

# **Veolia Energy Recovery Facility, Battlefield Community Liaison Group**

## Notes of meeting

**Date** 16th April 2015  
**Time** 6.00pm  
**Location** Clugstons Offices, Battlefield, Shrewsbury.

### **In Attendance**

Cllr Vernon Bushell (VB) – Chair  
Andy Bond (AB) – Environment Agency  
Grahame French (GF) – Planning Manager, Shropshire Council  
Larry Wolfe (LW) – Head of Waste Management, Shropshire Council  
Owen Evans (OE) – Bomere Heath Parish Council  
Graham Lewis (GL) – Uffington Parish Council  
Mark Foxall (MF) – Technical Support and Projects Manager  
Ben Sissons (BS) – Clugston  
David Haston (DH) – Haston Reynolds  
Mal Price – Shropshire Cllr (Battlefield Ward)  
Peter Bettis (PB) – Shrewsbury Business Chamber  
Steve Mitchell (SM) Veolia  
Miles Nichol (MN) – Veolia  
Simon Ganley (SG) - Veolia  
Hilary Hampton (HH) – Veolia  
Phil Lucas (PL) – Veolia  
Christy Robinson (CR) – Veolia

### **Apologies**

Joan Hughes (JH) – Senior Citizens Forum/Townswomens Guild  
Jeremy Jagger (JJ) – Battlefield 1403  
Walter Hodgson (WH)– Clugston  
Jon Philpin (JP) - EA  
Wendy Churchill (WC) – Senior Citizens Forum/Allotment Association  
Neil Thompson (NT) – Environment Agency  
Lynne Padmore (LP) – Uffington Parish Council  
Helen Booth (HB) – Uffington Parish Council  
Donald Macphail (DM) – Veolia

## **1 WELCOME AND REFRESHMENTS**

	Meeting commenced at 6:10pm	
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<b>2 INTRODUCTIONS</b>	
	VB welcomed those in attendance.
<b>3 UPDATE ON PUBLIC ART – JESSICA JACKSON</b>	
	<p>Jessica Jackson, the Artist selected to produce the piece of public art for Battlefield, was introduced to members of the group. Jessica gave some background as to what type of work she has done in the past and explained that she is an Upcycler and that her company is a Social Enterprise Company. Jessica is undertaking this project in collaboration with Simon Michael-John who is a kinetic sculptor. The inspiration for the piece of artwork is the history of the site associated with the 1403 Battle of Shrewsbury. To help produce the piece of work Jessica has been working with school children from Harlescott Junior School who have been making arrow heads that will be part of the sculpture. A number of the materials being used in the sculpture will be reused including metal from a dismantled Gasometer located in Surrey that was built in 1889 in Shropshire.</p> <p>Answers were provided to a number of questions which included the following:</p> <p>LW – asked when the piece would be completed? SM reported to the meeting that the artwork requires planning permission. Veolia are in the process of collating the information to enable submission of the application.</p> <p>DH asked where the artwork will be sited? The piece of artwork will be sited on the roundabout outside of the site on Vanguard Way subject to planning approval. The planning process is expected to take 6-8 weeks then erection of the artwork will take place if permission is granted.</p> <p>JH – Asked how high the artwork will be once installed. JJ said it would be approximately 4.5 metres in height and in scale with the traffic island itself.</p> <p>DH – enquired if highways would have a problem with the movement?</p> <p>GF – dialogue has taken place with highways team, who have not raised objection. JJ said the piece would have slight movement within the artwork but that the structure would be heavy and able to withstand winds etc.</p> <p>SM requested at this time, all details remain confidential, in order not to lose impact of unveiling.</p>
<b>4 MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING</b>	
	Minutes of January 2015 meeting agreed.

<b>5 CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT</b>		
	<p>Presentation from Miles Nichol.</p> <p>The facility is now receiving full flow of vehicles and so far no issues have been experienced with regard to traffic management. The number of vehicles varies from day to day and is well within planning requirements and no complaints have been received about traffic issues.</p> <p>MP asked if all vehicles are covered when delivering or removing waste? SG confirmed vehicles are covered. SM asked that if any issues are seen regarding waste leaving vehicles that they are reported to Veolia, ideally with a registration.</p> <p>MP confirmed that a member of the public has spoken to the Daniel Kawczynski regarding provision of emissions data. SM replied that the same gentleman had been to site and this has been discussed with him. Each month the facility emissions data will be published on the Veolia web site.</p> <p>MP asked if Shropshire Council is undertaking its own monitoring. MF replied background monitoring has taken place at Sundorne Sports Village. MN confirmed off-site background monitoring took place at Sundorne Sports Village in June 2014 before the facility commenced operations and further monitoring is scheduled to take place in June 2015 at the same location. Results from the monitoring will be forwarded to the EA.</p>	<b>Veolia</b>
<b>6 COMMUNICATIONS</b>		
	<p>Leaflet to be sent out early May (after the election). MP asked if a picture of JJ and the children could be included in the leaflet. Veolia will check with the school to gain permission and include if permission gained.</p>	<b>Veolia</b>
<b>7 ENQUIRIES AND COMPLAINTS</b>		
	<p>HH - Copies of enquires and complaints relating to the facility requested at the January meeting distributed to all. SM – any queries please contact HH directly.</p>	
<b>8 AOB</b>		
	<p>HH provided an update regarding future official opening. Veolia in contact with Lord Lieutenant's office regarding possible royal visit around November 2015. Decision expected in the Summer.</p> <p>GF – Shropshire Council has received contact from the squadron leader at RAF Shawbury requesting that the aviation lights on top of the stack are turned on. A condition was imposed by the Planning Inspector for lights to be installed.</p>	

	<p>DH – turning on of the lights is not part of the planning conditions.  GF indicated that under Condition 30 an amendment could be submitted to implement the request from RAF Shawbury.  MN – there are 3 lights on top of chimney not connected at present but can be done to allow switching on subject to the correct approvals.  GF – confirmed following receipt of the letter from RAF Shawbury there is an overriding justification for the lights to go on.</p> <p>DH asked about progress with regard to the Conservation Management Plan included in the Section 106 Agreement  GF – Shropshire Council is to progress and convene steering group which will be done before next liaison meeting. Veolia has forwarded required funds into the appropriate account in line with the agreement.</p>	<b>GF  (Shropshire  Council)</b>
<b>9 NEXT MEETING</b>		
	<p>Thursday July 16<sup>th</sup> 2015</p> <p>Venue: Battlefield ERF Meeting Room.</p> <p>Meeting closed at 19.16</p>	