



Non-Technical Summary

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1. INTRODUCTION

This document is the Non-Technical Summary (NTS) that accompanies the application for a bespoke environmental permit at the site located on Touchet Hall Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 2YX. The site is located at National Grid Reference SD 88847 07317.

The application has been prepared by Wiser Environment Limited on behalf of the applicant GXO UK Logistics Ltd. GXO are a logistics company providing services to, amongst others, the hospitality sector. To this end, as part of servicing these contracts, small amounts of waste are generated and returned to the depot where they are bulked before onward transfer to suitably permitted facilities.

This NTS summarises the proposed scope of the activities to be regulated under a Bespoke Environmental Permit and should be read in conjunction with the other supporting documents included within the application.

The facility to be operated at Middleton is effectively a replacement for the site currently operated at Oceans Estate, Trafford Park Road, Trafford Park, Manchester, M17 1AS which operates on a combination of waste exemptions as well as an Environmental Permit (EPR/KB3305KZ). This new application will consolidate these activities into one permit at the new facility, prior to the formal surrender of the Oceans Estate permit.

The application will permit the following activities:

- Cardboard waste – bulked and baled prior to dispatch.
- Plastics – packaging and containers, bulked and baled prior to dispatch.
- Aluminium/metal tins, cans – sorted, bulked prior to dispatch.
- Glass – bulked prior to dispatch.
- Waste Oil – received in containers, bulked and palletised prior to dispatch.
- Food Waste – received in totes, bulked and stored within dedicated building prior to dispatch.

2. APPLICATION

The application is for a Bespoke Environmental Permit, to permit a waste transfer station located at Touchet Hall Road, Middleton, Manchester, M24 2YX. The site is located at National Grid Reference SD 88847 07317.

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2.1. Site Location

The site is located within a commercial area in the Middleton area of Greater Manchester and accessed via Touchet Hall Road. The centre of Manchester is located approximately 10 km SSW whilst the towns of Middleton and Oldham are 2 km south-west and 4.5 km south-east respectively. The nearest main road is the A627 located approximately 1 km east.

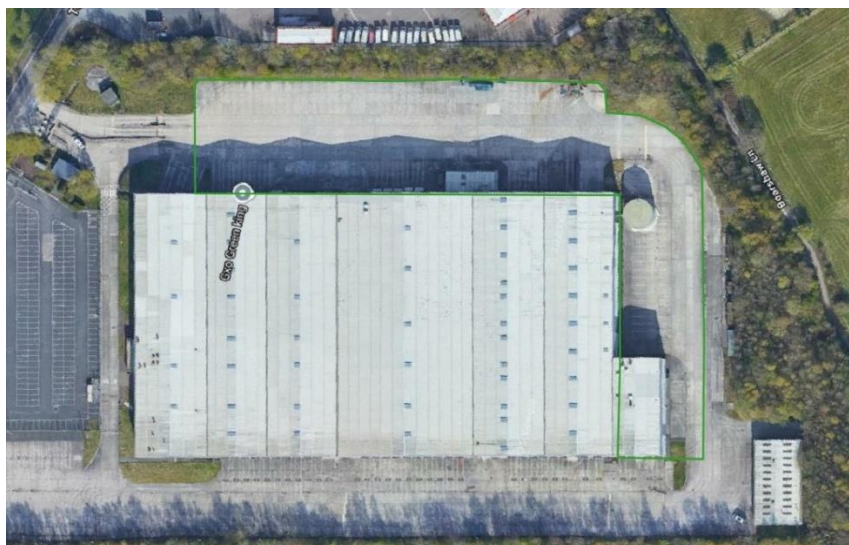


Figure 1 Aerial image of the site, showing the permit boundary in green

2.2. Environmental Setting

The environmental setting of the site is summarised in Table 1. A more detailed description of the site setting can be found in the Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) (K547.1~09~004).

Table 1 Summary of Site Setting

RECEPTOR	DESCRIPTION AND LOCATION
Humans and Property	<p>The nearest residential land use (ID1) is approximately 155 m SE of the permit boundary shown on the Site Setting Plan (K547.1~20~002) The large proportion of the residential areas are towards the south of the permit boundary comprising of high-density estate housing.</p> <p>Immediate land use is commercial as the site is located within an established industrial area.</p>
Surface Water	<p>The nearest water body is Rochdale Canal approximately 320 m NW of site. Whit Brook and Trub Brook are located 630 m and 1.05 km respectively from site.</p>
Groundwater	<p>Site is situated on a Secondary A bedrock aquifer, defined as a former minor aquifer.</p> <p>Site is underlain by a Secondary A superficial aquifer, which is also classed as a former minor aquifer.</p>
Designated Sites	<p>Rochdale Canal is classified as a SSSI (320 m) from site. Two LNRs are located 1 km NNW of site. Another LNR is located at Hopwood Hall College approximately 1.45 km.</p>
Non-Statutory Designated Sites	<p>There is a Historic Parkland located at Manchester Golf Club approximately 900 m NNW from site.</p>
Geology	<p>Site is underlain by Pennine Lower Coal measures made up of mudstone, siltstone and sandstone deposits. These deposits are from the Carboniferous age.</p> <p>Superficial geology is classified as Till, Devensian-Diamicton originating from the Quaternary period of glacial origin.</p>
Flooding	<p>Site is not at risk of flooding from rivers and sea, located in Flood Zone 1.</p> <p>From surface water flooding the highest risk on site is from a 1 in 30 year event, between 0.1m – 0.3m. Site has a low risk from groundwater flooding.</p>

3. PERMITTED OPERATIONS

Site shall operate as a waste transfer station, receiving small quantities of waste from facilitating contracts with Greene King. Primarily, these wastes will relate to cardboard and plastic packaging, aluminium and metal cans/tins, glass, waste oil and food waste (non-hazardous). A full list of waste will be included as part of the submission.

Wastes are stored within containers, internally and externally but in small quantities and subject to short turnaround times from initial acceptance onto site until dispatch.

Regular operating hours are Monday to Saturday (0600 – 2200). There will be occurrences in busy periods where Sunday working or overnight works are undertaken, but this will not be on a regular basis. The co-located distribution centre, although not within the scope of this permit, operates on a 24/7 basis.

3.1. Waste Acceptance

All deliveries are pre-booked, from known sources (Greene King contracts) therefore the prospect of any non-conforming waste is limited. All staff collecting and receiving waste are fully trained in identifying non-conforming materials at the collection point. A waste tracking system is utilised to document and manage waste transfer notes and number of totes collected (and whether $\frac{1}{4}$ full, $\frac{1}{2}$ full against the relevant EWC code).

Wastes accepted consist of cardboard and plastic packaging, aluminium and metal cans/tins, glass, waste oil and food waste (non-hazardous).

Wastes are accepted within cages (cardboard and plastic), totes (tins/cans, food, glass) and already containerised (waste oil). At the initial waste acceptance area (see Site Layout Plan (K547.1~20~004), totes will be unloaded and the contents separated into dolav containers before plant takes these to dedicated storage areas.

In the case of tins/cans and glass, the dolavs are emptied into 40 yard skips; food waste is stored within the totes in sealed, biodegradable, food-grade bags. These are emptied into dolavs before these are loaded onto trailers into the dedicated food waste storage building. Empty totes are washed using the dedicated plant before storage in empties area prior to redistribution to pubs.

Cardboard, plastics and waste oil are taken to a further waste processing area where they are unloaded onto conveyors prior to sorting and baling for cardboard and plastic whilst waste oil is loaded onto pallets and wrapped prior to dispatch. Given the limited quantities of waste accepted, any feedstock is usually processed the same day and shall be stored within two

curtain side trailers prior to dispatch. Currently, dispatch of waste is undertaken three times per week, meaning that any waste stored is kept to a minimum.

The Management System Summary (MSS) (K547.1~09~002) describes the Waste Acceptance Procedure for the site.

3.2. Waste Processing

The only 'processing' of waste undertaken is the baling of cardboard and plastics prior to dispatch. No treatment beyond this is undertaken on site to any of the accepted waste streams.

Site does undertake some washing of containers (totes) in which food wastes and other streams are received. This is undertaken by dedicated plant, which recirculates water used before eventual discharge to a foul sewer connection under a trade effluent consent. The same consent covers the discharge from vehicle washing which is undertaken in a purpose-built bay with dedicated drainage system.

3.3. Site Management

The operator, GXO UK Logistics Ltd, shall manage and operate the activities:

- a) in accordance with a written management system that identifies and minimises risks of pollution, including those arising from operations, maintenance, accidents, incidents, non-conformances, closure and those drawn to the attention of the operator as a result of complaints;
- b) using sufficient competent persons and resources, and
- c) with records demonstrating compliance.

Any person having duties that are or may be affected by the matters set out in the Environmental Permit shall have access to a copy of it.

The operator shall comply with the requirements of an approved competence scheme.

4. RISK ASSESSMENT & MANAGEMENT

An Environmental Risk Assessment (ERA) (K547.1~09~004) is included within the application pack. The ERA details the key management measures for the protection of the environment, with regards to emissions to surface water, groundwater, land, and air (including noise and odour).

The site is operated by GXO UK Logistics Ltd, a Management System Summary (MSS) (K547.1~09~002) has been developed and is included within the application pack to reflect and control site operations, environmental management, emissions and monitoring. The MSS defines operational and maintenance procedures and details requirements in the event of an accident or incident.

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