Case No: 2026-0390 Date of visit: 29/09/2026

Additional inspector(s): Main Inspector: [redacted]

Site No: FS0323 Site Name: Cairndow Hatchery
Business No: FB0235 Business Name: Cooke Aquaculture (Freshwater) Ltd

Case Types: 1 ECI 2 CNI 3 VMD 4 REP 5 6

Water Temp (°C): 9.9 Thermometer No: T305 FHI 045 completed N/A

Observations: Region: ST Water type: F CoGP MA:

Dead/weak/abnormally behaving fish present?	Y	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.
Clinical signs of disease observed?	N	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.
Post mortem signs observed?	N	If yes, see additional information/clinical score sheet.
Diagnostic samples taken?	N	

UNI/REG only - if unable to carry out intended visit detail reason below:

Additional Case Information:

Site visit conducted following ongoing mortality issues attributed to furunculosis and gill issues. Furunculosis was causing issues in July so the fish were treated with antibiotics. Mortalities improved so the fish were vaccinated 1st to 4th September. There was then a reoccurrence of furunculosis in September that has just reduced to below the reporting threshold. Yesterday and today 348001 of the S1 smolts were culled with over dose of syncaine. Culled fish were collected by Enviroclean for disposal at Barkip.

Two moribund fish observed across the site. However was not able to capture for sampling. Fish sampled for VMD appeared healthy.

Mortalities generally ensiled on site and collected by Enviroclean for disposal at Earnside, Perth.

Site has undergone 2 florocol treatments and one oxytet. Fish sampled for VMD on withdrawal for Oxytet (19/9/26 - 720 degree days). Also formalin and Cress (Bronopol) 21-24/9/26

Fish currently on site will go to sea on 26th October to Balta Isle, Unst.

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Registration/Authorisation Details

1. Business/site details summary checked by site representative?	Y
2. Changes made to details?	Y

Site Details (include cleaner fish for all sections)

Total No facilities	46	Facilities stocked	9	No facilities inspected	46		
Species	Atlantic salmon						
Age group	2026 S0						
No Fish	248,375						
Mean Fish Wt	70g						
Next Fallow Date (Site)	WB 26th October		Next Input Date (Site)	ova mid December			
Recent (last 4 wks) disease problems?		Y	Any escapes (since last visit)?		N		
If yes, detail:	furunculosis and gill issues caused by spate						

Movement Records

1. Movement records for **all species** held available for inspection?	Y
2. Date of last inspection:	06/02/2024
3. Are records complete and correctly entered?	Y
4. Are movement records available for dead fish and waste?	Y
5. Are records complete and correctly entered?	Y
6. Have all introductions and imports (since last inspection) from outwith the GB health zone been recorded in the movement records?	Y

Transport Records

1. Are any movements carried out not using a STB (by (or on behalf of) the business)?	N
If yes, is there a system in place for maintenance of transportation records?	

Mortality Records

1. Mortality records for **all species** held available for inspection?	Y
2. How are mortalities disposed of?	Ensiled - on site
If other detail:	
3. Mortality records complete and correctly entered?	Y
4. Recent mortality (last 4 wks):	wk31/8 7016 fish 0.94%, wk7/9 72832 9.84%, wk14/9 44227 6.62%, wk 21/9 3622 fish 0.58%, wk 28/9 (2 days) 70 fish.
5. Evidence of recent increased/atypical mortalities?	Y

If yes, facility nos/no mortality per facility/no stock per facility/reason:

mortality across all tanks attributed to furunculosis and gill issues caused by water quality issues due to spate.

6. Any other peaks in mortality during period checked?	Y
If yes, detail:	furunculosis issues in July treated with antibiotics,
7. Have increased (unexplained) mortalities been reported to vet or FHI?	N/A
If yes, detail action:	
8. Have 'mortality events' been reported to FHI? If no, enter details on mortality events sheet.	Y

Treatments and Medicines Records

1. Recent treatments (see comment)?							Y
If yes, detail:	Florfenicol	Oxytetracycline	Formalin	Cress			
If other, detail:							
2. Medicines records available for inspection?							Y
3. Are records complete and correctly entered?							Y
4. Are fish in a withdrawal period?							Y
5. If yes, what treatment(s)?			Oxytetracycline				
If other, detail:							
6. Are medicines stored appropriately?							Y

Biosecurity Records

1. Biosecurity records available for inspection?	Y
2. Has the manner and frequency of mortality removal, recording and safe disposal been considered?	Y
3. Has the manner and period in which the APB will notify Scottish Ministers or veterinary professional of any *increased* (*unexplained)* mortality at the site been included?	Y
4. Has the action that will be taken in the event that the presence or suspicion of the presence of a listed disease is detected been included and *how* and *when* that will be notified to Scottish Ministers?	Y
5. Has the health status of aquaculture animals being stocked on the farm site been covered (equal or higher health status, certification if required)?	Y
6. Have the husbandry and biosecurity measures implemented between each epidemiological unit to minimise transmission of disease been covered (movement of staff, visitors, equipment, live or dead fish etc.)?	Y
7. Is documentation available regarding the measures in place to maintain the physical containment of aquaculture animals held on site?	Y
8. Have the biosecurity procedures been adequately implemented on site?	Y
If no, detail:	

Results of Surveillance

1. Has any animal health surveillance been carried out by, or on behalf of, the business?	Y
2. If yes, are results available for inspection?	Y
3. Any significant results?	Y
If yes, detail (if not detailed under recent disease problems).	
PCR positive for furunculosis and histology bacterial gill disease	
Records checked between:	6/2/24-29/9/26

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Priority samples:	VI		BA		PA		MG		HI		
Time sampling starts/ends:	14:00:00	15:00:00	Main Insp:		VMD No.	5					
Environmental conditions:	1	Indoors	2		3		4		5		
Summary samples	HIST		BA		MG		VI		PA	Total Samples	

Add Fish/Pools - click button

	Pool/Fish No												
	Fish nos	1-5	6-9	10-12									
	Pool Group												
Stock Details	Species	SAL	SAL	SAL									
	Average weight	70g	70g	70g									
	Sex												
	Water Type	FW	FW	FW									
	Stock Origin	Benchmark genetics /Iceland	Benchmark genetics /Iceland	Benchmark genetics /Iceland									
	Facility No	E8	E10	E1									

09/2026 Additional Sample Information:

Fish killed with OD of Syncaine

0 Total Tests assigned 0

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		No of movements/supp./dest.				Score
Live fish movements		**0**	**1-5**	**6-10**	**>10**	
Movements on (from out with GB) of susceptible species	Frequency of movements on from British Islands (non-GB).	0	5	10	14	0
	Frequency of movements on from a third country	0	9	18	26	9
	Number of suppliers	0	5	10	14	5
Movements off	Frequency of movements off	0	3	6	10	10
	Number of destinations	0	3	6	10	3
Exposure via water	**Site contacts**	**0**	**1-5**	**6-10**		
Water contacts with other farms (holding species susceptible to same diseases)	Farm is protected (secure water supply through disinfection or borehole)	0				
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category I farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	2	4		1
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category III farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	3	6		
	Farm is on-line or in a coastal zone with category V farms upstream or within 1 tidal excursion	1	4	8		
Management practices		None	Secure	Unsecure		
Water contacts with processors	Any processing plant discharging into adjacent waters	0	1	2		0
On farm processing within the rules of the directive	No on farm processing	0				0
	Processing own fish (re-cycling risk)	1				
	Processing fish from MS of equivalent status	2				
	Processing fish from zone or compartment of equivalent status	4				
	Processing fish from Category III farm	8				
	Processing fish from Category V farm	10				
Disposal of fish and fish by-products	Site's own waste only processed.	0				0
	Common processes with other farms	3				
	Collection point for waste from other farms	5				
Use of unpasteurised feeds	No feeding of unpasteurised feed	0				0
	Feeding unpasteurised feed	5				
Biosecurity	**Number of sites**	**1**	**2 or 3**	**≥ 4**		
Contacts with other sites	Sites operating from single shorebase	0	1	2		0
	Sites sharing staff and equipment	0	1	2		0
Disinfection of equipment between sites, use of footbaths etc	Yes	0				0
	No	1				
CoGP/Regulator						
Practices in accordance with regulator or industry code of practice	Yes	0				0
	No	3				
Platform access to cages	Yes	0				0
	No	2				

Total	**28**
Rank	**HIGH**

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Sea Lice Inspection (Seawater Sites Only)

1. Has the site experienced sea lice problems in the previous 4 years?
2. Is the CoGP Farm Management Area (or equivalent) fallowed synchronously on a single year class basis?
3. Does the site have access to a range of licenced in-feed and bath sea lice medications (including deltamethrin, azamethiphos and emamectin benzoate) as well as access to suitable biological and/or mechanical control measures, and can these be deployed in a reasonable period of time?
4. Is there a signed documented farm management agreement or statement relevant to the site and CoGP Farm Management Area (or equivalent)?
5. Are sea lice count records available for inspection? (Legal SSI, CoGP Annex 6)
6. Do records adequately reflect the required standard specified in the SSI and the CoGP? (Legal SSI, CoGP Annex 6)
7. Are sea lice (L. salmonis) record levels below the suggested criteria for treatment in the CoGP during the period that records are inspected? (CoGP Annex 6)
8. Have weekly average adult female sea lice counts at or above the intervention level been reported accurately?

If no, please detail in additional information.

9. Is *C. elongatus* infestation at a level which is considered to cause significant welfare problems? (CoGP 4.3.81, 5.3.50)
10. Have therapeutic treatments been administered or other actions taken when *L. salmonis levels* have exceeded the suggested criteria for treatment or where *C. elongatus* is considered to have welfare implications? (CoGP 4.3.82, 5.3.51)
11. Has any other action been taken (where applicable)?
12. Have therapeutic treatments or the actions taken had a significant impact upon the lice levels recorded?
13. Are treatments, where conducted, carried out in cooperation between participating farms?
14. Is there a harvesting strategy for the site, where fewer populations or part populations are held without treatment for sea lice?
15. Is there a site specific written lice management procedure with waypoints describing set actions to deal with recognised scenarios during the escalation of a sea lice infestation?
16. Do the sea lice levels observed on stocks reflect sea lice count data? If no please detail reasons.

Containment Inspection

1. Has the site experienced equipment damage due to predators in the current or previous production cycles? N
2. Are measures in place to mitigate against the predation experienced on site? (Detail below) Y

Site inside	Traps				

If other, detail below:

3. Have escape incidents or events been experienced on or in the vicinity of the site since the last FHI inspection? N

If Yes proceed with questions 4 – 9. If No skip to question 10

4. Have these been reported to Scottish Ministers?
5. Have these been reported to local DSFB forthwith (where they exist)? (CoGP – 4.4.37, 5.4.17)
6. Have these been reported to the SSPO and local fisheries trusts forthwith (where they exist)? (CoGP – 4.4.37, 5.4.17)
7. Were methods (if any) used to recover escapees? If yes give detail
8. If gill nets were deployed was this action agreed with local wild fish interests and was permission given by Scottish Ministers? (Legal, CoGP – 4.4.38, 5.4.18)
9. What action was taken to prevent and minimise the risk of further escapes? (Not covered in code but could be considered under satisfactory measures of the Act)
10. Is the site inspected as satisfactory with regards to containment? If no, please detail reason(s) Y

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Nature of non-compliance:

Action taken (FHI):

Non-compliance relevant to (delete): VirologyMolGen/Bacteriology/Histology/Parasitology

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Results Summary	Freq.	Date of Notification						
		Database	Insp	Phone	Insp	Writing	Insp	2nd Insp

Report Summary			
Case Type	Date	Insp	2nd Insp
ECI, CNI, REP, VMD	05/10/2026		

Fish Health Inspectorate visit report

Summary for information of site operator

Business no:	FB0235	Date of visit:	29/09/2026
Site no:	FS0323	Site name:	Cairndow Hatchery
Case no:	20260390	Inspector:	[redacted]

Inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009

The above site was inspected in accordance with the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009.

All epidemiological units were inspected. On this occasion no samples were taken for disease analysis. The Inspector did not observe any clinical signs associated with the listed diseases as described in the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009.

Records

The surveillance frequency category of the site was assessed as high. An inspection under the Aquatic Animal Health (Scotland) Regulations 2009 will be conducted annually. The category of the site will be reassessed on a routine basis and updated as required.

The information required for the public record of aquaculture production businesses regarding this site was verified and where necessary updated. The following records were also inspected to ensure that the conditions of authorisation for your Aquaculture Production Business (APB) are being met:

Aquaculture animal and aquaculture animal product movement records were inspected and appeared to be adequately maintained.

Mortality records were inspected and found to be adequately maintained.

Mortality levels had exceeded the reporting criteria since the last inspection and had been reported to the Fish Health Inspectorate as required.

Reports detailing the results of animal health surveillance carried out by or on behalf of the business and/or Marine Directorate were available for inspection.

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The biosecurity measures plan for the site was inspected and found to be adequately maintained and implemented.

Inspection under the Animals and Animal Products (Examination for Residues and Maximum Residue Limits) (England and Scotland) Regulations 2015

Medicine records were inspected and found to be adequately maintained.

Samples were taken to be analysed for veterinary residues.

Inspection under the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007

The site was also inspected in accordance with the Aquaculture and Fisheries (Scotland) Act 2007 with respect to section 5 regarding containment and escapes.

On this occasion the site was found to be satisfactory.

Please contact myself or the duty inspector should you require any further information or have any queries regarding this report.

Signed: [redacted] Date: 05/10/2026

Fish Health Inspector

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