

Application SCR evaluation template

Name of activity, address and NGR	Slicker Recycling Ltd Lambourn Woodlands Waste Oil Storage Facility Lowesden Works Hungerford Berkshire RG17 7RY NGR: SU 32201 75985
Document reference of application SCR	---
Date and version of application SCR	Lowesden Business Park, Lambourn Woodlands Interpretive Report on Ground Investigation – dated October 2018 (application duly made 20/11/2018)

Surrender SCR Evaluation Template

If you haven't already completed previous sections 4.0 to 7.0, do so now before assessing the surrender.

8.0 Decommissioning and removal of pollution risk	
To be completed by EM/PPC officers	
Has the applicant demonstrated that decommissioning works have been undertaken and that all pollution risks associated with the site have been removed? Has any contamination of land that has occurred during these activities been investigated and remediated?	
<p>The None Technical Summary submitted with application S006 states that all permitted activities have ceased as of July 2018, and;</p> <p><i>“Whilst undertaking the surrender process, all site equipment, tanks, bunds, pumps and pipework has been removed and the site is secured and new locks fitted with keys circulated only to the senior management team and key contractors.</i></p> <p><i>The site has been operated in accordance with Slicker Recycling’s ISO 9001 Quality Management System and ISO 14001 Environmental Management System and OHSAS 18001, the Health and Safety Standard across all sites. Records from which identified 2 minor spills over the 10 years of operation in the area shown (WS118A) this corresponds with the findings of the soil survey and the agreed remedial action to remove contamination down to the underlying clay layer 0.6 – 1m below surface.”</i></p> <p>The Area officer confirmed in an email dated 11/01/19 hat they drove past the site on 10/01/18 and are satisfied that the surrender notice can be issued.</p>	

9.0 Reference data and remediation (where relevant)

To be completed by GWCL officers

Has the applicant provided details of any surrender reference data that they have collected and any remediation that they have undertaken?

(Reference data for soils must meet the requirements of policy 307_03 Chemical test data on contaminated soils – quantification requirements). If the surrender reference data shows that the condition of the land has changed as a result of the permitted activities, the applicant will need to undertake remediation to return the condition of the land back to that at permit issue. You should not require remediation of historic contamination or contamination arising from non-permitted activities as part of the permit surrender.

Some baseline data was included in the SCR dated October 2018, section 5.5 for 'Indications of Contamination'. This section referred to olfactory or visual indications of contamination. Table 5 shows visual or olfactory indications of contamination (2018), and Table 6 shows visual or olfactory indications of contamination (2006). Section 6 of the SCR Geoenvironmental Assessment contains a comparison of laboratory test results from 2018 and 2006. The Non-Technical summary submitted with the application S006, notes that the site has been operational as a waste oil facility since 2007 and before that, it was an oil distribution centre for oil and fuels and historically part of the Ministry of Defence Estate. The whole industrial estate was surveyed by Structural Soils in 2006 for the previous landowner, and levels of hydrocarbons were determined, which the operator has included in the SCR (pages 9 and 10, item 7) and confirmed the site, whilst suitable for commercial use, was brownfield. The site has been permitted to store waste oil since 2007.

Although there have been no know pollution incidents on site, the Non-Technical summary submitted with application S006 notes that one sample taken at the site centre levels of hydrocarbons were slightly raised compared with historic levels and it was agreed (with the Environment Agency) that the area surrounding the sample point (fig 1 and WS118A) would be removed for off site remediation and back filled with clean aggregate.

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10.0a Statement of site condition

To be completed by EM/PPC officers

Has the applicant provided a statement, backed up with evidence, confirming that the permitted activities have ceased, decommissioning works are complete and that pollution risk has been removed and that the land and waters at the site are in a satisfactory state?

See section 8.0 of this document.

An email dated 18/12/18 from the PPC officer states that:

"I visited the site this morning to check on the remediation. I am happy that this has been done well – I am waiting for the final information but it is estimated that between 50-60 tonnes of soils have been removed from the site in order to remove oil contamination around the rainwater sump tank and from the ground surface in front of where the tanks used to sit. The excavated areas have been backfilled with type 1 aggregate and I am satisfied that this has removed the areas that may have been contaminated with oils (relative to the original baseline information pre-permit).

All tanks, pipework and other equipment has been removed from site and a truck was due in today to take the final mound of soils."

Photographs were attached.

The Area officer confirmed in an email dated 11/01/19 that they drove past the site on 10/01/18 and are satisfied that the surrender notice can be issued.

10.0b Statement of site condition

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Has the applicant provided a statement, backed up with evidence, confirming that the permitted activities have ceased, decommissioning works are complete and that pollution risk has been removed and that the land and waters at the site are in a satisfactory state?

See 10.0a

Surrender SCR decision summary

To be completed by GWCL officers and returned to NPS

**Tick
relevant
decision**

Sufficient information has been supplied to show that pollution risk has been removed and that the site is in a satisfactory state – accept the application to surrender the permit; or

✓

Insufficient information has been supplied to show that pollution risk has been removed or that the site is in a satisfactory state – do not accept the application to surrender the permit. The following information must to be obtained from the applicant before the permit is determined:

Date and name of reviewer

Christine
Sellers

15/01/2018