidents reported to the EPA via EDEN in 2018	7
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

Input type	Quantity	Unit	P.E.	% of load to WWTP	Included in Influent Monitoring (Y/N)?[3]	Is there a leachate/sludge acceptance procedure for the WWTP?	Is there a dedicated leachate/sludge acceptance facility for the WWTP?[2](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
NONE	N/A	No	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?	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
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 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 Report	Required by licence	Year included in AER	Included in this AER	Reference to relevant section of AER (e.g. Appendix X).
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?	
List reason e.g. additional SWO identified	
Is there a need to request/advise the EPA of any modifications to the existing WWDL?	
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: 28/03/2019

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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Acting Head of Environmental Regulation.

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

Archived	Category	Entity	Entity Referenc	Station	Station Referen	Station Easting	Station Northin	Laboratory
Yes	Transition Wate	Upper Shannon	4128	U/S of Pallaske	TW03004128SI	140612	157931	Limerick City &
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River Basin Dist	Surface Waterb	Ground Waterb	Sample Templa	Sample Referer	Sample Date	Sample Time	Sample Metho	Sampled By
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18370919	13-Mar-2018	12:00	Grab	Peter McEvoy
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18371623	1-May-2018	12:00	Grab	Mary Hanly
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18373231	4-Sep-2018	12:00	Grab	Eithne Lynch
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18374360	13-Nov-2018	12:00	Grab	Mary Hanly

		Parameter	pH	Biological Oxyg	Dissolved Oxyg	Ortho-Phospha	Salinity	Visual Inspection
		Max.	14	--	--	--	--	--
		Min.	--	--	--	--	--	--
		Test Method	TM-CHEM-21	TM-CHEM-3	TM-CHEM-8	--	--	--
Reason	Comments	Analyst Conclus	pH units	mg/l	% O2	mg/l	ppt	Descriptive
Compliance	-	-	7.9	< 2	97.4	0.04	14.4	Clear
Compliance	-	-	7.9	< 2	96.3	0.021		
Compliance	-	-	8	< 1	95.9	0.046	25.1	
Compliance	-	-	8	< 2	92.3	0.024	20.3	

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Yes	Transition Wate	Upper Shannon	4128	u/s Foynes WD	TW03004128SI	135844	157038	Limerick City &
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Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18370835	6-Mar-2018	12:00	Grab	Niall Scanlan
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18370920	13-Mar-2018	12:00	Grab	Peter McEvoy
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18371624	1-May-2018	12:00	Grab	Mary Hanly
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18373232	4-Sep-2018	12:00	Grab	Eithne Lynch
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18373390	11-Sep-2018	12:00	Grab	Mary Hanly
Shannon	Transitional: Upper Shannon Es		WDL additional	18374361	13-Nov-2018	12:00	Grab	Mary Hanly

		Parameter	pH	Biological Oxyg	Dissolved Oxyg	Ortho-Phospha	Salinity	Visual Inspection
		Max.	14	--	--	--	--	--
		Min.	--	--	--	--	--	--
		Test Method	TM-CHEM-21	TM-CHEM-3	TM-CHEM-8	--	--	--
Reason	Comments	Analyst Conclus	pH units	mg/l	% O2	mg/l	ppt	Descriptive
Compliance	Clear. ok.	-	7.8	< 2	95	0.025		
Compliance	WDLE31	-	8	< 2	97.3	0.026	17.9	Clear
Compliance	WDLE31	-	7.9	< 2	96.6	0.018	19.7	
Compliance	WDLE31 - d/s P	-	8.1	< 1	108	0.034	26.6	
Compliance	WDLW 18	-	8	< 2	89.4	0.034		
Compliance	WDLE 31	-	8	< 2	93.7	0.024	24.2	