

Minutes of the Northacre Resource Recovery Centre liaison committee meeting held on 21 March 2019 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) Dean Thomas – Planning Enforcement (DT) 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)

	ACTION
1. Apologies	
Cllr David Jenkins; Monique Hayes (Hills); Jim Wilkinson (Environment Agency)	
2. Minutes of the previous meeting	
Minutes of the previous meeting were accepted.	
3. Update on site operations	
Site Operations PS confirmed that operations were running smoothly since the last meeting with only preventative maintenance and minor repairs being carried out that did not require suspension of operations. PS advised that a scheduled 5 day planned maintenance shutdown in February had been successfully completed and that the next full shutdown is due to take place in the second week of November this year.  Environmental Compliance PS confirmed that no complaints regarding flies, odours or any other matter had been received at the site since the last meeting.	
4. Planning applications	
There are no planning applications for the MBT plant.	

5. Any other business	
Dorset & Wiltshire Fire Service PS responded to a question regarding DWFRS and the training opportunities for responders in relation to best practice when attending events at waste operations. DWFRS have not communicated any training package to HWS as yet as they promised. PS will make contact with DWFRS to see if they still wish to collaborate.	PS
Fires PS again advised that no further fire incidents have occurred in the bio-hall since February 2018 and that discussions continued to be held with the EA.	
Vehicle depot It was confirmed that initially only the Depot would be constructed. A business case review is necessary before deciding whether to build the transfer station or not.	
Northacre Renewable Energy (NRE) ED updated on the project. RH corrected a comment made by ED. It was not RH who requested that the planning approval be "called in" by the Secretary of State; he just requested that the application went to committee. ED commented that there was no reason why the planning approval would be "called in" and that once the approval was received the Judicial Review period of 6 weeks would commence, with construction beginning immediately after. RH asked whether construction would start without an EA permit. ED replied yes; the permit application has been prepared and will be submitted following final planning approval. The plant will not be able to operate without a permit in any event.	
NRE Liaison ED confirmed that a construction phase liaison group would be established. This group would be separate to the Northacre Resource Recovery Centre liaison committee but may follow on afterwards. The contractor would attend and consultation held to determine the further make-up of the group.	HILLS
6. Next meeting	
The next meeting will be held on Thursday 24 October 2019.	ALL