

Mayflower London

Non-Technical Application Summary

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1. Introduction

- 1.1. This application is being made by Mayflower Hygiene Supplies Ltd for a Site Environmental Permit.
- 1.2. The site proposes to operate as a waste transfer station with a maximum throughput of 1000 tonnes each year. Mayflower's fleet of service vehicles will collect offensive waste and non-hazardous sharps wastes from our customers for temporary storage pending recovery or disposal to licenced third party facilities.
- 1.3. The site address is; 208a & b Westminster Industrial Estate, Warspite Road, Woolwich, London SE18 5NU.
- 1.4. Access and egress is via either Westfield Street or Bowater Road, off Warspite Road which in turn leads directly off the A206, a main trunk route.
- 1.5. The site is located on an industrial park with properties in the immediate area being industrial and commercial in operation. The closest residential properties to the facility are on Harlinger St., approx. 75m away to the NE, with the Southeastern train line from Cannon Street to Kent a further 100m away on the far side of the A206 and the Thames Barrier 500m to the NW. London City Airport is located over 1km away to the N.
- 1.6. All the vulnerable receptors in close proximity to the site have been identified;
 - -the River Thames is less than 200m to the N. This is designated as a Local Wildlife Site (LWS) and also is an important route for various migratory species of fish (smelt and altantic salmon) and other aquatic species (eels and lamprey.)
 - -Gilbert's Pit, a site of special scientific interest (SSSI), is located 450m away to the SW

2. Waste Acceptance

- 2.1. Only waste permitted by the Environmental Permit will be accepted at the site. Any non-permitted waste will be rejected from the site immediately (if possible), if not it will be quarantined and subsequently removed from site via an appropriate waste carrier.
- 2.2. All waste arriving at the site is subject to visual inspection (within the remit of HTM-07) by Mayflower collection operatives and periodically checked and inspected by the site manager.
- 2.3. Where the waste collected is from customers operating in the Healthcare sector, pre-acceptance audits will be completed ref. Healthcare Wastes: Appropriate measures for permitted facilities.
- 2.4. All waste deliveries to site are via the Mayflower/PHS collection fleet, operated by trained employees to ensure that waste collections are in line with permitted waste types. No third-party waste deliveries are accepted on site.

3. Waste Storage

- 3.1. The transfer station will accept waste in line with the permit as outlined in Appendix H, as included with this application.
- 3.2. Wastes are manually unloaded from the rear of the Mayflower vehicle and segregated into their respective storage locations. Offensive waste sacks are placed in 1100litre lockable Euro wheelie bins and non-hazardous sharps, packaged in rigid containers, are placed in a separate, lockable 770ltr Euro wheelie bin.
- 3.3. All Euro wheelie bins are then stored in a secure location pending collection.
- 3.4. This storage approach reduces the potential for odour, dust, risk of infection, fire risk, pest infestations, as well as minimising the opportunity for litter to escape beyond the site boundary.
- 3.5. All wastes accepted at site are managed on a first in first out (FIFO) basis to ensure a quick turnaround of waste on site.

4. Site Design, Maintenance and Housekeeping

- 4.1. The site has been designed and arranged to comply with all regulatory requirements and relevant guidance. A robust programme of site maintenance will be carried out to ensure that we minimise the environmental risks associated with the operation of our site.
- 4.2. Daily inspections will be carried out by the site manager (or appointed deputy) to ensure that all site maintenance and housekeeping controls remain effective in order to minimise the environmental impact of the site.
- 4.3. Mayflower is committed to maintaining the highest standards of compliance at its sites and will undertake all its activities in a manner consistent with industry best practice.

5. Site Security

- 5.1. Mayflower recognises that the results of vandalism and arson on its site could have a significant impact on the local community as well as the wider environment. As such we have robust security arrangements at the site to reduce the potential of vandalism/arson. The measures implemented on site include a secure boundary fence, locked gate at the entrance to the site, an intruder alarm within the building and CCTV around the site.
- 5.2. The storage of waste on site within secured Euro wheelie bins also aids in reducing the potential from generating a fire from arson as this will not easily be set alight.

6. Pollution Prevention

6.1. All waste transfer operations will take place within the permitted area. Mayflower also provides spill kits to ensure any waste spilt during transfer operations is collected and appropriately repackaged immediately. This will ensure that any spillage is unable to find a pathway to land and cause pollution.

7. Environmental Management System

- 7.1. Mayflower has appropriate management in place and operates the site in accordance with its Environmental Management System.
- 7.2. The site is certified to both the ISO14001 and ISO9001 standards.