

Purton Liaison Committee Meeting

Minutes of the Liaison Committee meeting held at Millennium Hall, Purton on 31 January 2019.

PRESENT

Purton Parish Council

No representative

Cricklade Town Council

Chris Hodgson (CH)

Wiltshire Council

Jacqui Lay (JL)

Braydon Parish

Deborah Goodman (DG) Emma Brook (EB)

The Environment Agency

No attendee (apology received)

Hills Waste Solutions Limited

Simon Allen (SA) Henry Newbery (HN) Brian Fitzpatrick (BF)

The Hills Group Limited

Monique Hayes (MH)

	Action
Apologies	
Apologies received from : Neil Martin (Env. Agency), Purton Parish Council.	
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 Environment Agency had confirmed that there had been no complaints registered for the site since the last meeting.	
1. Meeting chairperson	
 JL acted as the chairperson. Introductions were done to welcome members 	
2. Minutes of the previous meeting	
 Minutes of the previous meeting as circulated were approved. JL stated that reference in the last minutes under section 2: seeking weight limit on Ridgeway access road; and section 5: request for kerb edging between Mopes Lane and Packhouse Corner were both personal requests of hers and not proposed by Wiltshire Council. 	
3. Parkgate Farm landfill operations	
BF reported that approximately 28,000 tonnes of hazardous waste and 15,000 tonnes of green waste had been accepted into the site since the last	

meeting in June 2018. SA gave an explanation of wastes classified as hazardous and confirmed that a WAC (waste acceptance criteria) test needed to be passed before waste can come into the site with the exception of asbestos waste where a WAC test wasn't required SA confirmed that no liquid waste is accepted at the site. SA advised that very little biodegradable waste is tipped at Parkgate Farm landfill MH/HILLS SA offered members of Braydon Parish a meeting to attend a site visit. MH to arrange JL reported a complaint from a local resident regarding frequent punctures. It was agreed that this could be as a result of people bringing material to the household recycling centre as loads on HGVs are required to be secure. BF confirmed that Mopes Lane is regularly cleared using a road sweeper. 4. Composting 15,000 tonnes of green waste received and 8,017 tonnes of compost was BF advised that only half the green waste received will become saleable product due to moisture loss and unsuitable material removed during screening. BF confirmed that rainwater collected from the concrete pad is held in storage tanks and sent predominantly to the leachate treatment plant at Chapel Farm for treatment or alternatively to another plant in Avonmouth. The equates to between 7,000m3 – 9,000m3 of liquid per year (approximately 300 vehicles per year or 1 per day over a 5.5 day working week) JL reported a complaint she had received from a local resident, however no contact was made with the site to report this. SA reported that no complaints had been received from the Environment Agency since 2015. EB reported that she had made complaints to the Environment Agency during this period, but it appears that these have not been passed onto the site. SA to investigate this matter with the Environment Agency SA and BF reminded members to make contact with the site immediately if they had a complaint so that it could be addressed straight away and investigations can be done into the source of odours. EB stated that sometimes odours are experienced from other local sources and not necessarily Hills' site. 5. Planning applications SA advised that planning application was being resubmitted to increase the green waste tonnage into Parkgate Farm from 32,000 tonnes per annum to 50,000 tonnes per annum. 6. Recycling operations update HN advised that 2 new traversing compactors and a Rollpacker for cardboard and wood had been installed at the Purton HRC site. This had created more space on site and will reduce vehicle movements as bins will need to be changed less frequently. HN advised that the winter month tend to be guieter at the HRC. Volumes were around 300 tonnes – 400 tonnes per month with around 10,000 visitors per month.

HN confirmed that site staff are making the necessary checks on trailer permits and identification but are not an enforcing authority and can only

CH enquired if fly tipping had increased at the Purton HRC and HN advised

report instances of non-compliance to Wiltshire Council.

that it had not. • HN confirmed that items for reuse are collected at the site and sent to the Repair Academy in Calne where goods are repaired and sold.	
7. Any other business	
There was no other business.	
8. Date of next meeting	
The next meeting will be held on Thursday, 6 June at 16:00. Venue to be advised	HILLS