

Memorandum

To	From	Our reference
	Jason Brown	366660NN26
Office	Date	Your reference
Cardiff	01/07/2016	
Subject	Five Fords WwTW GCN low risk method statement ecological supervision	

Ecological site supervision was undertaken by a licenced GCN surveyor on the 8th of April 2016 for the preparation of the compound site for the Thermal Hydrolysis Plant at the Five Fords Wastewater Treatment Works, Wrexham. Site supervision followed the methods detailed in the Great Crested Newt Low Risk / Risk Avoidance Method Statement produced for Dŵr Cymru / Welsh Water for Five Fords Thermal Hydrolysis Plant by Mott MacDonald Bentley 4791-S-201-MMB-06-XX-RP-NX-19028 (March 2016).

Prior to works commencing on site, the site operatives were provided with a GCN tool box talk and were explained the details within the Great Crested Newt Low Risk / Risk Avoidance Method Statement.

The site compound location was finger tipped searched within any areas that may be suitable to support great crested newts and any potential refugia was dismantled. During this, only minimal features were found as the compound comprised of bare ground with minimal vegetation cover. See Figures below of habitat within the compound location.

Figure 1: Compound location



Figure2: Compound location



Figure3: Compound location



Figure 4: Compound location



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The compound location is situated approximately 300m away from the closest known pond to support great crested newts. The compound area was considered to have negligible suitability to support foraging and refugia habitat for great crested newts.

The site operatives were instructed to proceed with the works under the method statement without further ecological supervision

Kind Regards

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'J Brown', written over a faint horizontal line.

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