

Permitting decisions- Surrender

We have decided to accept the surrender of the permit for St Helens Electrical Recycling Facility operated by Shore Recycling Limited.

The permit number is EPR-DP3909LG.

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

This decision document provides a record of the decision making process. It summarises the decision-making process to show how the main relevant factors have been taken into account.

Read the permitting decisions in conjunction with the environmental permit.

Decision considerations

Confidential information

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

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.

St Helens Recycling Facility was first granted an installation permit in 2009. During its lifetime, the recycling facility processed refrigerators, Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE) and Cathode Ray Tubes (CRT). The site was partially cleared prior to the transfer of the permit to Shore Recycling Limited in 2020.

Shore Recycling Limited did not carry out waste operations at the site after 2020 and requested to surrender their permit. An initial site inspection carried out in November 2021 concluded that the site was eligible for a low risk surrender based on the types of waste accepted and the pollution control measures in place for the duration of the permit.

A further site inspection in April 2022 confirmed that the site had been cleared to a satisfactory condition for surrender.

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.