

## Minutes (names redacted)

Date: 14th November 2017	CC:
<b>Attendees:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Representatives from Veolia</li> <li>• 1 Invited representative from Veolia Technical Direction</li> <li>• 2 Representatives from Kirkby Action Group (KAG)</li> <li>• 1 Representative from Waste Management at Nottinghamshire County Council (NCC)</li> <li>• 2 Representatives from the Planning Department at Nottinghamshire County Council</li> <li>• 1 Representative from the Environment Agency (EA)</li> <li>• 1 Local Councillor</li> <li>• Veolia - Notetaker</li> </ul>	<b>Apologies:</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• 2 Local Councillors</li> <li>• 1 EA Representative</li> </ul>
Name of meeting: <b>Welshcroft Close Community Liaison Group (CLG)</b>	

### 1. Welcome and Introductions

Round the table introductions  
Minutes accepted and documents circulated as requested

### 2. Welshcroft Close Operational Report (Veolia)

1st Aug - 31st Oct - Tonnage has gone in to the site from Ashfield District Council, Mansfield District Council, Recycling Centres, commercial inputs totalling 12,611 tonnes. All the tonnage was transferred for treatment.

Analysis of the carbon filtration system took place in October and confirmed that 34.5% of the carbon had been utilised, another sample will be taken and reanalysed in 3 months time. Manufacturer's guidelines are that replacement is recommended with 80% of the carbon has been utilised.

Daily site inspections on site and around the local area, visitors to the site are also encouraged to do this and report their findings.

### 3. Review of complaints received since last meeting (19th July 2017)

- **Environment Agency** - 3 complaints and 3 site visits have taken place, one relating to a complaint, one a routine compliance inspection and one a site and local area odour inspection. 2 of these visits were unannounced.



- **Nottinghamshire County Council, Planning Group, Monitoring and Enforcement - 1**
- **Veolia** - 1 observation report from David Street

The complaints were reviewed as feedback from the KAG reported a pattern of odour issues on Sundays, and as the site is non operational on Sundays there is no apparent reason for any smell. Additional local area odour assessments will take place at weekends.

**ACTION:** Veolia to review CCTV footage of weekend operation to check there are no incidents of the doors being open when vehicles are not entering or exiting the building..

Residential odour monitoring systems sited in local gardens were discussed, EA Officer advised that any such apparatus would need calibration before results could be deemed relevant. The EA position is that this is unnecessary at the current time.

Question asked as to whether there are any operational differences at weekends - No there is less operational activity. It was asked if the filtration is operational at full capacity and confirmed that it is.

Responses from the EA were raised, it was advised to request if a call back is required after a report made. There have been no reports made on Sundays, Veolia can't act if there are no reports on the day as calls over the weekend to the EA don't usually get communicated until Monday. All the onsite and local area daily log sheets are kept and reviewed on EA inspections.

The one report to Veolia was followed up within 24 hours and a home visit offered which was accepted and all questions answered and where appropriate signposted to the appropriate bodies. Feedback to the KAG from the resident was that they weren't believed. An apology was given if an offence was taken by the resident.

Reports directly to the District Council were raised and the reply that if Veolia and the EA are involved they wouldn't be is incorrect and the District Council should accept and respond to any reports. EA feedback is that there is no pest problem at Welshcroft or around the site. If there is a pest problem it is not from Welshcroft and needs to be followed up by the District Council.

#### **4. Enquiries from local interested parties**

A question was asked about if the odour suppression was automatic, The sprays to the front of the building are automated and only operate when the doors are open. We also have sprays on the vents to the rear of the building that work on a pulsing system.

A question was asked about how many delivery trucks go in a week - 50 - 60 in and 10 out.

The Airborne 10 mixture information was requested, the response was that an MSDS was not required as it is a technology not a chemical. Further answers to questions regarding Airbourne 10 including MSDS and COSHH risk assessment are requested to be circulated - **ACTION**

A question was asked about what capacity the site is running at - 2/3rds.

Questions were brought to be asked of ADC Environmental Health but there was no attendant. ADC would continue to be invited and they can be contacted directly via the ADC website.





**5. Discussion**

An action from the last meeting was for a feasibility study to be considered for an airlock system, an airlock is deemed as not required as reports have subsided and the odour abatement measures are in place. If required there are further abatement methods that could be introduced to the site. These will be explored by the EA and Veolia if deemed required in future. The site will always be operated to the highest standards, The caveat is that there will never be a situation where any odour abatement is 100% effective.

Information presented to Long Leys in Lincoln was raised and deemed interpreted in different ways in relation to Welshcroft

There is resistance to feeding observations back through any official route but reporting via the Veolia observation form is encouraged as they can be swiftly responded to and EA reports are not monitored instantly.

Thanks given by KAG to Veolia for their help.

**6. Date of next meeting**

Meeting closed at 3.20pm

Date TBC - in 3 months time - April / May, then August, on request avoiding Monday/Friday.

**Meeting Action Points**

- Review CCTV footage of weekend operation to check there are no unplanned opening of the doors.
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