



Minutes of the Northacre Resource Recovery Centre liaison committee meeting held on 22 November 2018 at the Northacre RRC site meeting room.

Present

Wiltshire Council

Jo Emery – Waste Management Team Leader(JR)
Tom Bennell – Waste Officer(TB)
John Carter – Head of Public Protection(JC)
Russell Hawker – Councillor Westbury West (RH)

Westbury Town Council

Councillor Nick Pyne (NP)

Heywood Parish Council

Councillor Francis Morland (FM)

Environment Agency

No representative

Arla Foods

George Nicholls (GN)

Hills Waste Solutions

Ed Dodd (ED)
Paul Scriven (PS)
Monique Hayes (MH)

	ACTION
1. Apologies	
Cllr David Jenkins	
2. Minutes of the previous meeting	
Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.	
3. Update on site operations	
<u>Site Operations</u> PS confirmed that operations were running smoothly apart from 4 days over two period when waste inputs were suspended to allow mechanical repairs to be undertaken. PS advised that a scheduled 5 days maintenance shutdown had been successfully completed and that the next shutdown is due to take place in the last week of February 2019. PS confirmed that the sixth year of the contract with Wiltshire Council had commenced. PS advised that the fire detection system had identified smoke in the compressor room of the refinement area of the plant; this was caused by a minor oil leak on the compressor that dripped onto a drive belt, friction caused the smoke. Hills alarm monitoring contractor requested the attendance of the Fire Service but they were stood down immediately on arrival.	
<u>Environmental Compliance</u> PS confirmed that no complaints regarding flies, odours or any other matter had been received at the site since the last meeting. PS confirmed that only 2 complaints regarding flies had been received in total this year, an excellent record when considering the extreme temperatures experienced over the summer. GN confirmed that the adjoining diary business had not had any problem with flies this year.	

<p>PS reported that the first set of stack emission monitoring results had been received following the replacement of the biofilter material earlier in the year; all results were below the EA permit consent levels and will be reported as such to the EA in the sites annual reporting requirements.</p>	
4. Planning applications	
<p>There are no planning applications for the MBT plant.</p>	
5. Any other business	
<p><u>Trespassers</u> PS reported that trespassers had been removed from the land alongside the site by agents for the landowners.</p> <p><u>Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service</u> PS reported that work is ongoing with DWFRS to develop training opportunities for responders in relation to best practice when attending events at waste operations.</p> <p><u>Update – EA / fly management plant</u> In response to an enquiry from RH, PS advised that we are continuing our discussions with the Environment Agency to update the fly management plan. ED explained the enforcement process including OPRA scoring used by the Environment Agency to escalate issues if required and how this process needs to be evidence based.</p> <p><u>Update – previous fires</u> In response to an enquiry from RH, PS advised that no further fire incidents have occurred in the bio-hall since February this year due to improved air movement and extraction through the waste combined with the new bio filter. PS provided details on how fire incidents are dealt with and how the in-house fire suppression system works. RH commented that this was a good news story and should be shared publically.</p> <p><u>Vehicle depot</u> FM enquired on progress. PS advised that ground preparation works are underway and it is likely that construction work will commence in Spring 2019. JR advised that it is not a contractual obligation to establish a liaison committee for the vehicle depot. ED suggested that a representative from the depot could be invited to attend the Northacre RRC liaison meetings.</p> <p><u>Transfer station</u> JR advised that if the waste transfer station was progressed and became part of the current waste management contract with Wiltshire Council, there is a contractual obligation to establish a liaison committee and a decision would need to be taken in the future as to whether that committee could be combined with the Northacre RRC liaison committee to save resources. JR confirmed that the transfer station would handle garden waste and mixed recyclable material and any municipal solid waste would continue to go directly into the MBT plant.</p>	
6. Next meeting	
<p>The next meeting will be held on Thursday 21 March 2019.</p>	<p>ALL</p>