

Permitting decisions- Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for Littlebrook Power Station operated by Bericote Properties Limited.

The permit number is [EPR/XP3837YZ/S004](#)

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid any pollution risk and to return the site to a satisfactory state. We consider in reaching this decision that we have taken into account all relevant considerations and legal requirements.

Purpose of this document

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- highlights [key issues](#) in the determination
- summarises the decision-making process in the [decisions considerations](#) section to show how all relevant factors have been taken into account

Read the permitting decisions in conjunction with the environmental permit.

Key issues of the decision

This surrender is for the final permitted area referred to as Phase 3. The power station was decommissioned in March 2015 with partial surrenders granted to Phase 1 and 2 in October 2019. Phase 2b was surrendered in December 2021.

Phase 3 comprises the remainder of the western portion of the site consisting of the cooling tower, pumping systems, manifold, heat exchangers, trash screens, surface water drainage interceptors and inlet and outlet infrastructure which has been demolished and backfilled. Drainage discharge points W4, W5 and W6 are surrendered with the application. The drainage infrastructure remains ready for proposed future developments.

Decision considerations

Confidential information

A claim for commercial or industrial confidentiality has not been made.

The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on confidentiality.

Identifying confidential information

We have not identified information provided as part of the application that we consider to be confidential.

The decision was taken in accordance with our guidance on confidentiality.

Pollution risk

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to avoid a pollution risk resulting from the operation of the regulated facility.

Satisfactory state

We are satisfied that the necessary measures have been taken to return the site of the regulated facility to a satisfactory state, having regard to the state of the site before the facility was put into operation.

Growth duty

We have considered our duty to have regard to the desirability of promoting economic growth set out in section 108(1) of the Deregulation Act 2015 and the guidance issued under section 110 of that Act in deciding whether to accept this permit surrender.