

Veolia Energy Recovery Facility, Battlefield Community Liaison Group

Notes of meeting

Date 22nd January 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 (MP) – 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

	Meeting commenced at 6:00pm	
2	INTRODUCTIONS	
	VB welcomed those in attendance.	
3	MINUTES FROM LAST MEETING AND MATTERS ARISING	
	Steve Mitchell did not attend the last meeting held on 21 October 2014 – minutes of last meeting agreed with this correction.	
4	CONSTRUCTION PROJECT PROGRESS REPORT	
	<p>Presentation from Miles Nichol including aerial photograph of facility.</p> <p>Main activities on Site October 2014 – January 2015:</p> <p>Process:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • First firing on oil and boiler refractory • Steam blowing on oil and waste • Installation of weighbridges • Completion of CNIM construction and hand over to CNIM commissioning <p>Civil:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Installation of site roadways and kerbing – 1,000m³ of concrete in 5 weeks • Gatehouse construction • Administration building internal fit out • Imtech Mechanical & Electrical installation and earthing • External fencing installation (part) • Connection to Severn Trent Water foul water pipe along east boundary • Cross over trench from Air Cooled Condenser to Transfer Station for future heating pipework <p>Commissioning:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Weighbridge commissioned • First burn with fuel oil 28.11.14 • Refractory drying 12.12.14 – 14.12.14 • First delivery of waste 17.12.14 • First burn with waste 23.12.14 <p>Three Month Programme: January – March 2015</p> <p>Civil Construction</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Visitor staircase and walkway installation (south façade) 	

- Administration building final fixtures
- Detention basin construction (north east corner)
- Transfer station cross over trench and ramps (north west corner)
- Re-routing of waste vehicles to eastern ERF site entrance/weighbridge
- Removal of existing TS gatehouse and weighbridges
- Commence household recycling centre extension construction

Process Construction

- Construction clean down
- Snagging/action close out
- Documentation control

Commissioning:

- Turbine synchronization and export of electricity to WPD Network
- Reliability Test Period and Guarantee Testing (April-May)

Once re-routing of waste vehicles to the eastern ERF site entrance/weighbridge has taken place, the Household Recycling Centre (HRC) extension construction work will start. 10 bays for containers and 10 spaces for car parking which will assist in waiting times.

Q. Peter Bettis – What waste will the skips be used for?

A. Rubble/scrap metal and other heavy materials that will not blow away.

Q. Mal Price – Concern did arise regarding steam blowing that released steam at a low level... Could do with providing information to the public.

MN – This information can be added to future leaflet – “what you can expect to see”. Whilst steam blowing has now ended and therefore steam will not be released at ground level, some steam will be released on occasion from a valve at the top of the turbine building..

MN – Explained HRC extension construction schedule During building (4 months) only half of the exit ramp will be available. (same as what happens now but just narrower exit). Public vehicles will continue to use the same exit ramp.

LW asked how will the additional containers will be removed once the extension is completed?

MN – all service vehicles/waste activities will be accessed from the north of the HRC extension.

PB – trade waste?

GT – trade should not be coming into the HRC. Trade waste will be

	<p>received via the new weighbridge.</p> <p>SG discussed recruitment. The team of 21 people is now complete, all have been recruited within a 40 mile area of site.</p>	
5 COMMUNICATIONS		
	<p>Public art – meeting in mid December – 4 artists interviewed (17 applications). HH confirmed it was a hard decision to make and the artist will be announced soon., HH proposes that the artist comes along to the next meeting to show what the piece will look like.</p> <p>GF – artist has managed to bring together the vision of old/modern.</p> <p>Group agreed to the artist attending next meeting. HH to organise</p> <p>A number of enquiries have been received regarding the facility</p> <p>MP – round robin e-mail has been sent out from Michael Ryan to Shropshire Council regarding the Health effects of the facility, SM – health was a major topic at the public enquiry and was therefore considered in detail during this process.</p> <p>Discussion took place on if CLG attendees would like to invite the Health Officer to the next meeting for a briefing on this subject? General consensus that this topic has been covered in great detail previously and therefore does not require further review by the CLG. VB asked all those in favour to not invite the Health Officer. 1 abstention (DH) 16 in favour of proposal.</p> <p>HH confirmed some complaints have been received that Veolia has or will reply to. DH –Can we see details of complaint of next meeting? Agreed Veolia to provide summary of enquiries and responses at next meeting.</p> <p>HH – confirmed one query received from Mr Harrop regarding lights on site. MN has spoken to Mr Harrop re: lighting, which will be reduced at night time. There is more lighting now during construction. –</p> <p>DH – Confirmed light box from the main building. White/halo effect from the direction of the ERF that could be contributed to by Mercedes dealership lighting..</p> <p>GF – Confirmed operational lighting not in place yet, as facility still in construction. Light spillage and elevation has been taken into account through the planning process. The lighting will be considered after construction has finished to ensure it is consistent with the agreed lighting scheme.</p>	<p>HH</p>

	<p>GF – Some lights at the Veolia Bridgnorth facility caused a complaint and the issue was fixed very quickly.</p>	<p>Veolia</p>
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6 AOB

	<p>PB – security any issues?</p> <p>MN – no intruder/security issues.</p> <p>PB – use for steam yet?</p> <p>MN – Discussions have begun with potential interested parties..</p> <p>LW – Shropshire Council has submitted a bid for European funding for scoping assessment.</p> <p>DH – what sort of waste tonnage is being burnt at the moment?</p> <p>SG – Relatively stable since 26th December, circa 260 tonnes per day, from approximately 35 refuse vehicles per weekday.</p> <p>DH – Inquired regarding Section 106 Conservation Management Plan funding for Battlefield site?</p> <p>GF – expects that Shropshire Council will be starting dialogue on this subject soon and confirmed funding has been received from Veolia as required.</p> <p>DH – Shrewsbury Town Council should be involved now as they own the footpath network.</p> <p>Discussion regarding the Conservation Management Plan. GF confirmed stakeholder meeting will be required. Agreed GF provide update for next meeting.</p>	
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7 NEXT MEETING

Thursday 16th April – Venue to be confirmed.
Meeting closed at 19.23