



Lower Compton and Sands Farm Liaison Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Liaison Committee meeting held via Microsoft Teams on 18 November 2020 at 18.00.

PRESENT

Compton Bassett Parish Council

No representative

Calne Without Parish Council

Charlie Oram (CO)

Cherhill Parish Council

Nick White (NW)

Wiltshire Council and Calne Town Council

Cllr Tony Trotman (TT)

Cllr Alan Hill (AHill)

Lower Compton No. 1 Residents Committee

No representative

Environment Agency (EA)

No representative

Hills Waste Solutions

Steve Burns (SB)

Hills Group

Monique Hayes (MH)

	Action
1. Apologies	
Apologies – Cllr Tom Rounds, Cllr Robert MacNaughton,	
2. Minutes of the last meeting held on 26 February 2020	
<ul style="list-style-type: none">The minutes of the last meeting were accepted as correct40mph speed restriction on road C15 – TT advised that no objections had been received to date on the application to set this speed limit, expect that this will go ahead soon. Junction sign C15 / A4 had been replaced.C15 roundabout at entrance to Lower Compton site – SB reported that roadworks had been completedSandpit Road 30mph limit – TT advised that local residents are looking into a Neighbourhood Speed Watch programme. SB stated that Hills have no desire for the speed limit to be increased. TT advised that whilst the link road from Prince Charles Drive had been delayed, it would result in additional residential traffic on Sandpit Road.AHill stated that part of the road from the Sandpit Road roundabout towards the Sands Farm facility site entrance is a bridleway and future plans are to create a path for pedestrians	
3. Update on planning applications	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Sands Farm MRF - SB advised that planning permission had been granted to extend the operating hours of the Sands Farm MRF. Energy from Waste facility, Westbury – TT advised that Calne Town Council had resolved to support the NRE planning application Freeth Farm – SB advised that this application had been expected to go to committee in August however the report from the planning officer had not been completed in time and there was no indication at this time as to when it would be tabled for consideration. <i>Post meeting update: This application is scheduled to be heard at Wiltshire Council's Strategic Planning Committee meeting on 2 December 2020</i> 	
4. Landfill operations and restoration works update	
<p>SB gave the following update</p> <p><u>Landfill:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cell 26b constructed May '20 and filling commenced September '20 No cell construction planned for 2021 at present Link Road – working well with minimal maintenance being required. Grading bar and roller have been purchased to use in its maintenance Wheel wash (bath and rumble strip type) installed and operational Operations continued as normal through the national restriction periods and continue to do so <p><u>Concrete Pad:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Municipal/C&I waste – during September '20 Lakeside undertook its planned 4 week shutdown period for maintenance. During this period, waste was maximised to MBT, but to ensure compliance with the site permit waste was also transferred to landfill. Also, w/c 16/11/20 the MBT has undertaken a weeklong planned shutdown, which has meant more waste has been diverted to Lakeside, with additional waste being temporarily sent to landfill. Plasterboard – continues to be exported to a third party reprocessor Skip Sorting – ongoing with the removal of hardcore, wood and metals. The screening of sorted waste is also being undertaken to remove fine prior to landfilling waste Street Sweepings – Export to a third party reprocessor is ongoing and tonnages exported are being varied dependant on tonnages on site <p>With the moving of the MRF from Lower Compton to Sands Farm and the subsequent moving of the municipal/C&I and green waste into the MRF later this year, operations on the pad are under review and alterations will be made.</p> <p><u>Complaints/Compliments:</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> March '20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 x litter on road to A4 1 x odour complaint – believed to be from garden waste /concrete pad 2 x litter along cycle track – due to high winds April '20 – None May '20 – None June '20 – None July '20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 x gate open on cycle track 1 x dead sheep in field August '20 <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 2 x odour – believed to be from garden waste / concrete pad September '20 – None October '20 – 1 x spill of ready mixed concrete on junction C15 / A4 <p>AHill reported that he has received positive feedback from local residents on the fact that waste and recycling services had been maintained during the national restrictions.</p>	
5. Green waste and woodchipping update	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Wood – Both A and C-grade wood continues to be exported to reprocessors, with shredded A-grade wood also being used on site under exemption for the construction of tracks on capped areas • Green waste – stock levels have been kept low on site, with exports to Parkgate continuing 	
6. Recycling operations update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB briefed the meeting on how the national restrictions due to Coronavirus had changed the nature of waste and recycling resulting in significantly higher volumes of material and this resulted in the need to extend the operating hours of the MRF which had subsequently been consented. • SB confirmed that the Porte Marsh facility is no longer operational. • SB gave details of the works being undertaken at Lower Compton to convert the existing MRF into a transfer station where municipal residual waste and green waste that is currently placed on the concrete pad will in future be stored internally. Works have begun to remove the existing MRF equipment, install roller shutter doors, extraction fans and odour management systems. CO enquired about the operating hours and SB advised these will be unchanged. 	
7. Aggregate and concrete operations update	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SB advised that there is minimal aggregates activity on the site with limited stocks of sand being imported from Oxfordshire for meet local demand. • Concrete operations are running normally. • CO stated that the ready mixed concrete spill that he had reported was cleaned up straight away and passed on his thanks for this 	
8. Transport management plan	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MH gave an update on the transport management plan and reported back on the actions taken in response to complaints received. • AHill stated that positive feedback had been received from local residents regarding the Calne Traffic Management Plan / internal link road and the fact that Hills had been enforcing the rules. • MH gave details on an issue being encountered where Google Maps shows the internal link road as a route to access the household recycling centre at Lower Compton from Oxford Road. MH confirmed that this has been reported to Google and Hills awaits a response. • Members suggested that signage at the Sands Farm site state 'no access to household recycling centre' • AHill requested that Hills write to local Town and parish councils with details for publication in local magazines to remind residents that it is a private road with no access to private vehicles. 	HILLS
9. Any other business	
<p><u>Landfill traffic volumes</u> TT asked if landfill traffic volumes would decrease if the proposed energy from waste plant gained planning permission. SB explained that bulky waste (mattresses / furniture) will continue to be landfilled as this material is not suitable for an energy from waste plant unless it is [treated] in some way and this could be considered by Hills in the future. Landfilling of residual waste is also required when the Lakeside EfW plant is 'off-line'</p> <p><u>Site visit</u> MH to make arrangements for a site visit for NW.</p>	HILLS
10. Date of next meeting	

The next meeting is scheduled for 17 March 2021

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