

# Permit with introductory note

## The Environmental Permitting (England & Wales) Regulations 2010

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Countrystyle Recycling Limited  
Ridham Dock Gypsum Facility  
Ridham Dock Road  
Iwade  
Sittingbourne  
Kent  
ME9 8SR

### **Permit number**

EPR/DB3606LE

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### Introductory note

#### **This introductory note does not form a part of the permit**

The main features of the permit are as follows.

This permit is for a gypsum processing facility for the recovery of gypsum powder and fibre.

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
Application EPR/DB3606LE/A001	Duly made 18/08/16	Application for a gypsum processing facility.
Additional information received	20/09/16	Drainage Plan
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	20/12/16	Dust Management Plan
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	05/12/16	Operating Techniques
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	16/12/16	Fire Prevention Plan
Permit determined EPR/DB3606LE	21/12/16	Permit issued to Countrystyle Recycling Limited.

End of introductory note

# Permit

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### Permit number

**EPR/DB3606LE**

The Environment Agency hereby authorises, under regulation 13 of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010

**Countrystyle Recycling Limited** ("the operator"),

whose registered office is

**Ashford Road**

**Lenham**

**Maidstone**

**Kent**

**ME17 2DL**

company registration number 05103813

to operate waste operations at

**Ridham Dock Gypsum Facility**

**Ridham Dock Road**

**Iwade**

**Sittingbourne**

**Kent**

**ME9 8SR**

to the extent authorised by and subject to the conditions of this permit.

Name	Date
<b>Helen M Rowlands</b>	<b>21/12/16</b>

Authorised on behalf of the Environment Agency

# 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.

### 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.
- 2.3.3 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 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 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.

## **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

<b>Table S1.1 activities</b>	
<b>Description of activities for waste operations</b>	<b>Limits of activities</b>
<p>R3: Recycling/reclamation of organic substances which are not used as solvents (including composting and other biological transformation processes)</p> <p>R5: Recycling/reclamation of other inorganic materials</p> <p>R13: Storage of waste pending any of the operations numbered R1 to R12 (excluding temporary storage, pending collection, on the site where the waste is produced)</p>	<p>Physical treatment including manual and mechanical sorting, pre-breaking, crushing, screening, of non-hazardous waste for recovery.</p> <p>Wastes shall be stored for no longer than 3 years prior to recovery.</p> <p>All waste to be treated and stored within a building and on an impermeable surface with sealed drainage system.</p> <p>All operational areas shall be on an impermeable surface with a sealed drainage system.</p>

<b>Table S1.2 Operating techniques</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Parts</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
Application	Part B2 of the application form including supporting documents	20/06/16
Additional Information	Drainage Plan Ref 617551/CIV/SK010 dated 15.10.16	20/09/16
Additional Information	Additional information received in email dated 11 October 2016 including: Gypsum Plant Process Flow, Plant Layout Plan, Equipment Specifications, Traffic Flow, CGR 3.14, CGR 3.20, CGR 3.16, CGR 3.18, CGR 3.17	11/10/16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Revised Dust Management Plan Ref 402.01376.00024/DMP, Version No 3, dated December 2016 in response to Schedule 5	20.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	DMP Appendix A, Detailed Site Layout Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	DMP Appendix C, Corgin Ltd, Mister System Maintenance	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Revised Operating Techniques Ref 402.01376.00024/OT, Version Final, dated December 2016 in response to Schedule 5	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	OT Drawing 002, Permit Boundary and Site Layout, Ref 01376.00024.13.002.3	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	OT Drawing 002a, Internal Site Layout, Ref 402.01376.00024.002a1	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Fire Prevention Plan Version 3 dated December 2016 in response to Schedule 5	16.12.16



<b>Table S1.2 Operating techniques</b>		
<b>Description</b>	<b>Parts</b>	<b>Date Received</b>
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 1 Sources, Pathways, Receptors Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 1 Cultural and Natural Heritage Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 2 Internal Site Layout Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 3 Water Supply and Firefighting Equipment Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 4 Fire Service Access Routes	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 5 Site Infrastructure Plan (showing mobile plant storage and quarantine area)	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 6 Unmade Ground within the Permitted Area	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	FPP Appendix 7 Drainage Plan	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Appendix 8 Site Piling Layout	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Appendix 8 Foundation Layout	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Appendix 9 Fire testing on whole and crushed waste plasterboard, ref Countrystyle-L16-524-291116	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Email in support of Dust Management Plan, Operating Techniques Document and Fire Prevention Plan dated 4.12.16 in response to Schedule 5	05.12.16
Response to Schedule 5 Notice dated 07/11/16	Appendix 10 Fireward Fire Suppression System (6 attachments: operations & maintenance manual, spark detection system datasheet, flame detector spectex datasheet, spark detection and extinguishing system manual, ember detector datasheet, ember detector user manual	16.12.16

## Schedule 2 – Waste types

<b>Table S2.1 Permitted waste types and quantities for a Non Hazardous Physical Treatment Facility</b>	
<b>Maximum quantity</b>	<b>The total quantity of waste accepted at the site for the above activity shall be less than 120,000 tonnes a year.</b>
<b>Waste code</b>	<b>Description</b>
<b>17</b>	<b>Construction and demolition wastes (including excavated soil from contaminated sites)</b>
<b>17 08</b>	<b>gypsum-based construction material</b>
17 08 02	gypsum-based construction materials other than those mentioned in 17 08 01
<b>19</b>	<b>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</b>
<b>19 12</b>	<b>wastes from the mechanical treatment of waste (for example sorting, crushing, compacting, pelletising) not otherwise specified</b>
19 12 12	other wastes (including mixtures of materials) from mechanical treatment of wastes other than those mentioned in 19 12 11 limited to gypsum-based waste only

## **Schedule 3 – Emissions and monitoring**

There are no emission limits or associated 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	

<b>(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</b>	
<b>To be notified within 24 hours of detection</b>	
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	
Substances(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>(b) Notification requirements for the breach of a limit</b>	
<b>To be notified within 24 hours of detection unless otherwise specified below</b>	
Emission point reference/ source	
Parameter(s)	
Limit	
Measured value and uncertainty	
Date and time of monitoring	

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

<b>Time periods for notification following detection of a breach of a limit</b>	
<b>Parameter</b>	<b>Notification period</b>

<b>(c) Notification requirements for the detection of any significant adverse environmental effect</b>	
<b>To be notified within 24 hours of detection</b>	
Description of where the effect on the environment was detected	
Substances(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.	

<b>Name*</b>	
<b>Post</b>	
<b>Signature</b>	
<b>Date</b>	

\* 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 Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste.

“Annex II” means Annex II to Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste.

“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.

“D” means a disposal operation provided for in Annex I to Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste.

“emissions to land” includes emissions to groundwater.

“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 limit.

“EP Regulations” means The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations SI 2010 No.675 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.

“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, as amended from time to time.

“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 Directive 2008/98/EC of the European Parliament and of the Council on waste.

“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:

- (a) no liquid will run off the surface otherwise than via the system;
- (b) 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.

“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, Monomethyldibromo-diphenyl 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.

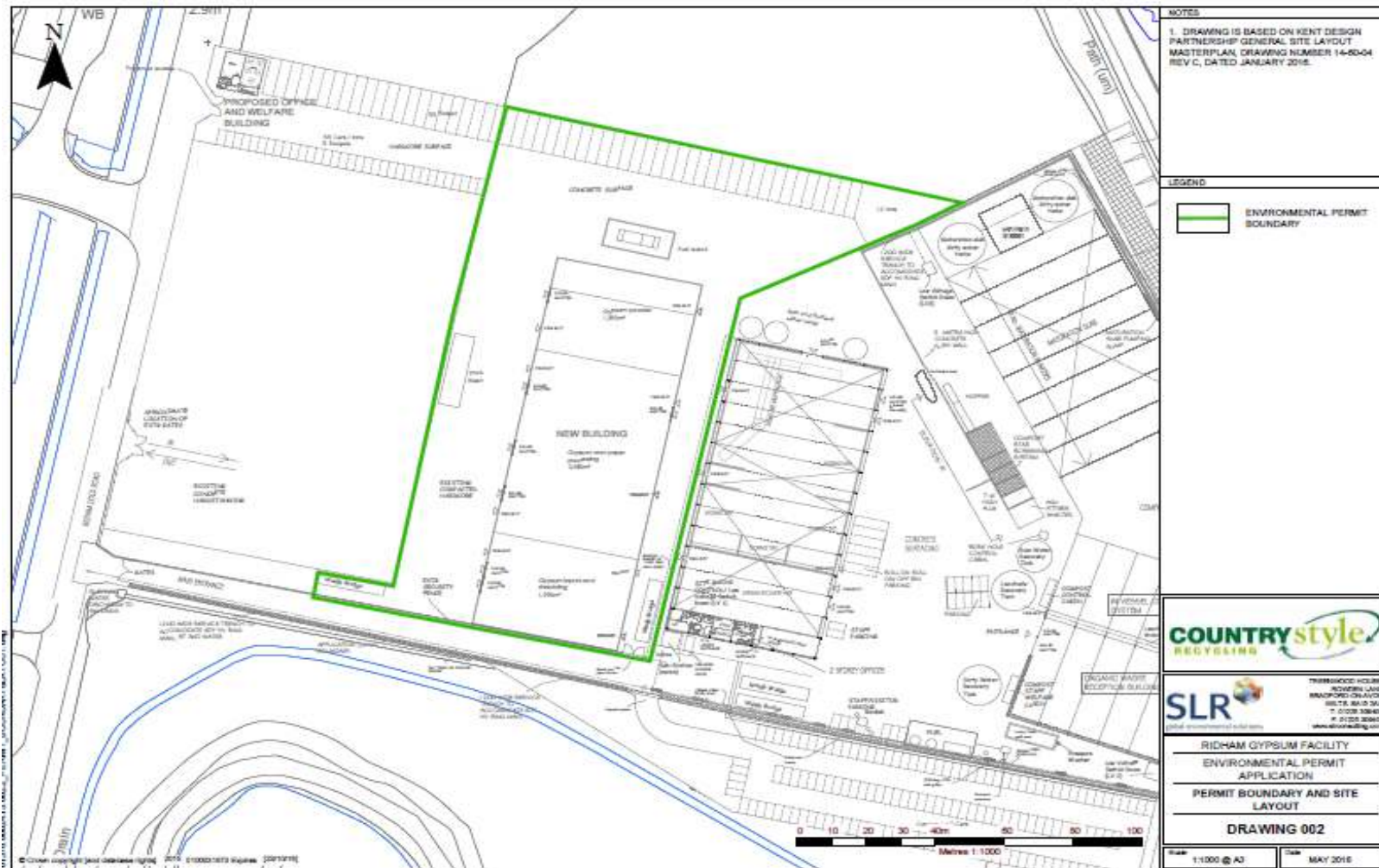
“solidification” means processes which only change the physical state of the waste by using additives without changing the chemical properties of the waste.

“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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