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CONSTRUCTION AND DEMOLITION WASTE MANAGEMENT PLAN



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1.0 INTRODUCTION

AWN Consulting Ltd. (AWN) has prepared this Construction & Demolition Waste Management Plan (C&D WMP) for submission to An Bord Pleanála (ABP) for a proposed Strategic Housing Development (SHD), on lands known as Knocknacarra District Centre, Rahoon, Galway.

The purpose of this plan is to provide information necessary to ensure that the management of construction and demolition (C&D) waste at the site is undertaken in accordance with current legal and industry standards including the *Waste Management Acts 1996 - 2011* and associated Regulations ¹, *Protection of the Environment Act 2003* as amended ², *Litter Pollution Act 1997* as amended ³ and the *Connacht - Ulster Region Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021* ⁴. In particular, this plan aims to ensure maximum recycling, reuse and recovery of waste with diversion from landfill, wherever possible. It also seeks to provide guidance on the appropriate collection and transport of waste from the site to prevent issues associated with litter or more serious environmental pollution (e.g. contamination of soil and/or water).

This C&D WMP includes information on the legal and policy framework for C&D waste management in Ireland, estimates of the type and quantity of C&D waste to be generated by the proposed development and makes recommendations for management of different waste streams.

2.0 CONSTRUCTION & DEMOLITION WASTE MANAGEMENT IN IRELAND

2.1 National Level

The Irish Government issued a policy statement in September 1998 known as *'Changing Our Ways'*⁵, which identified objectives for the prevention, minimisation, reuse, recycling, recovery and disposal of waste in Ireland. The target for C&D waste in this report was to recycle at least 50% of C&D waste within a five year period (by 2003), with a progressive increase to at least 85% over fifteen years (i.e. 2013).

In response to the *Changing Our Ways* report, a task force (Task Force B4) representing the waste sector of the already established Forum for the Construction Industry, released a report entitled '*Recycling of Construction and Demolition Waste*'⁶ concerning the development and implementation of a voluntary construction industry programme to meet the Government's objectives for the recovery of C&D waste.

The most recent national policy document was published in July 2012, entitled '*A Resource Opportunity - Waste Management Policy in Ireland*'⁷. This document stresses the environmental and economic benefits of better waste management, particularly in relation to waste prevention. The document sets out a number of actions in relation to C&D waste and commits to undertake a review of specific producer responsibility requirements for C&D projects over a certain threshold.

The National Construction and Demolition Waste Council (NCDWC) was launched in June 2002, as one of the recommendations of the Forum for the Construction Industry, in the Task Force B4 final report. The NCDWC subsequently produced '*Best Practice Guidelines for the Preparation of Waste Management Plans for Construction and Demolition Projects*'⁸ in July 2006 in conjunction with the then Department of the Environment, Heritage and Local Government (DoEHLG). The guidelines outline the issues that need to be addressed at the pre-planning stage of a development all the way through to its completion. These guidelines have been followed in the preparation of this document and include the following elements:

- Predicted C&D wastes and procedures to prevent, minimise, recycle and reuse wastes;
- Waste disposal/recycling of C&D wastes at the site;
- Provision of training for waste manager and site crew;
- Details of proposed record keeping system;
- Details of waste audit procedures and plan; and
- Details of consultation with relevant bodies i.e. waste recycling companies, Galway City Council etc.

Section 3 of the Guidelines identifies thresholds above which there is a requirement for the preparation of a C&D Waste Management Plan for developments. This development requires a C&D WMP under the following criterion:

• New residential developments of 10 houses or more.

Other guidelines followed in the preparation of this report include *'Construction and Demolition Waste Management – a handbook for Contractors and Site Managers'*⁹ published by FÁS and the Construction Industry Federation in 2002.

These guidance documents are considered to define best practice for C&D projects in Ireland and describe how C&D projects are to be undertaken such that environmental impacts and risks are minimised and maximum levels of waste recycling are achieved.

2.2 Regional Level

The proposed development is located in the Local Authority area of Galway City Council (GCC).

The Connacht - Ulster Region (CUR) Waste Management Plan 2015 – 2021 is the regional waste management plan for the GCC area published in May 2015.

The Regional Plan sets out the strategic targets for waste management in the region and sets a specific target for C&D waste of *"70% preparing for reuse, recycling and other recovery of construction and demolition waste"* (*excluding natural soils and stones and hazardous wastes*) to be achieved by 2020.

The CUR Regional Plan sets out the following strategic overall targets for waste management in the region:

- A 1% reduction per annum in the quantity of household waste generated per capita over the period of the plan;
- Achieve a recycling rate of 50% of managed municipal waste by 2020; and
- Reduce to 0% the direct disposal of unprocessed residual municipal waste to landfill (from 2016 onwards) in favour of higher value pre-treatment processes and indigenous recovery practices.

Future targets set in the plan for 2030 include:

- Preparing for reuse/recycling rate of 60-70% of municipal waste by 2030; and
- Reducing and where possible eliminating the landfilling of all major waste streams including municipal, industrial and construction and demolition wastes in favour of the recovery of residual wastes.

The GCC *Development Plan 2017 – 2023* (2017) ¹⁰ identifies supporting the objectives and targets of the regional waste management plan (except in relation to incineration) as one of the Council's policies. Other waste policy which is relevant to the proposed development includes:

- Ensure that planning proposals for new medium and large-scale developments, such as housing estates, retail and industrial developments include C&D waste management plans.
- Consider redundant quarry sites as suitable locations for the undertaking of C&D waste recovery, subject to appropriate environmental and planning considerations.
- Encourage the development of a C&D waste recycling facility and other measures in the city for the sorting and grinding of C&D waste for reuse, subject to appropriate environmental and planning considerations.

2.3 Legislative Requirements

The primary legislative instruments that govern waste management in Ireland and applicable to the project are:

- Waste Management Act 1996 (No. 10 of 1996) as amended. Sub-ordinate legislation includes:
 - European Communities (Waste Directive) Regulations 2011 (SI 126 of 2011) as amended
 - Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations (S.I No. 820 of 2007) as amended
 - Waste Management (Facility Permit and Registration) Regulations 2007, (S.I No. 821 of 2007) as amended
 - Waste Management (Licensing) Regulations 2004 (S.I. No. 395 of 2004) as amended
 - Waste Management (Packaging) Regulations 2014 (S.I. 282 of 2014) as amended
 - Waste Management (Planning) Regulations 1997 (S.I. No. 137 of 1997)
 - Waste Management (Landfill Levy) Regulations 2015 (S.I. No. 189 of 2015)
 - European Union (Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment) Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 149 of 2014)
 - European Union (Batteries and Accumulators) Regulations 2014 (S.I. No. 283 of 2014) as amended
 - Waste Management (Food Waste) Regulations 2009 (S.I. 508 of 2009), as amended
 - European Union (Household Food Waste and Bio-waste) Regulation 2015 (S.I. No. 191 of 2015)
 - Waste Management (Hazardous Waste) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 163 of 1998) as amended
 - Waste Management (Shipments of Waste) Regulations, 2007 (S.I. No. 419 of 2007) as amended
 - Waste Management (Movement of Hazardous Waste) Regulations, 1998 (S.I. No. 147 of 1998)
 - European Communities (Transfrontier Shipment of Waste) Regulations 1994 (SI 121 of 1994)
 - European Union (Properties of Waste which Render it Hazardous) Regulations 2015 (S.I. No. 233 of 2015) as amended.
- Environmental Protection Act 1992 (No. 7 of 1992) as amended.
- Litter Pollution Act 1997 (No. 12 of 1997) as amended.
- Planning and Development Act 2000 (No. 30 of 2000) as amended ¹¹.

One of the guiding principles of European waste legislation, which has in turn been incorporated into the *Waste Management Act 1996 - 2001* and subsequent Irish legislation, is the principle of *"Duty of Care"*. This implies that the waste producer is responsible for waste from the time it is generated through until its legal recycling, recovery or disposal (including its method of disposal). As it is not practical in most cases for the waste producer to physically transfer all waste from where it is produced to the final destination, waste contractors will be employed to physically transport

waste to the final destination. Following on from this is the concept of *"Polluter Pays"* whereby the waste producer is liable to be prosecuted for pollution incidents, which may arise from the incorrect management of waste produced, including the actions of any contractors engaged (e.g. for transportation and disposal/recovery/recycling of waste).

It is therefore imperative that the client ensures that the waste contractors engaged by construction contractors are legally compliant with respect to waste transportation, recycling, recovery and disposal. This includes the requirement that a contractor handle, transport and recycle/recover/dispose of waste in a manner that ensures that no adverse environmental impacts occur as a result of any of these activities.

A collection permit to transport waste must be held by each waste contractor which is issued by the National Waste Collection Permit Office (NWCPO). Waste receiving facilities must also be appropriately permitted or licensed. Operators of such facilities cannot receive any waste, unless in possession of a Certificate of Registration (COR) or waste permit granted by the relevant Local Authority under the *Waste Management (Facility Permit & Registration) Regulations 2007 and Amendments* or a waste or IE licence granted by the EPA. The COR/permit/licence held will specify the type and quantity of waste able to be received, stored, sorted, recycled, recovered and/or disposed of at the specified site.

3.0 DESCRIPTION OF THE PROJECT

3.1 Location, Size and Scale of the Development

The proposed site is located at Gort na Bro, Rahoon, Galway.

The proposed development will consist of the following:

- Construction of 332 no. residential units:
 - 93 no. 1 bed apartments
 - 219 no. 2 bed apartments
 - o 20 no. 3 bed apartment
- Provision of 2,667 sq.m of commercial floorspace.
- Provision of 93 sq.m community use facilities.
- Provision of 470 sq.m tenant amenity accommodation including shared workspaces, shared dining and lounge facilities.
- Provision of 174sq.m creche facility including an external secure play area.
- Provision of 85 no. car parking spaces and provision of realigned road between Gort na mBro and Gateway Retail Park Road.
- Change of use of underground void to 183 bay underground car park.
- Provision of shared communal and private open space, car parking, bicycle parking, bin storage, public lighting, site landscaping, services, signage, substation and all associated site development works.

3.2 Details of the Non-Hazardous Wastes to be produced

Made ground, peat, soil and subsoil will require excavation to reduce existing levels for the proposed sub-structure, foundations and services. The extent of earthworks will be minimal as no basement structures are proposed.

The volume of material to be excavated has been estimated to be a maximum 30,000m³. (Note: This is considered to be a worst-case estimate). It is anticipated that any suitable excavated material will be reused on site, where possible.

During the construction phase there may be a surplus of building materials, such as timber off-cuts, broken concrete blocks, cladding, plastics, metals and tiles generated. There may also be excess concrete during construction which will need to be disposed

of. Plastic and cardboard waste from packaging and supply of materials will also be generated.

Waste will also be generated from construction workers e.g. organic/food waste, dry mixed recyclables (waste paper, newspaper, plastic bottles, packaging, aluminium cans, tins and Tetra Pak cartons), mixed non-recyclables and potentially sewage sludge from temporary welfare facilities provided onsite during the construction phase. Waste printer/toner cartridges, waste electrical and electronic equipment (WEEE) and waste batteries may also be generated infrequently from site offices.

3.3 Potential Hazardous Wastes to be produced

3.3.1 Contaminated Soil

A site investigation was undertaking by Ground Investigations Ireland in October 2018 to determine the existing ground conditions at the site. As detailed in the DBFL Infrastructure Design Report which accompanies the application, the ground conditions generally consist of made ground to 0.4 - 1.7m below ground level (BGL) over peat which ranged in thickness from 0.1m to 1.8m. Beneath the peat, granular deposits were encountered in some areas which were settled over sand in two locations. Soft cohesive deposits were encountered at one location (TP05) between 2.8m and 3.8m BGL. Presumed bedrock was encountered at an elevation of 28.46mOD in the northern section of the site to 25.78mOD in the southern section of the site. Rare fragments of plastic, metal, brick and wood in the made ground strata at some of the trial pit locations. There is no visual or olfactory evidence of contamination noted in the trial pit logs that accompany the site investigation report. Environmental was not undertaken as part of this site investigation. Excavations from the first two phases of the development did not show any signs of contamination and the historical use of the site suggests that land contamination is unlikely. Nonetheless, all excavations should still be carefully monitored by a suitably qualified person to ensure that potentially contaminated soil is identified and segregated, if encountered.

In the event that any potentially contaminated material is encountered, it will need to be segregated from clean/inert material, tested and classified as either non-hazardous or hazardous in accordance with the EPA publication entitled *Waste Classification – List of Waste & Determining if Waste is Hazardous or Non-Hazardous*^{' 12} using the *HazWasteOnline* application (or similar approved classification method). The material will then need to be classified as clean, inert, non-hazardous or hazardous in accordance with the *EC Council Decision 2003/33/EC*¹³, which establishes the criteria for the acceptance of waste at landfills.

3.3.2 Fuel/Oils

As fuels and oils are classed as hazardous materials, any on-site storage of fuel/oil, all storage tanks and all draw-off points will be bunded (or stored in double-skinned tanks) and located in a dedicated, secure area of the site. Provided that these requirements are adhered to and site crew are trained in the appropriate refuelling techniques, it is not expected that there will be any fuel/oil wastage at the site.

3.3.3 Invasive Plant Species

An invasive species survey will be undertaken prior to commencement of the construction phase of the project. In the event that invasive species are encountered, an invasive species management plan will be agreed with the planning authority. Any surplus soil containing invasive species will be removed from the site in accordance with the agreed management plan and will be brought to a suitably authorised waste facility for appropriate disposal.

3.3.4 Other known Hazardous Substances

Paints, glues, adhesives and other known hazardous substances will be stored in designated areas. They will generally be present in small volumes only and associated waste volumes generated will be kept to a minimum. Wastes will be stored in appropriate receptacles pending collection by an authorised waste contractor.

In addition, WEEE (containing hazardous components), printer toner/cartridges, batteries (Lead, Ni-Cd or Mercury) and/or fluorescent tubes and other mercury containing waste may be generated from during C&D activities or temporary site offices. These wastes (if encountered) will be stored in appropriate receptacles in designated areas of the site pending collection by an authorised waste contractor.

3.4 Main C&D Waste Categories

The main non-hazardous and hazardous waste streams that could be generated by the construction activities at a typical site are shown in Table 3.1. The List of Waste (LoW) code (as effected from 1 June 2015) (also referred to as the European Waste Code or EWC) for each waste stream is also shown

Waste Material	LoW/EWC Code		
Soil and Stones	17 05 04		
Concrete, bricks, tiles, ceramics	17 01 01-03 & 07		
Wood, glass and plastic	17 02 01-03		
Treated wood, glass, plastic, containing hazardous substances	17-02-04*		
Bituminous mixtures, coal tar and tarred products	17 03 01*, 02 & 03*		
Metals (including their alloys) and cable	17 04 01-11		
Gypsum-based construction material	17 08 01* & 02		
Paper and cardboard	20 01 01		
Mixed C&D waste	17 09 04		
Green waste	20 02 01		
Electrical and electronic components	20 01 35 & 36		
Batteries and accumulators	20 01 33 & 34		
Liquid fuels	13 07 01-10		
Chemicals (solvents, pesticides, paints, adhesives, detergents etc.)	20 01 13, 19, 27-30		
Insulation materials	17 06 04		
Insulation containing asbestos and asbestos-containing construction materials and other insulation containing hazardous substances	17-06-01*, 03* & 05*		
Organic (food) waste	20 01 08		
Mixed Municipal Waste	20 03 01		

Table 3.1 Typical waste types generated and LoW codes (individual waste types may contain hazardous substances)

4.0 WASTE MANAGEMENT

4.1 Construction Waste Generation

Table 4.1 shows the breakdown of C&D waste types produced on a typical site based on data from the EPA *National Waste Reports, the GMIT*¹⁵ and other research reports.

Waste Types	%
Mixed C&D	33
Timber	28
Plasterboard	10
Metals	8
Concrete	6
Other	15
Total	100

Table 4.1 Waste materials generated on a typical Irish construction site

Table 4.2 shows the predicted construction waste generation for the proposed development based on the information available to date along with the targets for management of the waste streams. The predicted waste amounts are based on an average largescale development waste generation rate per m², using the waste breakdown rates shown in Table 4.2 and the schedule of areas supplied by the project architects (Reddy Architecture).

Waste Type	Tonnes	Reuse		Recycle/Recovery		Disposal	
		%	Tonnes	%	Tonnes	%	Tonnes
Mixed C&D	744.5	10	74.5	80	595.6	10	74.5
Timber	631.7	40	252.7	55	347.5	5	31.6
Plasterboard	225.6	30	67.7	60	135.4	10	22.6
Metals	180.5	5	9.0	90	162.4	5	9.0
Concrete	135.4	30	40.6	65	88.0	5	6.8
Other	338.4	20	67.7	60	203.1	20	67.7
Total	2256.2		512.2		1531.9		212.1

Table 4.2 Estimated off-site reuse, recycle and disposal rates for construction waste

In addition, a maximum 30,000m³ of excavated material will be generated from the excavations required to facilitate construction. It is anticipated that any suitable excavated material will be reused on site, where possible.

It should be noted that until final materials and detailed construction methodologies have been confirmed, it is difficult to predict with a high level of accuracy the construction waste that will be generated from the proposed works as the exact materials and quantities may be subject to some degree of change and variation during the construction process.

4.2 **Proposed Waste Management Options**

Waste materials generated will be segregated on site, where it is practical. Where the on-site segregation of certain wastes types is not practical, off-site segregation will be carried out. There will be skips and receptacles provided to facilitate segregation at source where feasible. All waste receptacles leaving site will be covered or enclosed. The appointed waste contractor will collect and transfer the wastes as receptacles are filled. There are numerous waste contractors in the GCC Region that provide this service.

All waste arising will be handled by an approved waste contractor holding a current waste collection permit. All waste arising requiring disposal off-site will be reused, recycled, recovered or disposed of at a facility holding the appropriate registration, permit or licence, as required.

Some of the sub-contractors on site will generate waste in relatively low quantities. The transportation of non-hazardous waste by persons who are not directly involved with the waste business, at weights less than or equal to 2 tonnes, and in vehicles not designed for the carriage of waste, are exempt from the requirement to have a waste collection permit (Ref. Article 30 (1) (b) of the Waste Collection Permit Regulations 2007 as amended). Any sub-contractors engaged that do not generate more than 2 tonnes of waste at any one time can transport this waste offsite in their work vehicles (which are not design for the carriage of waste). However, they are required to ensure that the receiving facility has the appropriate COR / permit / licence.

Written records will be maintained by the contractor(s) detailing the waste arising throughout the C&D phases, the classification of each waste type, waste collection permits for all waste contactors who collect waste from the site and COR/permit or licence for the receiving waste facility for all waste removed off site for appropriate reuse, recycling, recovery and/or disposal

Dedicated bunded storage containers will be provided for hazardous wastes which may arise such as batteries, paints, oils, chemicals etc, if required.

The management of the main waste streams is outlined as follows:

Made Ground, Peat, Soil, Subsoil, Bedrock

The Waste Management Hierarchy states that the preferred option for waste management is prevention and minimisation of waste, followed by preparing for reuse and recycling/recovery, energy recovery (i.e. incineration) and, least favoured of all, disposal. The excavations are required to facilitate construction works so the preferred option (prevention and minimisation) cannot be accommodated for the excavation phase.

It is currently estimated that up to 30,000m³ of excavated material may require removal off site. This is considered to be a worst-case estimate. When material is removed offsite it could be reused as a by-product (and not as a waste), if this is done, it will be done in accordance with Article 27 of the *European Communities (Waste Directive) Regulations 2011*. Article 27 requires that certain conditions are met and that byproduct notifications are made to the EPA via their online notification form. Excavated material should not be removed from site until approval from the EPA has been received. It is currently not envisaged that article 27 will be used to export excavated material off this site.

The next option (beneficial reuse) may be appropriate for the excavated material pending environmental testing to classify the material as hazardous or non-hazardous in accordance with the EPA *Waste Classification – List of Waste & Determining if Waste is Hazardous or Non-Hazardous* publication. Clean inert material may be used as fill material in other construction projects or engineering fill for waste licensed sites. Beneficial reuse of surplus excavation material as engineering fill may be subject to further testing to determine if materials meet the specific engineering standards for their proposed end-use.

Any nearby sites requiring clean fill/capping material will be contacted to investigate reuse opportunities for clean and inert material. If any of the material is to be reused on another site as a by-product (and not as a waste), this will be done in accordance with Article 27. Similarly, if any soils/stones are imported onto the site from another construction site as a by-product, this will also be done in accordance with Article 27. It is not envisaged that article 27 will be used to import material onto this site.

If the material is deemed to be a waste, then removal and reuse/recovery/disposal of the material will be carried out in accordance with the *Waste Management Acts* 1996 – 2011 as amended, the *Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations* 2007 as

amended and the *Waste Management (Facility Permit & Registration) Regulations* 2007 as amended. Once all available beneficial reuse options have been exhausted, the options of recycling and recovery at waste permitted and licensed sites will be considered.

In the event that contaminated material is encountered and subsequently classified as hazardous, this material will be stored separately to any inert and/or non-hazardous material. It will require off-site treatment at a suitable facility or disposal abroad via Transfrontier Shipment of Wastes (TFS).

Silt & Sludge

During the construction phase, silt and petrochemical interception should be carried out on runoff and pumped water from site works, where required. Sludge and silt will then be collected by a suitably licensed contractor and removed offsite.

Concrete Blocks, Bricks, Tiles & Ceramics

The majority of concrete blocks, bricks, tiles and ceramics generated as part of the construction works are expected to be clean, inert material and should be recycled, where possible.

Hard Plastic

As hard plastic is a highly recyclable material, much of the plastic generated will be primarily from material off-cuts. All recyclable plastic will be segregated and recycled, where possible.

<u>Timber</u>

Timber that is uncontaminated, i.e. free from paints, preservatives, glues etc., will be disposed of in a separate skip and recycled off-site.

Metal

Metals will be segregated where practical and stored in skips. Metal is highly recyclable and there are numerous companies that will accept these materials.

Plasterboard

There are currently a number of recycling services for plasterboard in Ireland. Plasterboard from the construction phases will be stored in a separate skip, pending collection for recycling. The site manager will ensure that oversupply of new plasterboard is carefully monitored to minimise waste.

<u>Glass</u>

Glass materials will be segregated for recycling, where possible.

Waste Electrical and Electronic Equipment (WEEE)

Any WEEE will be stored in dedicated covered cages/receptacles/pallets pending collection for recycling.

Other Recyclables

Where any other recyclable wastes such as cardboard and soft plastic are generated, these will be segregated at source into dedicated skips and removed off-site.

Non-Recyclable Waste

C&D waste which is not suitable for reuse or recovery, such as polystyrene, some plastics and some cardboards, will be placed in separate skips or other receptacles. Prior to removal from site, the non-recyclable waste skip/receptacle will be examined by a member of the waste team (see Section 7.0) to determine if recyclable materials have been placed in there by mistake. If this is the case, efforts will be made to

determine the cause of the waste not being segregated correctly and recyclable waste will be removed and placed into the appropriate receptacle.

Other Hazardous Wastes

On-site storage of any hazardous wastes produced (i.e. waste fuels) will be kept to a minimum, with removal off-site organised on a regular basis. Storage of all hazardous wastes on-site will be undertaken so as to minimise exposure to on-site personnel and the public and to also minimise potential for environmental impacts. Hazardous wastes will be recovered, wherever possible, and failing this, disposed of appropriately.

It should be noted that until a construction contractor is appointed it is not possible to provide information on the specific destinations of each construction waste stream. Prior to commencement of construction and removal of any construction waste offsite, details of the proposed destination of each waste stream will be provided to GCC by the project team.

4.3 Tracking and Documentation Procedures for Off-Site Waste

All waste will be documented prior to leaving the site. Waste will be weighed by the contractor, either by weighing mechanism on the truck or at the receiving facility. These waste records will be maintained on site by the nominated project Waste Manager (see Section 6.0).

All movement of waste and the use of waste contractors will be undertaken in accordance with the *Waste Management Acts* 1996 - 2011, *Waste Management (Collection Permit) Regulations 2007 as amended and Waste Management (Facility Permit & Registration) Regulations 2007 and amended.* This includes the requirement for all waste contractors to have a waste collection permit issued by the NWCPO. The nominated project waste manager (see Section 7.0) will maintain a copy of all waste collection permits on-site.

If the waste is being transported to another site, a copy of the Local Authority waste COR/permit or EPA Waste/IE Licence for that site will be provided to the nominated project waste manager (see Section 6.0). If the waste is being shipped abroad, a copy of the Transfrontier Shipping (TFS) notification document will be obtained from Dublin City Council (DCC) (as the relevant authority on behalf of all local authorities in Ireland) and kept on-site along with details of the final destination (COR, permits, licences etc.). A receipt from the final destination of the material will be kept as part of the on-site waste management records.

All information will be entered in a waste management recording system to be maintained on site.

5.0 ESTIMATED COST OF WASTE MANAGEMENT

An outline of the costs associated with different aspects of waste management is provided below.

The total cost of C&D waste management will be measured and will take into account handling costs, storage costs, transportation costs, revenue from rebates and disposal costs.

5.1 Reuse

By reusing materials on site, there will be a reduction in the transport and recycle/recovery/disposal costs associated with the requirement for a waste contractor to take the material off-site.

5.2 Recycling

Salvageable metals will earn a rebate which can be offset against the costs of collection and transportation of the skips.

Clean uncontaminated cardboard and certain hard plastics can also be recycled. Waste contractors will charge considerably less to take segregated wastes, such as recyclable waste, from a site than mixed waste.

Timber can be recycled as chipboard. Again, waste contractors will charge considerably less to take segregated wastes such as timber from a site than mixed waste.

5.3 Disposal

Landfill charges in the Connacht Region are currently at around €210 per tonne which includes a €75 per tonne landfill levy specified in the *Waste Management (Landfill Levy) Regulations 2015.* In addition to disposal costs, waste contractors will also charge a collection fee for skips.

Collection of segregated C&D waste usually costs less than municipal waste. Specific C&D waste contractors take the waste off-site to a licensed or permitted facility and, where possible, remove salvageable items from the waste stream before disposing of the remainder to landfill.

6.0 TRAINING PROVISIONS

A member of the construction team will be appointed as the project waste manager to ensure commitment, operational efficiency and accountability during the C&D phases of the project.

6.1 Waste Manager Training and Responsibilities

The nominated waste manager will be given responsibility and authority to select a waste team if required, i.e. members of the site crew that will aid them in the organisation, operation and recording of the waste management system implemented on site. The waste manager will have overall responsibility to oversee, record and provide feedback to the client on everyday waste management at the site. Authority will be given to the waste manager to delegate responsibility to sub-contractors, where necessary, and to coordinate with suppliers, service providers and sub-contractors to prioritise waste prevention and material salvage.

The waste manager will be trained in how to set up and maintain a record keeping system, how to perform an audit and how to establish targets for waste management on site. The waste manager will also be trained in the best methods for segregation and storage of recyclable materials, have information on the materials that can be reused on site and be knowledgeable in how to implement this C&D WMP.

6.2 Site Crew Training

Training of site crew is the responsibility of the waste manager and, as such, a waste training program should be organised. A basic awareness course will be held for all site crew to outline the C&D WMP and to detail the segregation of waste materials at source. This may be incorporated with other site training needs such as general site induction, health and safety awareness and manual handling.

This basic course will describe the materials to be segregated, the storage methods and the location of the Waste Storage Areas (WSAs). A sub-section on hazardous

wastes will be incorporated into the training program and the particular dangers of each hazardous waste will be explained.

7.0 RECORD KEEPING

Records will be kept for all waste material which leaves the site, either for reuse on another site, recycling or disposal. A recording system will be put in place to record the construction waste arising's on site. A copy of the Waste Collection Permits, CORs, Waste Facility Permits and Waste Licences will be maintained on site at all times.

The waste manager or delegate will record the following;

- 1. Waste taken for reuse off-site;
- 2. Waste taken for recycling;
- 3. Waste taken for recovery;
- 4. Waste taken for disposal; and
- 5. Reclaimed waste materials brought on-site for reuse.

For each movement of waste off-site, a signed docket will be obtained by the Waste Manager from the contractor, detailing the weight and type of the material and the source and destination of the material. This will be carried out for each material type. This system will also be linked with the delivery records. In this way, the percentage of C&D waste generated for each material can be determined.

The system will allow the comparison of these figures with the targets established for the recovery, reuse and recycling of C&D waste presented earlier and to highlight the successes or failures against these targets.

8.0 OUTLINE WASTE AUDIT PROCEDURE

8.1 **Responsibility for Waste Audit**

The appointed waste manager will be responsible for conducting a waste audit at the site during the C&D phase of the development.

8.2 Review of Records and Identification of Corrective Actions

A review of all the records for the waste generated and transported off-site should be undertaken mid-way through the project. If waste movements are not accounted for, the reasons for this should be established in order to see if and why the record keeping system has not been maintained. The waste records will be compared with the established recovery/reuse/recycling targets for the site.

Each material type will be examined, in order to see where the largest percentage waste generation is occurring. The waste management methods for each material type will be reviewed in order to highlight how the targets can be achieved.

Waste management costs will also be reviewed.

Upon completion of the C&D phase, a final report will be prepared, summarising the outcomes of waste management processes adopted and the total recycling/reuse/recovery figures for the development.

9.0 CONSULTATION WITH RELEVANT BODIES

9.1 Local Authority

Once construction contractors have been appointed and prior to removal of any C&D waste materials offsite, details of the proposed destination of each waste stream will be provided to GCC.

GCC will also be consulted, as required, throughout the excavation and construction phases in order to ensure that all available waste reduction, reuse and recycling opportunities are identified and utilised and that compliant waste management practices are carried out.

9.2 Recycling/Salvage Companies

Companies that specialise in C&D waste management will be contacted to determine their suitability for engagement. Where a waste contractor is engaged, each company will be audited in order to ensure that relevant and up-to-date waste collection permits and facility COR/permits/licences are held. In addition, information regarding individual construction materials will be obtained, including the feasibility of recycling each material, the costs of recycling/reclamation and the means by which the wastes will be collected and transported off-site, and the recycling/reclamation process each material will undergo off site.

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