



**Lower Compton Community Liaison Committee Meeting**

Minutes of the Liaison Committee meeting held at the MRF on 27 January 2016 at 6pm.

**PRESENT**

**Compton Bassett Parish Council**

Peter Szczesiak (PS)

**Calne Without Parish Council**

Kate Morley

**Calne Town Council**

No attendees

**Cherhill Parish Council**

David Grafton (DG)

**Wiltshire Council**

No attendees

**CPRE**

No attendees

**Lower Compton No. 1 Residents Committee**

No attendees

**Environment Agency (EA)**

No attendees

**Hills Waste Solutions Limited**

Steve Burns, Divisional director (SB)

Monique Hayes, communications officer

	<b>Action</b>
<b>1. Apologies received</b>	
Apologies received from: Dean Thomas, planning enforcement officer, Wiltshire Council Charlie Oram, Calne Without Parish council Sue Everett, Environment Agency Cllr Christine Crisp, Wiltshire Council John Lewis, Lower Compton No.1 Residents Committee	
<b>2. Previous minutes update / matters arising</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB reported back on the odour issue that was reported by J Lewis at the previous meeting. This was identified as coming from the aeration of the leachate pond. The aeration pumps have now been placed onto a timer and will only operate when the wind conditions are favourable.</li> <li>SB advised that the lorry photographed turning round in Briar Leaze had been identified as a sub-contractor for Berrymans, and that Hills had written to Berrymans about this. Pete Szczesiak reported sighting of lorry turning left when leaving the Lower Compton site. SB agreed that as this particular problem continues, Hills may consider placing a larger sign on the roundabout outside the site. This matter will be kept under review.</li> </ul>	Hills
<b>3. Planning applications</b>	
<u>Lower Compton</u> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>SB explained that the Section 73 applications (to remove the condition that limits the time on the MRF) and the CLEUD application (relating to the transfer of municipal waste from the concrete pad) had been delayed by Wiltshire's planners.</li> <li>SB stated that Hills had been informed that the Appeal relating to the planning application for an extension to the MRF building would be heard on 6 September 2016 with a decision expected around 30 October 2016.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB explained how this date presents a challenge as Hills is preferred bidder for Lots within the waste management contract with Wiltshire Council which allowed for a MRF at Lower Compton and as such there would not be sufficient time to construct the size building required to accommodate the changes in recycle processing that are stipulated in Lot 5 of the new contract. As a result recycled products will either have to be transported outside of the county to other MRF facilities or be landfilled.</li> <li>• Members questioned why no other alternative arrangements had been put in place, and SB advised that Hills had been certain that planning permission for the extended MRF would be granted and had not anticipated this length of delay.</li> <li>• SB explained the potential cost implications to the county as a result of this situation.</li> <li>• SB gave details on the existing Wiltshire Council depots that Hills proposed retaining and where proposed new depots are likely to be. These would all be subject to planning permission and should result in fewer vehicles into Lower Compton.</li> <li>• SB confirmed that as preferred bidder Hills propose to purchase all new Euro 6 standard vehicles as no assets were due to be transferred under the new waste management contract.</li> </ul>	
<b>4. Landfill operations and restoration works</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB advised that 2 complaints had been received via the EA – one regarding vehicle movements on the night of Saturday 3 October which was investigated and found to not be coming from Hills site; and the other on Sunday 4 October regarding odour which was investigated by the site manager. The issue seems to be odour from the compost lagoon. This has been actioned by fitting a wind switch on to the aerator which turns it off if the wind is blowing towards Lower Compton.</li> <li>• Other complaints made direct to the site included: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 11 October – noise complaint, attributed to the HRC being serviced / bins changed</li> <li>• 15 October – odour complaint (see above for action)</li> <li>• 5 Jan – HGV in Compton Bassett</li> <li>• Jan – litter on cycle path behind Cell 23, litter picked</li> <li>• 20 Jan – litter on road, litter picked</li> </ul> </li> <li>• SB advised that landfilling is now in cell 23, with construction of cell 24 due to commence in June. Following that the only area remaining would be Old Camp Farm which included the current lorry park area and the land north of that.</li> </ul>	
<b>5. Compost and wood chipping update</b>	
<p><u>Woodchipping</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB stated that there were no issues to report with wood chipping and that product is still being sent to Europe.</li> </ul> <p><u>Compost</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB reported that 1,500 tonnes of green waste will be composted on site and which will be used on cell restoration.</li> </ul>	
<b>6. Recycling operations update</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB reported that for Quarter 3 to the end of December 2015, tonnages are lower compared to the previous year by approximately 10,000 tonnes – garden waste accounting for 7,500 tonnes of this.</li> <li>• SB advised that this was not due to the change in the garden waste collection service, but more down to the dry weather in 2015.</li> <li>• SB advised that we expected to reach the 1.5 million tonnes diverted from landfill milestone by October 2016.</li> </ul>	

<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB gave an update on Porte Marsh operations and confirmed that the site was processing around 1,300 tonnes of material as expected.</li> <li>• SB advised that the forecast is for 126,000 tonnes of recycling for the year which is about 10,000 short of what was expected.</li> </ul>	
<b>7. Aggregates and concrete operations update</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• SB advised that Hills Quarry Products will be submitting a ROMP application for Freeth Farm Quarry to agree Planning conditions and a planning application for a conveyor from the Freeth Farm area to join the existing conveyor that runs from Sands Farm to Calne Quarry. Full details should be available by the next liaison meeting.</li> </ul>	
<b>9. Any other business</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• DG asked if Hills had any knowledge of the reinstatement of works at the block building site previously run by Aggregate Industries. KM advised that planning permission had been issued for the site some time ago but nothing further had happened since then.</li> <li>• KM advised that Calne Without Parish Council had received funding from the local solar farm and enquired who they would speak to for permission to plant wildflowers outside the NAAFI and along the pavement. MH advised that she is the contact person.</li> </ul>	
<b>10. Date of next meeting</b>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Date of the next meeting to be advised by Hills</li> </ul>	HILLS