

Minutes of the Purton liaison committee meeting held at Millennium Village Hall on 8 December 2022 at 16.00.

## **PRESENT**

## **Wiltshire Council**

Cllr Jacqui Lay (JL)

## **Purton Parish Council**

Cllr Geoff Greenaway (GG)

Cricklade Town Council Cllr Jonathan Hill (JH)

## **Hills Waste Solutions Limited**

Simon Allen (SA) David Byatt (DB)

# **The Hills Group Limited**

Monique Hayes (MH)

		ACTION		
Ap	Apologies			
•	Cllr Bob Jones (Wiltshire Council & Cricklade Town Council); A Williams (Wiltshire Council); E Brook (Braydon)			
Mi	nutes of previous meeting			
•	Minutes of the previous meeting as circulated were approved			
Pa	rkgate Farm landfill operations			
•	SA reported that :  o 15,000 tonnes of material had been received in the last 6 months  o The contract for clay removal from the site was now complete with minimal loads going out.			
Composting				
•	SA reported that the composting site was operating well. The dry summer has resulted in lower tonnages of green waste being received.  JH reported issues with vehicles associated with the Gloucestershire green waste contract in relation to aggressive driving and speeding through Cricklade. In particular vehicles going back in a northerly direction are regularly using The Causeway as a short cut to the A419 North and this way causing issues on the High Street.  SA advised that Hills does not have control over the vehicles and routes used, but undertook to raise the issues with Gloucestershire at the next meeting. SA also suggested that Cricklade TC write to contractor concerned to raise the issue.  GG suggested that Cricklade TC consider the implementation of a 7.5 tonne weight limit through the town	Hills		
Planning applications				
•	Solar Farm on Purton landfill – The planning application has been submitted by a private company (not Hills) and is still awaiting determination by the local planning authority.  SA advised that the two existing planning permissions for both landfill sites expire in 2024 and planning applications are being submitted to extend the			

date to 2036. SA confirmed that there will be no increase in tonnages or vehicle movements sought, and the planning applications will be to extend the permission only as well as seek permission for both landfill sites to be able to accept hazardous waste.  • SA advised that a briefing note will be prepared for committee members.	Hills
Recycling update	
<ul> <li>SA advised that 2,000 tonnes of material had been received at Purton HRC between July and November 2022.</li> <li>SA advised that footfall at the site was 90-95% of the pre-COVID level.</li> <li>SA advised that the results of the customer satisfaction survey had been received with 98% of site users being very satisfied with the HRC site and staff.</li> <li>SA advise of new Environment Agency regulations (POPs) coming into force on 1 January regarding the ban on domestic seating items being sent to landfill and the requirement for these to be sent to energy from waste (EfW) facilities. As a result, additional collection bins will be placed at HRCs to collect these items separately for onward transfer to EfW.</li> <li>SA advised of the new kerbside collection service for household batteries and the possible additional service to be introduced by Wiltshire Council for kerbside collection of WEEE / small domestic rechargable items in the new year.</li> <li>SA discussed the issues that are being experienced at processing facilities due to the incorrect disposal of items in recycling bins collected at kerbside.</li> </ul>	Hills
Any other business	
There was no other business	
Next meeting	
The next meeting will be held on Thursday 1 June at 16:00 at the Purton Village Hall.	All