



ENVIRECOVER COMMUNITY LIAISON GROUP (CLG)

Minutes of ninth meeting, held at the HZI site office.

Monday 16th May 2016 at 17.00 hrs.

Attendees

Caroline Macdonald (CM), OggaDoon (chair for this meeting)
Ian Barber (IB) – Marketing Director, Severn Waste Services
Richard Woodward (RW) – Waste Services Manager, Worcestershire County Council
Eve Jones (EJ) – Member of Hartlebury Parish Council
Sheridan Tranter (ST) – Chair of Hartlebury Parish Council
James Homer (JH) – Chairman of Elmley Lovett Parish Council
John Jordan (JJ) – Clerk to Ombersley and Doverdale Parish Council
Kate Stott (KS) – Education Officer, Severn Waste Services
Mark Lane (ML) – Planning Officer, Worcestershire County Council
Paddy Kelly (PK) – Maintenance Manager, Mercia Waste Management
Stacey Wright (SW) – Operations Manager, Mercia Waste Management
Doug Ingram (DG) – Chair of Ombersley and Doverdale Parish Council
Joshua Scholes – Planning Officer, Worcestershire County Council
Simon Ganley – Plant Manager, Worcestershire County Council

Apologies

Nicolas Wright (NW) Clerk to Elmley Lovett Parish Council
Cllr Nigel Dowty (ND) – Local Member, Wychavon District Council and CLG Chair
Mark Bishop (MB) – Planning Development Control Manager, Worcestershire County
Steve Aldridge (SA) – Planning officer, Worcestershire County Council
Maurice Broomfield (MBr) – Ward Member, Worcestershire County Council

Invited but no response

Phil Merrick (PM) – Head of Community Services, Wychavon District Council
Javier Nicolas (JN) – Technical Manager, Mercia Waste Management
Sarah Dennis (SD) – Environment Agency

1. Welcome and Introductions

Welcome issued and introductions made.

2. Actions from last meeting

All completed.

3. Update from Mercia/HZI and commissioning plans– see appendix for update from HZI

IB: The construction update bulletin has not been issued for a while as the works are now inside the building. Following the CLG we will issue the next one to capture the latest developments.

SG: The commissioning timeline has not changed from our last meeting.

SG: Commissioning starts July/August, with oil first then waste.

IB: Since the last meeting, we've decided to do a flyer drop for individual residents within say a one mile radius from the plant to explain what is happening particularly as people will see and hear activities. Do we need to go further than the one mile drop?

EJ: Do you intend only to do Waresley Park out of the whole of Hartlebury?

IB: The one-mile radius includes it and we see no point going further than we need to, for example, we don't see the need to leaflet Ombersley (agreed by O&DPC). Please come back to us with your thoughts.

ST: Can we include Crossway Green as it has a big viewing area of the estate?

Action: IB to send radius round to ST who will advise back

JH: Can we include Cutnall Green please too?

Action: IB to include Cutnall Green

SG: The EnviRecover operational team is fully recruited except for the stores person. They come from a variety of locations (quite a lot locally), a few from Ironbridge and Rugeley plants, . At the end of July, all should be on site.

DI: Why have they come from Ironbridge and Rugeley?

SG: Ironbridge no longer have a licence and Rugeley can't get a licence to operate beyond 2017 due to the EU directive on coal emissions

EJ: Is there a list of WID limits for emissions in the draft?

IB: We included the chart in the presentation at the last meeting.

Action: IB to issue table of limits for emissions

EJ: Is there a range of emissions to trigger automatic shut down of the plant?

SG: The range of issues that can trigger a shut down is massive.

IB: Are you talking about what the steps are to make plant shut down or events to cause a shut down?

EJ: Both really.

SG: There is a listed procedure which has a sequence of actions. Most are set in the auto programme and send a signal to each control group which operate an automatic system.

PK: High temperature, pressures, stresses on the plant are all examples of issues that could cause a shut down. What we wish to do is to smooth out operations and safe guard against situations like this from happening.

SW: There are warning alarms if the plant is getting close to a parameter. If we get one, we activate a controlled shut down of the plant.

IB: Is there a document that covers that?

PK: There is a schedule of the trips and impact on the plant.

SG: There is a simple diagram on what would shut the plant down but not for the steps to take.

PK: The list will be developed as they are produced according to plants set up.

PK: We have two weeks maintenance each year.

EJ: What about emission limits?

SG: There are two actions the operator can perform and that is to turn the burner off and shut waste flow down. This means there is automatic inhibition of the feeder and cranes. When we stop feeding waste, the oil burner cuts in to maintain the furnace at 850 degrees and we burn off the residue on the grate. Then we shut the plant or come back on to waste. This depends on the event; it is not usually emissions, it could be something in the waste feedstock we are not expecting.

4. Feedback from Mercia

IB: I've had three enquiries. The first one was about air quality monitoring which has been responded to. The second was a complaint about noise in relation to cable works as a sub contractor generator was running out of hours. It was a sub contractor error and was wrong. We apologised and the work is now completed. Finally a couple of tenants were concerned about the utilities reinstatement works.

ST: I've been asked about the sound monitoring?

IB: There is a specific planning condition related to noise monitoring. We need to review background conditions round the four noise receptors. We are aiming to programme in over a weekend in next 2/3 weeks with additional monitoring when the plant is operational.

ST: The Brickworks are undertaking repairs to their generator which is loud (26 DB above their permitted limit) and could distort the background level. Can you work around this?

IB: We spoke to WRS and the brickworks are not closed until July which is too late for us. We aim to get representative background levels in the quietest conditions that we can control.

ST: You need to contact WRS to check with brickworks about extra volume levels.

IB: We need to do it for the conditions, WRS are aware and we are doing what the regulator thinks is best.

EJ: So there is a planning condition for noise not air quality which is more important to residents.

IB: Yes.

6. Topic for next meeting

Standing items only unless there is a suggestion in the interim.

Next meeting 4th July 2016.

7. AOB

None

Site visit.