



Minutes of the Northacre Resource Recovery Centre liaison committee meeting held on 15 January 2015.

**Present**

**Wiltshire Council**

Jo Riley (JR)  
 Dean Thomas (DT)  
 John Carter (JC)  
 Cllr J Wickham (JW)  
 Cllr H Prickett (HP)

**Westbury Town Council**

Cllr S Ezra (SE)

**Heywood Parish Council**

Cllr Francis Morland (FM)

**Environment Agency**

Paul Wilkinson (PW)

**Hills Waste Solutions**

Simon Thomas (ST)  
 Ed Dodd (ED)

**Hills Group**

Monique Hayes (MH)

	<b>ACTION</b>
<b>1. Apologies</b>	
Councillor David Jenkins	
<b>2. Minutes of the previous meeting</b>	
Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.	
<b>3. Update on site progress</b>	
<p><b>Site operations</b>            ST advised that there were no operational issues with the plant and confirmed that output rates of SRF were at target levels.</p> <p>ST advised that deliveries of SRF to Europe had been suspended between 20 December and 5 January due to lack of haulage availability over the festive season. Additional haulage loads were now being undertaken to clear the backlog by the end of January. Temporary storage of the SRF on site had been agreed with the Environment Agency.</p> <p><b>Environmental Compliance</b>  <u>Complaints</u>            ST, PW and JC all reported that no complaints had been received in relation to the plant since the last meeting.</p> <p><b><u>Pest control</u></b>            ED confirmed that the fly management plan remained operational. ED advised that the design of a new, automated fly fogging system had been agreed and would go into fabrication and was due to be installed by during the next quarter subject to approvals. ED advised that the system</p>	

<p>would be operated from the control room and is thought to be a first of its kind for an MBT plant in the UK.</p> <p><b>PPC Permit</b> PW confirmed that the application submitted to the Environment Agency to convert the Waste Management Licence to a PPC Permit is progressing.</p> <p><b>Trials</b> ED advised that in agreement with Wiltshire Council, small scale treatment trials of non-household waste sourced from within Wiltshire will be conducted to determine the effect on SRF quality. JR confirmed that these trials will be undertaken cautiously so as to not affect the current good performance of the plant.</p>	
<b>4. Planning applications</b>	
<p><b>Outlet for SRF / Northacre Renewable Energy</b> ED confirmed that following the public consultation held between 13 October and 5 December 2014, during which Hills' also presented its plans to the Westbury Area Board meeting, a planning application to build a renewable energy centre (using advanced thermal treatment called gasification) adjacent to the Northacre RRC, had been submitted to Wiltshire Council on 22 December 2014.</p> <p>ED confirmed that the planning application was available via the Wiltshire Council website and comments were being invited until 13 February, with an anticipated decision date of 13 April 2015.</p> <p>MH confirmed that a feedback newsletter, detailing the results of the public consultation, had been provided to all members of the public who participated in the public consultation and that details had also been updated on the website <a href="http://www.northacre-energy.co.uk">www.northacre-energy.co.uk</a> The results of the consultation were discussed.</p>	
<b>5. Any other business</b>	
<p><b>Transport</b> HP reported that dustcarts are not following the agreed transport route in the Hawkeridge area. JR to investigate this with Wiltshire Council as these are not Hills' vehicles.</p>	
<b>6. Next meeting</b>	
<p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 14 May at 4pm at the Northacre RRC.</p>	<p>All</p>