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## Environmental and Social Completion Sheet (ESCS)<sup>1</sup>

### Overview

Project Name:	NORTH YORKSHIRE AND YORK WASTE PPP
Project Number:	2010-0575
Country:	United Kingdom
Project Description:	The project concerned the design, construction, operation, maintenance and financing of treatment facilities for residual waste arising in the North Yorkshire and City of York, England

### Summary of Environmental and Social Assessment at Completion

**EIB notes the following Environmental and Social performance and key outcomes at Project Completion.**

The project comprises implementation of residual waste treatment facilities on a site currently used for sand and gravel screening. The site is located adjacent to an operating landfill and the project does not impact any Natura 2000 areas. Project facilities were designed to meet relevant emission criteria, and adequate measures were identified to mitigate adverse impacts during the construction and operation periods. The project would reduce the amount of waste that is disposed on landfills and enable recovery of both recyclable materials and energy from the residual waste stream in line with relevant UK and EU policies and targets.

There are a few farms located within 1 km from the site, the closest being 400 m away. The nearest settlement is located 1.6 km away. The site is located close to Allerton Park, which is a registered Park and Garden containing a number of graded buildings, on some of which the impact from the project is considered to be significant. The project therefore contains mitigation measures both on site, in the form extensive site planting and visual screening, and off site through establishment of a fund for restoring cultural heritage assets to make them publically accessible..

During implementation the promoter undertook a public consultation programme comprising among others meetings, presentation, exhibitions, written communications, a dedicated web site and media advertisements. The promoter also established a 24 hour telephone line and a community liaison group to facilitate communication with the local community.

As part of the project, the promoter established the Allerton Waste Recovery Park Education and Visitor Centre where they offer talks and tours to community groups, as well as recycling and waste-themed activities for schools.

The operation of the facility is experiencing some problems due to the fact that the waste received from the Authority includes a larger share of bulky waste than predicted. This results in the inputs to facilities containing less recyclables and organic waste than predicted, which has negatively influenced the ability to meet recycling targets.

The facility has recorded environmental emissions of CO and bio-gas caused by volatile waste, operational issues and equipment malfunction, aspects which are monitored and addressed.

<sup>1</sup> The template is for ILs and FLs



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**Summary opinion of Environmental and Social aspects at completion:**

EIB is of the opinion based on reports from the promoter, site visits by the EIB team and/or inputs provided by Lenders' Supervisors and others, where applicable, during Construction that the Project has been implemented in line with EIB Environmental and Social Standards, applicable at the time of appraisal.