

# **CONNON BRIDGE LANDFILL SITE**

## **COMMUNITY FORUM MEETING MINUTES**

Tuesday 13 April 2021

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## meeting minutes

Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	13/04/2021
Location	Connon Bridge Landfill
Recorder	Abigail Bailey
Chair	Mel Colton-Dyer

### Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Craig Mouatt	CM	SUEZ	Operations Manager
Robert Williams	RW	SUEZ	Project Manager
Niall Kelly	NK	SUEZ	Planning Manager
Abigail Bailey	AB	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Natalie Chard	NC	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager
Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Matthew Sleeman	MS	Cornwall Council	Planning Officer
Nicola Wilcox	NW	Cornwall Council	Change Manager
Tim Warne	TW	Cornwall Council	Principal Planning Officer
Doug Mills	DM	Local resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	

Colin Martin	Cllr.CM	Cllr for Lostwithiel	
Janise Philp	JP	Local resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Janet and Henry Hayley	JH	Local Residents	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chairman of Braddock Parish Council	
Peter Seaman	PS	Lanreath Parish Council	
Richard Pugh	RP	Cllr for Trelawny Division.	
Mel Colton-Dyer	MCD	Independent chair	
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cllr for Liskeard South	

Ref	Note	Action
<b>1.0</b>	<b>Welcome and apologies</b>	
1.1	MCD welcomed everyone and went through the protocols of the virtual meeting and how to submit questions which would be asked at the end. She added that there had been several questions submitted very late and that unfortunately due to the lateness of the submission were unable to answer them during this meeting but would circulate both questions and answers with the minutes of the meeting.	
<b>2.0</b>	<b>SUEZ presentation</b>  DU introduced himself and presented a PowerPoint on the changing waste collection contract and food waste collection.  NK then introduced himself and showed a presentation on the planning applications.	

<p>2.1</p>	<p><b>Question and answer session</b></p> <p>Cllr.CM asked what Cornwall Council’s long term waste strategic plan was, would there be further extensions to operations at Connon Bridge.</p> <p>JW responded that the current application covered operations up until 2036.</p> <p>PJ asked which other sites were considered. He then asked if Cornwall Council could give an update on the statement made by Peter Marsh on the possibility of a super depot in the A30 Corridor in the Roche area.</p> <p>NK replied that they had looked at all the key strategic waste management sites and currently all have proposals for redevelopment for food waste with no room for additional infrastructure. He stated the property team carried out an overview of industrial properties on the market in the Liskeard, Bodmin and St Austell area and concluded there were no suitable alternatives.</p> <p>JW added that she wasn’t with Cornwall Council when Peter Marsh made that statement but went on to say that there are no current plans for a super depot of any description. Reference was made to a potential forthcoming site at Hallenbeagle along the A30 corridor but this is in the west of the County near Redruth.</p> <p>Cllr.CM suggested that a separate meeting took place to discuss and review Cornwall Council’s long-term strategic plan for waste handling and processing.</p> <p>PJ asked for justification on the size of the transfer station and asked why an alternative design with a smaller footprint for food waste couldn’t be used.</p> <p>RW responded that they have designed the new transfer station so it will be fully enclosed. He explained that it would mean that they are able to unload waste collection vehicles at the same time as loading out. The advantages would be to reduce odour and possibility of pests and at the same time reduce queuing by continuing to receive waste collection materials while loading out.</p> <p>PJ stated that there is concern that the food waste transfer station at Connon is oversized compared to other areas and in the planning application it states that Connon Bridge might be able to accept food waste from other food waste transfer stations if operations are down. He asked for confirmation if the Council would be happy to accept as part of a section 106, that no waste from other transfer stations would be accepted at Connon Bridge</p> <p>JW explained that to be able to have contingency plans in place, they would have to be able to accept waste from other facilities.</p>	
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	<p>JH then asked if there are two sets of double doors with a vacuum in between would that reduce the amount of odour that comes out. Then added is the clinical waste building trade waste.</p> <p>RW explained that two sets of double doors had not been considered in the design.</p> <p>JW explained that the standard practice for food waste bays are to use fast acting doors and the purpose of the odour management relates to the boundary of the site not the building itself.</p> <p>RW added that trade waste is accepted at Connon Bridge and the signage is relevant to the HWRC.</p> <p>JW stated that clinical waste is collected from homes in Cornwall.</p> <p>Cllr.CM asked if there are any ventilation systems or negative air pressures that help to suck air in not out.</p> <p>RW responded that he has not seen anything like that in this type of transfer station but there would be deodorising spray systems within the building.</p> <p>PJ asked if they would be willing to accept a tonnage cap as well as a vehicle cap.</p> <p>NK replied the tonnage cap doesn't give control over the number of vehicles entering the site.</p> <p>JW added that she would rather have as few conditions to manage as possible.</p> <p>JH asked what the chances of any changes are from tonight's meeting.</p> <p>JW responded that she would still encourage everyone to submit questions and comments on the planning application.</p> <p>MCD asked when the minutes and questions will be made available to the group.</p> <p>NC stated it will be a 7-day turnaround.</p> <p>TW stated that the application details are up on the Council's website, with site notices / newspaper notices being placed and the Council are welcoming comments on the application. He added that the more questions there are the better and that the group can use him as a contact and go between to seek clarification on matters from the applicants as necessary. He added that the whole planning process is transparent. The application would not be determined until sometime after the Local Elections.</p>	
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	<p>Cllr.CM asked if he could have an updated version of the like for like figures of the sites that have the new transfer stations.</p> <p>RW replied that he can look at St Erth as a comparison, but that Launceston is still in the design process.</p>	
	<p><b>Close of meeting</b></p> <p>MCD thanked everyone for attending the meeting and reminded everyone that if they wanted anything to be circulated or had anything they wanted to be raised that they should email her directly.</p>	