



**MINUTES OF THE PURTON LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING
ON 2 JUNE 2011**

Present:

Purton Parish Council

Mike Bell, Chairman
Tony Price

Wiltshire Council

Jacqui Lay
Mari Webster

Hills Waste Solutions Limited

Ed Dodd, Disposal Team Manager (ED)
Simon Allen, Landfill Operations Manager
Brian Fitzpatrick, Site Manager (BF)
Andrea Pellegram, Technical Services Manager (AP)
Bob Tapp, Recycling Area Manager

The Hills Group Limited

Alex Henderson, Company Secretary (AH)

Apologies:

Jill Herbert, Braydon Parish
Richard Pagett, Purton Ps and Qs
Ron Harris, Purton Parish
Monique Hayes. Hills Group

1	<p>Minutes of the last meeting</p> <p>Minutes of the last meeting were accepted as correct.</p>	
2	<p>Parkgate Farm Hazardous Waste Landfill</p> <p>BF updated the meeting on operations at the site and gave details of the new asbestos cell being constructed.</p> <p>BF stated that there had been a couple of recent incidents where members of the public had been caught trespassing and departing from the sign posted footpaths. Hills' communications department to contact the parish magazine and draft an article on dangers of leaving footpath. BF to talk to the local dog warden/ rural policeman.</p>	HILLS HILLS
3	<p>Planning Applications</p> <p>ED introduced AP and explained her role within Hills Waste Solutions. ED stated that on the previous evening AP and himself had both met with the local parish planning board to present the proposals to be discussed at this meeting.</p> <p>As outlined in the previous liaison meeting, ED confirmed it was the company's intention to relocate its composting operations from Lower Compton to Parkgate Farm. As a result the tyre shredding permission would not proceed, but that a new planning permission would be required increasing the annual composting volume on the site from 37,000t to 50,000t.</p>	

	<p>ED confirmed that subject to seasonal variations, there should be no more than 15,000t of composting material on the site roughly equivalent to 3 months of collected material and stock.</p> <p>As background Mari Webster gave details of Wiltshire Council's consultation on waste collection harmonisation conducted in 2010 and confirmed the outcome of the consultation. AP detailed the planning application being prepared to alter the operations at a number of the company's operations and stated that they were in response to and to accommodate the findings of Wiltshire's consultation. AP stated that the company was undertaking pre-planning application consultation with stakeholders on these proposed changes and referred the meeting to the new section of the Hills Group website www.hills-group.co.uk/consult for further information and the ability to comment on the various proposals.</p> <p>The matter was discussed. ED gave details of the likely impact that the proposed planning application would have on vehicle movements in and around the site and confirmed that a detailed traffic survey would be undertaken as part of any planning application. ED confirmed that it was the company's intention to meet and present the proposals for the site to Cricklade Parish.</p> <p>Alternative access routes to the site were discussed, but ED stated that no plans were being considered at the present.</p>	
4	<p>Recycling Operations and HRC report</p> <p>The quarterly report circulated with the agenda was tabled to the meeting and taken as read. Recycling rates and tonnages diverted from landfill were noted.</p> <p>Mike Bell asked if it would be possible to include compliment/complaint figures expressed as a % of population of the county/ per household.</p>	HILLS
5	<p>Any Other Business</p> <p><u>Chapel Farm</u> The recent fire at Chapel Farm was discussed and ED confirmed that it had occurred in the mechanical skip sorting area, that no injury or damage resulted and operations had been up and running the following day.</p> <p><u>Wiltshire Council Planning Department</u> Mari Webster gave details of the proposed restructuring of the planning department at the Council.</p> <p><u>Purton Village Hall – kitchen refurbishment</u> Tony Price thanked the Hills Group for funding via Landfill Communities Fund of kitchen refurbishments to the village hall and invited the company to hold its next meeting at the hall.</p> <p><u>Hills Homes Development</u> AH stated that the Hills Home development at Smith's Court, Purton had been shortlisted as a finalist for a LABC West of England award.</p>	
7	<p>Next meeting</p> <p>Thursday 8 December 2011 at 4pm in Purton Village Hall</p>	All