

14th Liaison Meeting between FCC Environment and Milton Air Quality Working Party

Thursday 24th March 2022, 4.30pm on Zoom

1	<p>Attendees:</p> <p>Anna Bradnam District and County Councillor, Milton Parish Council, MAQWP (Chair) Roisin Bennet FCC Environment, site manager Deborah Jeakins Cambs County Council (County planning) Louise Greenwood Environment Agency Naomi Henson Environment agency (new lead officer for the site) Hazel Smith Milton Parish Council and Milton resident Jane Coston Milton Parish Council and Milton resident Suzanne Webster Milton resident</p>
2	<p>Apologies:</p> <p>Nigel Wilson Infinis Alex Rankine Cambs County Council (County planning) Adam Smith Cambs County Council (group manager - waste management) Kay White Milton resident</p>
3	<p>Minutes of the 13th meeting, held on 20th October 2021:</p> <p>Minutes were recirculated earlier this week. RB asked for an additional day or two to review and feed back. All other parties agreed that the minutes were an accurate reflection of the last meeting.</p> <p>Action: RB to communicate any amendments to AB by the end of the week.</p>
	<p>Review of action points from the last meeting:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) AB/SW to amend the Minutes from the 12th liaison meetings and then send them to the Parish Clerk to be published on the Parish web page.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- AB will now do this2) RB to communicate the site re-opening date once it has been confirmed.<ul style="list-style-type: none">- As below
4	<p>FCC operational update since 20th October 2021:</p> <p>Plan to open for restoration soil from 1st May 2022 Potential to re-open for waste in July 2022. Still expect to complete the site by 2026 deadline (is this December 2026? – RB to check).</p> <p>The Household Waste Recycling Centre is currently located on land within the landfill site boundary so is subject to the landfill timelines but wishes to continue beyond 2026.</p> <p>DJ confirmed that the FCC Landfill permission includes the the Household Waste Recycling Centre so to enable the HWRC to continue after 2026, 2 separate applications are now required:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none">1) Permission to implement the FCC restoration plan for 2026 with a revised site boundary <p>Permission to redesign, modernise & improve the household waste recycling centre in a new red line boundary to enable it to continue post 2026.</p> <p>The revised restoration plan for the landfill still appears to include the Household Waste Recycling Centre land. This will need to be resolved before planning permission is agreed.</p>

	<p>Action: DJ will speak to the case officer next week and report back to the Committee</p>
5	<p>Milton residents - odour incidents reported: KW circulated a Village Log reports update prior to the meeting. Three reports since the last meeting; two on 25th October which were not reported further and one on 11th March which was also reported to Anglian Water.</p> <p>AB reported a smell from Tesco car park on 11th March – likely to be Anglian Water. JC reported a smell of dirty water within the last month – also likely to be Anglian Water. SW had noticed an odour from the FCC site on one occasion whilst driving past on the A14, but no report was made.</p> <p>RB confirmed that the site has not received any odour complaints since the last meeting. Weekly odour checks are conducted & any potential issues are remediated promptly.</p> <p>The site identified a problem with one of the leachate wells, so they dug out & replaced the well on 7th / 8th March. This does not coincide with the dates of the reports above.</p>
6	<p>FCC Environment: See points 4 and 5 above. Also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Dedicated left-turn lane at the roundabout is now finished. - Miscanthus on site will be mowed shortly but this shouldn't cause any odours. <p>HS asked about the possibility of trees being planted for screening and noted that the original restoration plan mentioned small hedgerows to break up the grass expanse. RB confirmed that this type of thing will be covered in the forthcoming restoration plan but that she has not yet seen a copy.</p> <p>Action: RB to review the latest version of the restoration plan for screening & report back to the committee</p> <p>RB noted that FCC had got agreement from the National Highways Agency that a closed board fence would be erected along the whole of the A14 side of the site following the recent works, but National Highways have since put fencing around a few of the boreholes only, so the site is now much more open than it was previously.</p> <p>Action: RB to follow up again with the National Highways Agency about the fencing. Action: AB to ask National Highways Agency about trees along the A14 boundary</p> <p>AB noted that the Corrie McKeague enquiry findings have been published recently and asked if the site has been contacted again. RB confirmed that they have not.</p>
7	<p>Environment Agency: NH confirmed that EA has received no odour complaints regarding the site since the last meeting. EA has issued 4 compliance assessment reports that are now on public record:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 12/11/21 – confirmation of approval of construction quality assurance for gas pin-wells • 22/12/21 – site inspection- no breaches identified; temporary cap was still in place & 3rd leachate tank had been added. • 07/01/22 – methane assessment all within thresholds • 07/01/22 – reviewed monitoring results from August to October last year which revealed that leachate levels had been exceeded in some areas of the site and that methane had exceeded in 2 areas. The latter has since been

	<p>rectified. The site is currently Band D.</p> <p>DJ asked how long the 3rd leachate tank has been on site as it would need planning permission. RB confirmed it has been on site for some time, but only recently connected. Action: DJ recommends that RB adds this to the forthcoming application.</p>
8	<p>AOB</p> <p>DJ noted that on a previous visit after a period of heavy rain the access road was flooded and asked if a plan for surface drainage would be included as part of the restoration plan. AB confirmed that this happens regularly and has been raised with County Highways previously - but noted that the Butt Lane grips have still not been re-cut. DJ confirmed that an objection has been raised recently by the local lead flood authority as there is no surface water strategy or flood water assessment. Action: RB to review the latest version of the restoration plan for entrance road resurfacing & flood prevention measures & report back to the committee Action: AB to follow up with County Highways regarding recutting of the Butt Lane grips</p> <p>For this reason, AB had asked, in the planning process for the HWRC, if the pit to accommodate skips at a lower level, proposed as part of the redesign would be viable, or would it flood. She had been assured that a surface water drainage scheme would be required. Action: DJ to speak to the case officer next week and report back to the Committee</p> <p>HS asked if FCC has been spoken to by the planners responsible for the new Cambridge Science Park (North) proposed by Trinity College which will potentially be serviced from Butt Lane. RB confirmed that they have not yet been contacted but she would be happy to be a point of contact going forwards.</p> <p>AB asked if the site will be impacted by a recent proposal for a cycle route along the Mere Way (4 metres wide). RB did not think it would impact more than it does currently.</p>
9	<p>Round-up - Summary of actions.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) RB to review minutes from the 13th meeting & confirm to AB if ok to publish 2) AB/SW to finalise the Minutes from the 12th & 13th liaison meetings and then AB to send them to the Parish Clerk to be published on the Parish web page 3) DJ to speak to the case officer about the ambiguity around the sites in the revised restoration plan & any flood prevention measures that could be added in 4) RB to review the latest version of the restoration plan for screening, road resurfacing & other flood prevention measures 5) RB to consider adding the 3rd leachate tank into the forthcoming application 6) RB to follow up again with the National Highways Agency about the fencing 7) AB to ask National Highways Agency about trees along the A14 boundary 8) AB to follow up with County Highways regarding recutting of the Butt Lane grips <p>After the meeting RB confirmed, I have raised the fencing and possible tree planting along A14/A10 site boundary with the contact I have for the A14 works and have had the below response:</p>

	<p>"I'll raise the fencing, landscape and land issues with the National Highways team directly in the Brampton office on Monday 28th March 2022."</p>
	<p>Date of next meeting: Wednesday 19th October 2022 at 4.30pm on Teams. Action: RB to suggest possible dates for a tour of the site</p>