



Minutes of the Purton liaison committee meeting held at Purton Village Hall on 24 July 2025 at 16.00.

PRESENT

Wiltshire Council

Cllr Jacqui Lay (JL)
Cllr Nick Dye (ND)
Pat Russell (PR)
Dean Thomas (DT)

Purton Parish Council

Geoff Greenaway (GG)

Cricklade Town Council

Cara Watson (CW)

Hills Waste Solutions Ltd

Simon Allen (SA)
David Byatt (DB)

APOLOGIES

Tim Forster
Braydon Parish

	ACTION												
Minutes of previous meeting													
<ul style="list-style-type: none">GG queried whether J Szymanski was a Councillor.													
Parkgate Farm landfill operations													
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> DB reported that roughly 70% of green waste accepted is Wiltshire Council Waste (WCC) and Gloucestershire County Council (GCC) makes up 25%. The breakdown over the last 6 months in the table below. Breakdown DB to distribute figures to include vehicles movements in and out of the site and confirm GCC contract expiry. Figures as circulated post meeting as follows: 																																												
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> With the site experiencing such a dry period over this six months DB explained the effect is less green waste being produced and less leachate also being exported. One complaint had been received from JL recently. It was agreed that the likely source was from farmers land spreading 																																												
Planning applications																																												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Solar Farm on Purton landfill – SA advised that there may well be some internal soil movements over the Autumn and Spring but construction of the solar park was now not likely to commence until Spring 2026. 																																												
Recycling update																																												
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> SA advised that recycling rates from HRC at approx. 79%. Tonnages received were up by 8% on the same period last year but the biggest increase was in municipal (black bag) tonnes. The recent satisfaction survey concluded that 99% of residents asked were either satisfied or very satisfied with the service. SA confirmed that 3 incidents of violence and aggression have been recorded against our staff (1 at Purton HRC). Hills have joined with the Council's 'No excuse for abuse' initiative. 																																												
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Traffic Management Plan (TMP) – GG reminded the meeting that vehicles not following the TMP should be reported to Hills although instances were minimal. Water Management – SA confirmed that Hills had received a letter from Purton Parish Council regarding clearing of ditches. SA confirmed that the flooding of the ditches on Hills land was because there were blockages downstream on land not owned by Hills. Hills would respond to the parish council on that basis. JL confirmed contact with Richard Williams from WC. JL to pass SA details to Richard Williams. GG thanked Hills for their contribution to hi-vis and litter pickers for the recent flytipping clean up 																																												

• ND requested to be invited to the next site visit. DB to arrange	DB
Next meeting The next meeting will be held on Thursday 4 December at 16:00 at the Purton Village Hall.	All