

meeting minutes

Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	10/12/2019
Location	Connon Bridge Landfill
Recorder	Natalie Chard
Chair	Mel Colton-Dyer

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Patrick Daws	PD	SUEZ	General Manager
Stuart Higgins	SH	SUEZ	Assistant Landfill Regional Manager
Ian Mitchell	IM	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager
Natalie Chard	EE	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager
Katherine Alexander	KA	SUEZ	Assistant Site Manager
Janet Haley	JH	Local resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Local resident	
John Emerson	JE	Local resident	
Doug Mills	DM	Local resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Jenny Mills	JM	Local Resident	
Jackie Ward	PM	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste

Dale Unsworth	CB	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Matthew Sleeman	MS	Cornwall Council	Planning Officer
Carol Spear	CS	St Pinnock Parish Council	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chairman of Braddock Parish Council	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome and apologies	
1.1	MCD welcomed everyone and asked that everyone switch off their mobile phones before the meeting started.	
1.1	Apologies were received from Annemarie Wilshaw, Christine Butler and Peter Marsh. DM informed the group that Howard Knapman was unable to attend as he was convalescing at home after a recent heart attack.	
1.2	<p>Actions</p> <p>1.2 DU explained that Paul Allen was unable to provide a summary of the works previously carried out as requested but that Paul had suggested sharing his departmental contact details with the group so that if there are any further issues regarding highways they could be reported directly either via email on: handee@cormacltd.co.uk or via the Cornwall Council website.</p> <p>2.2 MCD asked if ALL had actioned reporting any complaints immediately. All of the members of the group stated that they had not had to action any complaints since the last meeting.</p> <p>2.3 MS had provided and circulated the link to all members of the Community Forum. MCD thanked him for the link and commented on how useful she had found it.</p>	

	<p>4.0 NC confirmed that she had circulated the new Chair's' contact details and that the terms of reference were now amended stating that any agenda items and reports now must be submitted at least ten days before the next meeting to the Chair.</p> <p>MCD followed on from this asking the group if all were happy to now officially adopt the terms of reference, all agreed. She then went through each page of the previous minutes asking members of the group to highlight any amendments they required.</p> <p>No amendments were suggested and the minutes for 12 September 2019 were agreed by the community forum group.</p>	
<p>2.0</p>	<p>SUEZ operational update</p>	
<p>2.1</p>	<p>Bulky Waste Shredder/ RTS operation</p> <p>PD informed the group that he would report on the operations for Bulky Waste and the RTS as unfortunately Graham Copplestone, the Operations Manager was unable to attend due to illness.</p> <p>PD reported that for the last three months, it was business as usual. In the quarter June to August SUEZ had accepted 354 tonnes of bulky waste per week for shredding but this had reduced to around 337 tonnes per week during the Quarter from September to November 2019. Of the Bulky material received 259 tpw had been processed through the shredding operation during the preceding Quarter (June to August 2019) but had risen marginally to 264 tpw during the Quarter (September to November 2019). The increase was attributed further efficiencies in the black bag separation procedures at the HWRCs and the pre-sort operation. Lorry movements remained fairly static at an average of c. 71 per week down from the preceding Quarter of 74 per week.</p> <p>PJ asked for confirmation of what was meant by movements. PD confirmed that this related to two movements for each lorry (entering and exiting the site).</p> <p>PD went on to explain that in November around 3,400 mattresses were processed and that although it sounds a significant amount, the figure correlates with the number of householders in Cornwall and the eight year frequency it is recommended that consumers change their mattress. However, PD did state that because of January sales it is anticipated that SUEZ will see a spike in this number in the early part of the new year.</p> <p>PD reported that SUEZ continues to encounter small fires which he suggested is down to the number of items thrown away that contain lithium ion batteries. He went on to explain that during the processing of waste, the batteries are agitated, and this can cause fires. He urged people to be responsible in disposing of these</p>	

	<p>items and referred to a joint fire awareness campaign SUEZ are involved in with Cornwall Council and Cornwall Fire Brigade. He also reiterated that the HWRC will recycle car and domestic batteries and have collection points on site.</p> <p>CS asked where residents can recycle batteries other than the HWRC.</p> <p>A discussion began around local battery recycling facilities MCD stated most supermarkets have collection points.</p> <p>PD then went on to explain that now that Truro HWRC is open, Connon Bridge is now also accepting bulky waste from that site. However general waste deposited at St Austell's HWRC is now going directly to the CERC and therefore the overall tonnage received at Connon Bridge remains on average the same.</p>	
2.2	<p>Landfill and restoration</p> <p>IM informed the group that well P4A3R continues to be monitored and is currently compliant when the pump is on. SUEZ are awaiting confirmation of the EA's position on monitoring P4A3R whilst the pump is on and this is expected sometime in December 2019.</p> <p>IM then went on to explain that Phase 1 of the restoration works started on 02 September and were carried out by the contractor Jones Brothers. He explained that the temporary cap has now been replaced with a permanent plastic cap but that the soils that were due to be placed on top were not completed due to the excessive rainfall, which made it unsafe to continue without risking damage to the cap. It has been agreed that this work will now be completed in the spring of next year with the remainder of the restoration work.</p> <p>SH added that vegetation clearance work will happen before then and is expected to be carried out in January and February 2020. He explained that the work is in line with the restoration programme and that, for example, conifers need to be removed to make room for the lagoon area. SH stated that no heavy plant will be used at this stage so there should be no disruption to near neighbours. He is hopeful that he will have a full detailed programme from the contractors that he will be able to share at the next meeting in March 2020.</p> <p>MCD stated she will ensure that this is added to the agenda for the next meeting.</p> <p>MS informed the group that he carried out monitoring on the landfill site on 18 November 2019 and is due to carry out another inspection on the 18 December. Since the last meeting he was pleased to report that there have not been any complaints about any operational activities on site.</p>	MCD
3.0	<p>AOB</p> <p>MCD asked the group for any AOB they wished to raise.</p>	



	<p>DM asked if SUEZ knew anything about the porta loo which has been left down the lane next to the site.</p> <p>KA advised that it belonged to CORMAC and that SUEZ have requested on several occasions for it to be removed.</p> <p>MCD then closed the meeting and wished everyone a very happy Christmas.</p>	
6.0	Date of next meeting:	
	Tuesday 10 March 2020	