



Notice of variation and consolidation with introductory note

The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016

SUEZ RECYCLING AND RECOVERY KIRKLEES LTD

Vine Street MRF
Vine Street
Huddersfield
West Yorkshire
HD1 6NT

Variation application number

EPR/XP3792ZK/V004

Permit number

EPR/XP3792ZK

Vine Street MRF

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Introductory note

This introductory note does not form a part of the permit

Under the Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2016 (schedule 5, part 1, paragraph 19) a variation may comprise a consolidated permit reflecting the variations and a notice specifying the variations included in that consolidated permit.

Schedule 1 of the notice specifies the conditions that have been varied and schedule 2 comprises a consolidated permit which reflects the variations being made. All the conditions of the permit have been varied and are subject to the right of appeal.

This Environment Agency has a duty, under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016, regulation 34(1), to periodically review permits. As part of this variation, we have reviewed the permit and made the changes to necessarily reflect current standards and best practice, which principally relate to the implementation of our technical guidance 'Non-hazardous and inert waste: appropriate measures for permitted facilities'.

The 'Non-hazardous and inert waste: appropriate measures for permitted facilities' guidance was published on the GOV.UK website on 12 July 2021 (updated on 8 December 2022 and 1 August 2023). This guidance sets out the standards that are relevant to regulated facilities with a permit to store, treat or transfer (or both) non-hazardous and inert wastes.

The main features of the site are as follows.

The regulated facility comprises of a Materials Recycling Facility (MRF), which undertakes sorting, separation, screening, and baling of waste, amongst others. The maximum annual throughput for the site is 74,999 tonnes. All working areas of the site are surfaced with concrete. The site is located in a largely industrial area, but there are multiple residential receptors within 250m, with the closest property being 82m from the site. The Sir John Ramsden Canal is directly adjacent to the site. The site's Environmental Management System (EMS) has been certified under ISO 14001, ISO 9001 and ISO 45001 standards, as part of SUEZ's overarching Integrated Management System.

The schedules specify the changes made to the permit.

The status log of the permit sets out the permitting history, including any changes to the permit reference number.

Status log of the permit		
Description	Date	Comments
Waste Management Licence EAWML 65286	31/03/03	Original permit issued to SITA (Kirklees) Limited.
Modification to Waste Management Licence EAWML 65286	23/05/06	Increase in tonnages from 24,999 to 74,999 annually.
Variation EPR/XP3792ZK/V003 (Formerly EAWML 65286)	30/06/16	Request from operator to update the company name from SITA (Kirklees) Limited to SUEZ Recycling and Recovery Kirklees Ltd and the first line of their registered office address from SITA House to SUEZ House. Notice of variation issued.
Regulation 61 Notice sent to operator	05/07/24	Regulation 61 Notice requiring information for statutory review of permit.
Regulation 61 Notice response	04/10/24	Response received from the operator.
EA Initiated Variation EPR/XP3792ZK/V004 (variation and consolidation)	Environment Agency Initiated Variation	Statutory review of permit.
Additional information received	19/12/24	Information received including: treatment capacity, storage capacity, waste acceptance, separation of permitted activities, and revised site plans.
Additional information received	30/01/25	Postcode confirmed.
Additional information received	18/02/25	Information received including: details on specific waste codes, revised site plans, and address details.
Additional information received	21/02/25	Information received including administrative details and confirmation that 20 03 07 (bulky waste) can be removed from the permit.
Additional information received	25/02/25	Revised site plan.
Additional information received	09/04/25	Revised site plan.
Environment Agency Non- hazardous & Inert Waste Treatment Sector Review Permit reviewed Variation determined EPR/XP3792ZK	30/07/2025	Varied and consolidated permit issued.

End of introductory note

Notice of variation and consolidation

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

The Environment Agency in exercise of its powers under regulation 20 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 varies EPR/XP3792ZK

Permit number

EPR/XP3792ZK

Issued to

SUEZ RECYCLING AND RECOVERY KIRKLEES LTD ("the operator"),

whose registered office is

**Suez House
Grenfell Road
Maidenhead
Berkshire
SL6 1ES**

company registration number 03497105

to operate a waste operation at

**Vine Street MRF
Vine Street
Huddersfield
West Yorkshire
HD1 6NT**

to the extent set out in the schedules.

The notice shall take effect from 30/07/2025

Name	Date
Laura Asbury	30/07/2025

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

Schedule 1

All conditions have been varied by the consolidated permit as a result of an Environment Agency initiated variation.

Schedule 2 – consolidated permit

Consolidated permit issued as a separate document.

Permit

The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016

Permit number

EPR/XP3792ZK

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Conditions

1 Management

1.1 General management

- 1.1.1 The operator 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; and
 - (b) using sufficient competent persons and resources.
- 1.1.2 Records demonstrating compliance with condition 1.1.1 shall be maintained.
- 1.1.3 Any person having duties that are or may be affected by the matters set out in this permit shall have convenient access to a copy of it kept at or near the place where those duties are carried out.
- 1.1.4 The operator shall comply with the requirements of an approved competence scheme.

1.2 Avoidance, recovery and disposal of wastes produced by the activities

- 1.2.1 The operator shall take appropriate measures to ensure that:
- (a) the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4 of the Waste Framework Directive is applied to the generation of waste by the activities; and
 - (b) any waste generated by the activities is treated in accordance with the waste hierarchy referred to in Article 4 of the Waste Framework Directive; and
 - (c) where disposal is necessary, this is undertaken in a manner which minimises its impact on the environment.
- 1.2.2 The operator shall review and record at least every four years whether changes to those measures should be made and take any further appropriate measures identified by a review.

2 Operations

2.1 Permitted activities

- 2.1.1 The operator is only authorised to carry out the activities specified in schedule 1 table S1.1 (the “activities”).

2.2 The site

- 2.2.1 The activities shall not extend beyond the site, being the land shown edged in green on the site plan at schedule 7 to this permit.

2.3 Operating techniques

- 2.3.1 The activities shall, subject to the conditions of this permit, be operated using the techniques and in the manner described in the documentation specified in schedule 1, table S1.2, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

- 2.3.2 If notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution, the operator shall submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a revision of any plan or other documentation ("plan") specified in schedule 1, table S1.2 or otherwise required under this permit which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution relevant to that plan, and shall implement the approved revised plan in place of the original from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

2.4 Waste acceptance

- 2.4.1 Waste shall only be accepted if:

- (a) it is of a type and quantity listed in schedule 2 table S2.1; and
- (b) it conforms to the description in the transfer documentation supplied by the producer and holder.

3 Emissions and monitoring

3.1 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits

- 3.1.1 Emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits (excluding odour) shall not cause pollution. The operator shall not be taken to have breached this condition if appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved emissions management plan, have been taken to prevent or where that is not practicable, to minimise, those emissions.
- 3.1.2 The operator shall:
- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, an emissions management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits;
 - (b) implement the approved emissions management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

3.2 Odour

- 3.2.1 Emissions from the activities shall be free from odour at levels likely to cause pollution outside the site, as perceived by an authorised officer of the Environment Agency, unless the operator has used appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved odour management plan, to prevent or where that is not practicable to minimise the odour.
- 3.2.2 The operator shall:
- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution outside the site due to odour, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, an odour management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from odour;
 - (b) implement the approved odour management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

3.3 Noise and vibration

- 3.3.1 Emissions from the activities shall be free from noise and vibration at levels likely to cause pollution outside the site, as perceived by an authorised officer of the Environment Agency, unless the operator has used appropriate measures, including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved noise and vibration management plan to prevent or where that is not practicable to minimise the noise and vibration.

3.3.2 The operator shall:

- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to pollution outside the site due to noise and vibration, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a noise and vibration management plan which identifies and minimises the risks of pollution from noise and vibration;
- (b) implement the approved noise and vibration management plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

3.4 Fire prevention

3.4.1 The operator shall take all appropriate measures to prevent fires on site and minimise the risk of pollution from them including, but not limited to, those specified in any approved fire prevention plan.

3.4.2 The operator shall:

- (a) if notified by the Environment Agency that the activities are giving rise to a risk of fire, submit to the Environment Agency for approval within the period specified, a fire prevention plan which prevents fires and minimises the risk of pollution from fires;
- (b) implement the fire prevention plan, from the date of approval, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

4 Information

4.1 Records

4.1.1 All records required to be made by this permit shall:

- (a) be legible;
- (b) be made as soon as reasonably practicable;
- (c) if amended, be amended in such a way that the original and any subsequent amendments remain legible, or are capable of retrieval; and
- (d) be retained, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency, for at least 6 years from the date when the records were made, or in the case of the following records until permit surrender:
 - (i) off-site environmental effects; and
 - (ii) matters which affect the condition of the land and groundwater.

4.1.2 The operator shall keep on site all records, plans and the management system required to be maintained by this permit, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Environment Agency.

4.2 Reporting

4.2.1 The operator shall send all reports and notifications required by the permit to the Environment Agency using the contact details supplied in writing by the Environment Agency.

4.2.2 Within one month of the end of each quarter, the operator shall submit to the Environment Agency using the form made available for the purpose, the information specified on the form relating to the site and the waste accepted and removed from it during the previous quarter.

4.3 Notifications

4.3.1 The Environment Agency shall be notified without delay following the detection of:

- (a) any malfunction, breakdown or failure of equipment or techniques, accident, or emission of a substance not controlled by an emission limit which has caused, is causing or may cause significant pollution;
 - (b) the breach of a limit specified in the permit; or
 - (c) any significant adverse environmental effects.
- 4.3.2 Any information provided under condition 4.3.1 shall be confirmed by sending the information listed in schedule 5 to this permit within the time period specified in that schedule.
- 4.3.3 Where the Environment Agency has requested in writing that it shall be notified when the operator is to undertake monitoring and/or spot sampling, the operator shall inform the Environment Agency when the relevant monitoring and/or spot sampling is to take place. The operator shall provide this information to the Environment Agency at least 14 days before the date the monitoring is to be undertaken.
- 4.3.4 The Environment Agency shall be notified within 14 days of the occurrence of the following matters, except where such disclosure is prohibited by Stock Exchange rules:
- Where the operator is a registered company:
- (a) any change in the operator's trading name, registered name or registered office address; and
 - (b) any steps taken with a view to the operator going into administration, entering into a company voluntary arrangement or being wound up.
- Where the operator is a corporate body other than a registered company:
- (a) any change in the operator's name or address; and
 - (b) any steps taken with a view to the dissolution of the operator.
- In any other case:
- (a) the death of any of the named operators (where the operator consists of more than one named individual);
 - (b) any change in the operator's name(s) or address(es); and
 - (c) any steps taken with a view to the operator, or any one of them, going into bankruptcy, entering into a composition or arrangement with creditors, or, in the case of them being in a partnership, dissolving the partnership.
- 4.3.5 Where the operator proposes to make a change in the nature or functioning, or an extension of the activities, which may have consequences for the environment and the change is not otherwise the subject of an application for approval under the Regulations or this permit:
- (a) the Environment Agency shall be notified at least 14 days before making the change; and
 - (b) the notification shall contain a description of the proposed change in operation.

4.4 Interpretation

- 4.4.1 In this permit the expressions listed in schedule 6 shall have the meaning given in that schedule.
- 4.4.2 In this permit references to reports and notifications mean written reports and notifications, except where reference is made to notification being made "without delay", in which case it may be provided by telephone.

Schedule 1 – Operations

Table S1.1 activities – Materials Recycling Facility (MRF)		
Activity reference	Description of specified activity and WFD Annex I and II operations	Limits of specified activity and waste types
AR1	Physical Treatment of non hazardous waste R3: Recycling/reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents R4: Recycling/reclamation of metals and metal compounds R5: Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials	Treatment operations shall be limited to sorting, separation, screening, baling, and compaction of non-hazardous waste for disposal (no more than 50 tonnes per day) or recovery. Treatment shall take place in a building on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage. Waste types suitable for treatment are limited to those non-hazardous wastes specified in table S2.1.
	Storage of waste R13: Storage of waste pending the operations numbered R3, R4 and R5 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where it is produced).	Secure storage of waste listed in table S2.1 shall take place in a building on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage. Waste types suitable for storage are limited to those non-hazardous wastes specified in table S2.1. No more than 530 tonnes of waste shall be stored at any one time. No waste shall be stored for longer than 6 months.

Table S1.2 Operating techniques

Description	Parts	Date Received
Non-hazardous and inert waste: appropriate measures for permitted facilities Version published 12 July 2021 Updated 1 August 2023	All parts of the appropriate measures guidance shall apply other than: - those parts listed below which are not applicable; The following parts of the appropriate measures guidance are not applicable: - General Management Appropriate Measures – - Measure 2.4.8 contingency planning for end of waste materials. - Waste Storage, Segregation and Handling Appropriate Measures: - Measure 4.9 Refuse Derived Fuel (RDF) and Solid Recovered Fuel (SRF) storage. - Measure 4.10 RDF and SRF wrapping and storage. - Waste Treatment Appropriate Measures: - Measure 5.1 categorising outputs of soil and aggregate washing. - Measure 5.2.3 end-of-waste output storage. - Measure 5.3 handling or treating waste for landfill. - Emissions Control Appropriate Measures - Measure 6.1.10 acoustic seals. - Measure 6.2.1 Volatile Organic Compounds (VOCs) identification. - Measure 6.2.4 assessing the location of vents and stacks. - Measure 6.3.7 litter fencing and micro-netting if unloading outdoors. - Measure 6.3.12 washing empty vehicles egressing site - Measure 6.3.16-18 noise and vibration management plan. - Measure 6.4 point source emissions to water - Emissions Monitoring and Limits Appropriate Measures - Measure 7.1.1 inventory of point source emission to air. - Measure 7.1.2 fugitive emissions of dust and particulates. - Measure 7.1.3 monitoring of dust for a dust management plan - Measure 7.2.1-4 Medium Combustion Plant (MCP) - Measure 7.3 emissions to water and sewer.	04/10/24

Schedule 2 – Waste types

Table S2.1 Permitted waste types and quantities for the Material Recycling Facility	
Maximum quantity	The total quantity of waste accepted at the site for activity A1 shall be no more than 74,999 tonnes a year.
Exclusions	Wastes having any of the following characteristics shall not be accepted: • Consisting solely or mainly of dusts, powders or loose fibres • Wastes that are in a form which is either sludge or liquid • Hazardous waste;
Waste code	Description
03	Wastes from wood processing and the production of panels and furniture, pulp, paper and cardboard
03 03	wastes from pulp, paper and cardboard production and processing
03 03 08	wastes from sorting of paper and cardboard destined for recycling
07	Wastes from organic chemical processes
07 02	wastes from the MFSU of plastics, synthetic rubber and man-made fibres
07 02 13	waste plastic
15	Waste packaging; absorbents, wiping cloths, filter materials and protective clothing not otherwise specified
15 01	packaging (including separately collected municipal packaging waste)
15 01 01	paper and cardboard packaging
15 01 02	plastic packaging
15 01 04	metallic packaging
15 01 06	mixed packaging
19	Wastes from waste management facilities, off-site waste water treatment plants and the preparation of water intended for human consumption and water for industrial use
19 12	wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified
19 12 01	paper and cardboard
19 12 02	ferrous metal
19 12 03	non-ferrous metal
19 12 04	plastic and rubber
20	Municipal wastes (household waste and similar commercial, industrial and institutional wastes) including separately collected fractions
20 01	separately collected fractions (except 15 01)
20 01 01	paper and cardboard
20 01 39	plastics
20 01 40	metals
20 03	other municipal wastes
20 03 01	mixed municipal waste
20 03 02	waste from markets

Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring

There are no emission limits or monitoring requirements.

Schedule 4 – Reporting

There is no reporting under this schedule.

Schedule 5 – Notification

These pages outline the information that the operator must provide.

Units of measurement used in information supplied under Part A and B requirements shall be appropriate to the circumstances of the emission. Where appropriate, a comparison should be made of actual emissions and authorised emission limits.

If any information is considered commercially confidential, it should be separated from non-confidential information, supplied on a separate sheet and accompanied by an application for commercial confidentiality under the provisions of the EP Regulations.

Part A

Permit Number	
Name of operator	
Location of Facility	
Time and date of the detection	

(a) Notification requirements for any malfunction, breakdown or failure of equipment or techniques, accident, or emission of a substance not controlled by an emission limit which has caused, is causing or may cause significant pollution

To be notified within 24 hours of detection

Date and time of the event	
Reference or description of the location of the event	
Description of where any release into the environment took place	
Substance(s) potentially released	
Best estimate of the quantity or rate of release of substances	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop any emission	
Description of the failure or accident.	

(b) Notification requirements for the breach of a limit

To be notified within 24 hours of detection unless otherwise specified below

Emission point reference/ source	
Parameter(s)	
Limit	
Measured value and uncertainty	
Date and time of monitoring	

(b) Notification requirements for the breach of a limit	
To be notified within 24 hours of detection unless otherwise specified below	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to stop the emission	

Time periods for notification following detection of a breach of a limit	
Parameter	Notification period

(c) Notification requirements for the detection of any significant adverse environmental effect	
To be notified within 24 hours of detection	
Description of where the effect on the environment was detected	
Substance(s) detected	
Concentrations of substances detected	
Date of monitoring/sampling	

Part B – to be submitted as soon as practicable

Any more accurate information on the matters for notification under Part A.	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to prevent a recurrence of the incident	
Measures taken, or intended to be taken, to rectify, limit or prevent any pollution of the environment which has been or may be caused by the emission	
The dates of any unauthorised emissions from the facility in the preceding 24 months.	

Name*	
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Signature	
Date	

* authorised to sign on behalf of the operator

Schedule 6 – Interpretation

“accident” means an accident that may result in pollution.

“Annex I” means Annex I to the Waste Framework Directive.

“Annex II” means Annex II to the Waste Framework Directive.

“application” means the application for this permit, together with any additional information supplied by the operator as part of the application and any response to a notice served under Schedule 5 to the EP Regulations.

“authorised officer” means any person authorised by the Environment Agency under section 108(1) of The Environment Act 1995 to exercise, in accordance with the terms of any such authorisation, any power specified in section 108(4) of that Act.

“Building” means a construction that has the objective of providing sheltering cover and minimising emissions of noise, particulate matter, odour and litter.

“emissions of substances not controlled by emission limits” means emissions of substances to air, water or land from the activities, either from the emission points specified in schedule 3 or from other localised or diffuse sources, which are not controlled by an emission or background concentration limit.

“EP Regulations” means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2016 No.1154 and words and expressions used in this permit which are also used in the Regulations have the same meanings as in those Regulations.

“groundwater” means all water, which is below the surface of the ground in the saturation zone and in direct contact with the ground or subsoil.

“Hazardous property” has the meaning in Annex III of the Waste Framework Directive.

“Impermeable surface” means a surface or pavement constructed and maintained to a standard sufficient to prevent the transmission of liquids beyond the pavement surface and should be read in conjunction with the term “sealed drainage system” (below).

“Hazardous waste” has the meaning given in the Hazardous Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2005.

“List of Wastes” means the list of wastes established by Commission Decision 2000/532/EC replacing Decision 94/3/EC establishing a list of wastes pursuant to Article 1(a) of Council Directive 75/442/EEC on waste and Council Decision 94/904/EC establishing a list of hazardous waste pursuant to Article 1(4) of Council Directive 91/689/EEC on hazardous waste.

“Manual” means sorting and separation of waste by hand, including use of a grab or machine bucket to move the waste.

“quarter” means a calendar year quarter commencing on 1 January, 1 April, 1 July or 1 October.

“R” means a recovery operation provided for in Annex II to the Waste Framework Directive.

“Sealed drainage system” in relation to an impermeable surface, means a drainage system with impermeable components which does not leak and which will ensure that:

- no liquids will run off the surface otherwise than via the system
- except where they may lawfully be discharged to foul sewer, all liquids entering the system are collected in a sealed sump.

“Waste code” means the six digit code referable to a type of waste in accordance with the List of Wastes and in relation to hazardous waste, includes the asterisk.

“Waste Framework Directive” or “WFD” means Waste Framework Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste, as read in accordance with Schedule 1A to the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016.

“year” means calendar year ending 31 December.

When the following terms appear in the waste code list in Schedule 2, table S2.1, for that table, they have the meaning given below:

“hazardous substance” means a substance classified as hazardous as a consequence of fulfilling the criteria laid down in parts 2 to 5 of Annex I to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008.

“heavy metal” means any compound of antimony, arsenic, cadmium, chromium (VI), copper, lead, mercury, nickel, selenium, tellurium, thallium and tin, as well as these materials in metallic form, as far as these are classified as hazardous substances.

“PCBs” means

- polychlorinated biphenyls
- polychlorinated terphenyls
- monomethyl-tetrachlorodiphenyl methane, Monomethyl-dichloro-diphenyl methane, Monomethyldibromodiphenyl methane
- any mixture containing any of the above mentioned substances in a total of more than 0,005 %by weight.

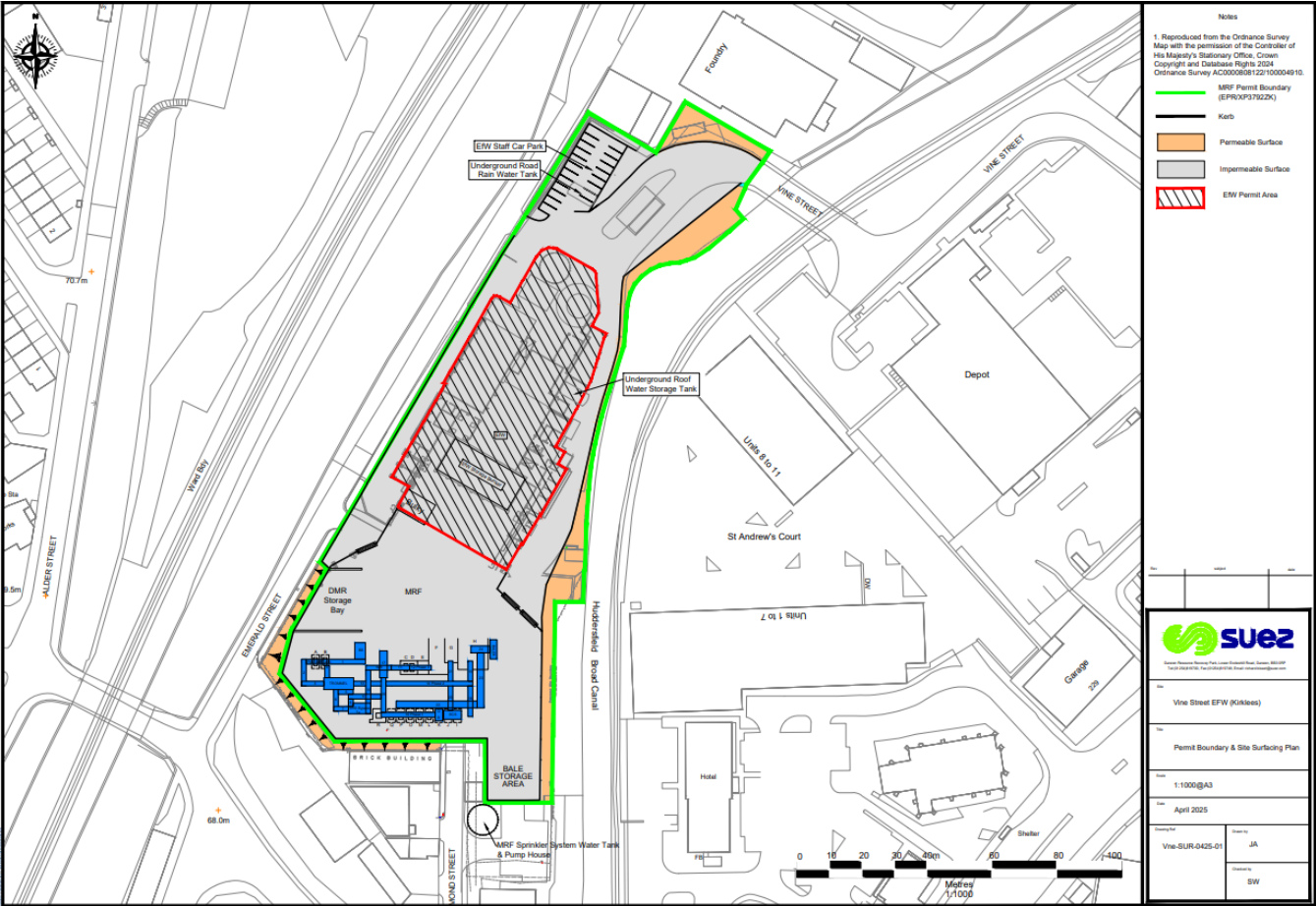
“transition metals” means any of the following metals: any compound of scandium, vanadium, manganese, cobalt, copper, yttrium, niobium, hafnium, tungsten, titanium, chromium, iron, nickel, zinc, zirconium, molybdenum and tantalum, as well as these materials in metallic form, as far as these are classified as hazardous substances.

“stabilisation” means processes which change the hazardousness of the constituents in the waste and transform hazardous waste into non-hazardous waste.

“solidification” means processes which only change the physical state of the waste by using additives without changing the chemical properties of the waste.

“partly stabilised wastes” means wastes containing, after the stabilisation process, hazardous constituents which have not been changed completely into non-hazardous constituents and could be released into the environment in the short, middle or long term.

Schedule 7 – Site plan



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