

Purton Liaison Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Liaison Committee meeting held at Purton Village Hall on 28 June 2018.

PRESENT

Purton Parish Council

Richard Collins (RC)

Cricklade Town Council

No attendee (apology received)

Wiltshire Council

Jacqui Lay (JL)

Braydon Parish

No attendees (apology received)

The Environment Agency

No attendee (apology received)

Hills Waste Solutions Limited

Simon Allen (SA) Henry Newbery (HN)

The Hills Group Limited

Monique Hayes (MH)

	Action
Apologies	
Apologies received from: Neil Martin (Env. Agency), Emma Brook (Braydon), Chris Hodgson (Cricklade). SA stated that as a matter of policy that the Env Agency would only attend meetings going forward if they were responding to a material non-compliance or were taking action against a substantiated public complaint. SA advised that the Env Agency had confirmed that there had been no complaints registered for the site since the last meeting. Whilst Brian Fitzpatrick's is away from the office Simon Allen is the point of contact and provided contact details.	
1. Meeting chairperson	
JL acted as the chairperson. Introductions were done to welcome new member	
2. Minutes of the previous meeting	
 JL reported the following amendment to the minutes of the previous meeting: Item 6 – 'SA advised that the proposal to develop a second site access road via Lower Pavenhill would no longer be pursued by the company and that option to trigger the lease break on the rail bridge had not been activated.' Minutes of the previous meeting as circulated were approved. JL advised that a weight limit will be sought on the access road via Ridgeway and this was noted 	

3. Parkgate Farm landfill operations

- SA advised that the non-hazardous cell had been mothballed and reminded members that the site permit allowed both hazardous and asbestos waste to be tipped into the same cell. 19,000 tonnes had been tipped since the last meeting, which equates to around 40,000 tonnes per year, the site permit allows 50,000 tonnes per year.
- SA advised that engineering works are to commence on cell 5 and explained the process confirming that clay required is available on site with only 20,000 tonnes of clay permitted to leave site each year. Cell construction is expected to be completed by Aug / Sept and some earthmoving equipment will be required on site to undertake these works.
- SA advised that Cell 3 is now ready to be restored following completion of capping.

4. Composting

- SA reported that Wiltshire Council's green waste comes to Parkgate Farm mainly between April and September and the majority is transferred from Lower Compton. The site has planning permission to take 32,000 tonnes per annum.
- SA advised that on 30 July a new 8 year contract with Wiltshire Council will commence however there will be no change to the material received.
- SA advised that ninety percent of the green waste received at the site is generated from the Council contract and the remainder is other local green waste.
- JL reported that some local residents were unhappy that loose compost was no longer available from Purton HRC. HN advised that whilst provision of compost was not a primary activity at HRCs, following agreement with the new HRC contractor, bagged compost will be available from all HRCs in Wiltshire. SA confirmed that there is a current shortage of bagged compost at HRCs due to production and testing delays, but that supply would be restored in due course.

5. Planning applications

- SA advised that following the five planning permissions granted to Hills in relation to Lower Compton and Sands Farm in Calne, the pending planning application to make the composting operations at Parkgate Farm permanent and increase the composting throughput to 50,000 tonnes per year would now be progressed. SA confirmed that the committee will be advised when the planning application is resubmitted. JL advised that a request is to be made to provide kerb edging between Mopes Lanes and Packhorse Corner.
- SA advised that a separate planning application had been submitted to allow the Parkgate Farm facility to be opened on Bank Holidays as a result of a request from Wiltshire Council under the new 8 year contract.
- SA gave a brief outline of Hills planning application to construct an advanced thermal treatment plant in Westbury adjacent to the current MBT plant and explained that solid recovered fuel from the MBT could be sent to the new plant in place of being transported to Europe. The matter was discussed.

6. Recycling operations update

- HN advised that Hills had retained 2 HRCs under the new contract with Wiltshire Council – Purton and Honeyball near Calne.
- HN advised that some updates were being made to Purton HRC with the
 installation of 2 new traversing compactors and a Rollpacker for cardboard
 and wood. This will create more space on site and work will be scheduled for
 days the site is closed to minimise disruption to the public.
- JL asked how the trailer permits and the requirement to produce identification
 when using the site was working. HN advised that staff on site are making the
 necessary checks but are not an enforcing authority and can only report
 instances of non-compliance.
- RC asked if any changes were proposed to opening times / days and if items

for reuse could be made available. HN reported that he was not aware of any changes to opening times / dates and that suitable bric-a-brac is sent to the Repair Academy, a social enterprise, near Calne where items are repaired and made available to those on low incomes.	
7. Any other business	
 JL advised on the public consultation currently taking place in regard to the potential closure of Everleigh HRC HN confirmed that as from 30 July Wiltshire residents will be able to recycle cardboard, plastic bottles, food and drink cartons, plastic pots, tubs and trays in their kerbside blue-lidded wheelie bins. 	
8. Date of next meeting	
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 6 December 2018 at 16:00.	HILLS