



Amesbury RMF Liaison committee

Minutes of a Liaison Committee meeting held online with Microsoft Teams at 16.00 on 22 October 2020.

PRESENT

Wiltshire Council

Cllr John Smale – Bulford, Allington & Figeldean (JS)
Cllr Fred Westmoreland – Amesbury West (FW)
Cllr Robert Yuill (RY) – Amesbury Town Council and Wiltshire Council
Vicki Harris (VH)

Hills Waste Solutions Ltd

Matt Nicholls (MN)
Henry Newbery (HN)

The Hills Group Limited

Monique Hayes (MH)

	ACTION
1. Apologies	
Charlie Langlands – Environment Agency	
2. Minutes of the last meeting	
The meeting was chaired by Cllr John Smale. The minutes of the meeting held on 13 March 2019 were accepted as correct. There were no minutes from the meeting scheduled for 18 September 2019 as it did not go ahead.	
3. Site / Operation update	
MN reported that there had been changes made to the internal layout of the building following the changes made in March 2020 to the kerbside recycling collection service. MN advised that HGVs from the kerbside service were no longer parking at the site and this had resulted in less traffic movements. MN advised that only 2 vehicles from Hills' commercial waste collection service now parked on site. HN advised that there were no issues to report on the site and that the site had not received any complaints since the last meeting.	
4. Any other business	
<u>Frequency of meetings</u> HN asked members if they were satisfied with the frequency of meetings or if these should be reduced to one every 12 months. FW suggested that the meetings remain at 6-month intervals, but that members be contacted in advance of each meeting to see if they required it to proceed. MH to administer this.	MH/Hills
<u>Redesign of residual waste rounds</u> VH advised that Wiltshire Council and Hills are in the process of redesigning these collection rounds and this may result in a slight increase in vehicle	

<p>movements at the site, but not an increase in tonnage.</p> <p><u>Affect of COVID on recycling volumes</u> HN reported that some domestic recycling streams had seen a large increase during the pandemic and particularly during lockdown(eg glass) which had caused some service delivery problems as vehicles had to return to base to tip-off during their collection rounds. HN explained that this was unforeseen as the new waste management contract commenced on 9 March just before the national lockdown leaving no opportunity to collect data for comparison.</p> <p><u>New materials recycling facility at Sands Farm, Calne</u> HN advised that all domestic kerbside recycling is taken to the new material recycling facility at Sands Farm in Calne for sorting and onward transfer to reprocessors.</p> <p><u>'Take Charge' battery recycling campaign</u> MH advised that Hills and Wiltshire Council will be supporting the ESA's national battery recycling campaign being launched on Monday 26 October to raise awareness of the dangers of placing batteries in general household waste and encouraging consumers to recycle dead batteries using specialist battery recycling services, and to never throw batteries away alongside general rubbish or other recycling.</p> <p><u>Booking system at HRCs</u> VH advised that whilst social distancing measures were still in place, the requirement to book a slot at any Wiltshire HRC would remain applicable.</p>	
5. Date of next meeting	
<p>The next meeting, if required, will be held on Thursday 11 March 2021 at 16.00.</p>	<p>ALL</p>