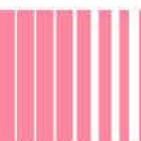


Connon Bridge landfill site



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	27/05/2025
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Natalie Sáenz

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Community Liaison Manager
Natalie Sáenz	NS	SUEZ	South West Regional Communications Manager
Dale Unsworth (Via Teams)	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Doug Mills	DM	Resident	
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Becky Parry	BP	SUEZ	Renew Manager
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cornwall Councillor	CLr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	
Janet Haley	JH	Resident	



Jeanette Simmonds	JS	St Pinnock Parish Council	
Julian Dingle	JRD	St Pinnock Parish Council	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	NS opened the meeting and the group introduced themselves. Apologies from Stuart Parker and Paul Jordan.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 28th January 2025	
2.1	Minutes approved – with caveat to edit the apologies from JH and HH.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	Sponsorship of the local newsletter by SUEZ confirmed. Fence post was repaired	
4.0	1. SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>JD provided an operational update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Confirmed that the HWRC booking system is not currently scheduled for Connon Bridge Drainage outside the site to be looked at be South West Water Compost awareness week was celebrated in early May <p>DM questioned the quality of the water, concerned that if the run off was from site, that this could cause issues. JD answered that a water quality test will take place.</p> <p>DM asked if the full quota of vehicles is now coming to the site. JD answered that the vehicle numbers approaching site are within the limits of the site. JP agreed that the vehicle numbers have not exceeded the limit.</p>	JD



	<p>JH asked what time the vehicles are allowed onto site. JD answered that vehicles move between 7am and 5pm.</p> <p>BP provided an update on Kernow Reuse and plans to introduce a Reuse shop at Connon Bridge:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised that introducing a Reuse shop at Connon Bridge is still a priority but with an extended target opening for Q4. • Shared the success of existing Reuse shops <p>JH asked about if the booking system was used for visitors to the Reuse shops on other sites. BP answered that for some sites there is a booking system and not for others. JD added that the benefit of the booking system is that the queues are reduced.</p> <p>JH commented that her friends experienced a lot of delays at the Bodmin HWRC even though there is a booking system due to the containers being tampered down. JD answered that Lanivet (Bodmin) HWRC is a smaller site than Connon and the bin exchanges and tamping down require members of the public to be kept off site while this occurs.</p> <p>BP asked the group for their opinions on the options for the Kernow Reuse shop design at Connon.</p> <p>The group unanimously agreed that the wood option was the preferred design.</p> <p>JD confirmed that the parking outside would be used for the shop.</p> <p>A question was raise around the footfall and opening times of the shop, BP responded that sites with a booking system are valuable and that the movement is growing but not exceeding limits of the sites. The opening hours align with the HWRC, 9am-4pm 7 days a week.</p> <p>RP asked who decides if an item is for reuse or for the HWRC. BP answered that the staff on site are trained to recognise potential reuse opportunities and to ask members of the public if they have anything for reuse. Also highlighting the ability to recover electrical items via PAT testing and bikes to be repaired and reused.</p> <p>JP asked about the money from the sales. BP answered that currently the profits are going towards running and set up costs of the future Kernow Reuse shops, with a steering committee agreeing next steps such as community funds in the near future.</p> <p>JH asked if these community funds will be per location or one fund for all the shops. BP answered this was not yet confirmed by the committee.</p> <p>DU added that the Kernow Reuse shop is not a for profit venture, rather for social value generation.</p>	
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	<p>JD updated the group on the annual tonnage for the RTS from April 24 – March 25. JP asked about the impact of food waste on the tonnages. JD answered that it has reduced, JP asked if comparison data could be used to see that impact of the service change.</p> <p>JD commented that the waste at the RTS has reduced, but that waste in the HWRC has increased, due to the restriction in size at kerbside collection.</p> <p>JP asked if the area 2 rollout was more successful compare to other areas. DU answered that the service change was overall successful and that area 2 progressed very well. Other areas had additional challenges such as bin exchanges/ legacy bins.</p> <p>JP added that the next step should be reducing food waste. DU agreed and added that trends with food waste usually drop as people are visually confronted with their wasted food. JP added that shops selling multiples wrapped in packaging are a big problem.</p> <p>RP asked if the incinerator (CERC) was missing the food waste as the black bag waste is reduced. JD answered that with food waste being removed, the CERC burns more efficiently. This is because it does not need to expend more energy to process the wet food waste.</p>	SC/JD
6.0	2. Question and answer session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
6.1	<p>JH submitted the question “With the news there is a new HWRC at Newquay just opened, will it have any impact on Connon, I.e. less lorries coming this way?”</p> <p>JD answered that there will be a new site at Newquay but that it will replace the current site in Newquay. This will have no impact on the vehicle movements to Connon.</p>	
7.0	3. Cornwall Council Landfill/Restoration and PV Array Update	
7.1	<p>DU informed the group that the landfill was establishing well but that there was not a substantial update on the PV array. DM raised a question about Forrest for Cornwall planting, DU to update on this and the PV array at the next meeting.</p>	DU
9.0	4. AOB	
9.1	<p>JH commented that her bins were not collected and that she was given several excuses as to why. DU asked if the case reference is passed to him, he will look into it.</p> <p>JP asked about the magazine sponsorship, NS answered that an invoice is required for the payment.</p> <p>The location of the next meeting was agreed to be held at East Taphouse Community Hall. JD passed on the contact details for SC to follow up.</p>	DU SC



	JP commented that the pop up Kernow Reuse shop that will be attending Royal Cornwall Show would be a great addition to the Liskeard Show on the 2 nd Saturday of July (12 th). BP answered that this is a great event to be aware of.	BP
10	Date of Next Meeting	
10.1	04 November 2025	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	28/01/2025
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sam Fisher
Chair	Natalie Sáenz

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Community Liaison Manager
Natalie Sáenz	NS	SUEZ	South West Regional Communications Manager
Sam Fisher	SF	SUEZ	Education & Community Officer
Dale Unsworth (Via Teams)	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager



Becky Parry	BP	SUEZ	Renew Manager
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cornwall Councillor	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls
Alan Jevons	AJ	Resident	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chair of Braddock Parish Council	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	NS opened the meeting and the group introduced themselves. Apologies from Jon Davis (Operations Manager East Cornwall).	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 24th September 2024	
2.1	Minutes approved.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	Link to be sent out regarding the footpath maintenance. DU confirmed that this was circulated.	DU
4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>SP provided an operational update:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction works at Connon Bridge RTS are finished / complete. Advised that POPS separation was being introduced at HWRC. JW provided further explanation about POPS and Cornwall Council position on the need to separate POPS to satisfy the Environment Agency. <p>BP provided an update on Kernow Reuse and plans to introduce a Reuse shop at Connon Bridge:</p>	



	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Advised that introducing a Reuse shop at Connon Bridge is a priority with a target date of Q3 (June / July '25). • Shared the success of existing Reuse shops – Over 9,000 items (46 tons) sold to date. • Confirmed the current nearest Reuse shop is St Austell. • Explained that an internal construction team undertake the shopfitting with wood and scaffolding to make them look appealing and professional. • Advised that two solutions were being considered for Connon Bridge: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. To make use of existing office space. 2. To introduce containers, which is consistent with approach on other sites. <p>PJ Expressed a dislike for the introduction of containers, citing the lack of space, which might cause traffic and other operational issues.</p> <p>RJ Asked for more clarification on where the shop might be positioned on site.</p> <p>JP Asked whether Reuse shops were taking trade from local shops.</p> <p>BP Clarified that there is no evidence to suggest trade being taken from other shops and that, in fact, the Reuse shops were serving to support and compliment local charity shops.</p> <p>JM Asked whether the introduction of a shop might worsen the situation with people failing to look both ways when leaving the site.</p> <p>BP Doesn't believe that a shop will worsen traffic.</p> <p>SP Explained that the look left and stop signs were revisited by SUEZ and advised that there is also a painted stop line to make the instruction clear to drivers. SP further explained that all drivers and new inductions are introduced to the 'Stop protocol'. Drivers are also subject to infringement notices. Further advised the MOPs are subject to Highway Code rules.</p>	
6.0	Landfill/Restoration and PV Array Update	
6.1	<p>DU – Via Teams</p> <p>Provided an update regarding the landfill restoration:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There has recently been more water / drainage volume, due the recent rainwater. This was handled and managed well by the team. • Followed up on action from last meeting on an issue raised by DM regarding the locked carpark. DU apologised that the carpark had been 	



	<p>locked and confirmed that it would now remain unlocked. Further confirmed that the carpark is available for use.</p> <p>PJ Agreed that the carpark gate should remain closed and a sign put in place to remind people to shut the gate. This may deter undesirable visitors.</p> <p>DU continued update</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Further survey work is running into spring 2025. The completion of this survey is a further step to getting the PV array installed. <p>DM asked why Chelson Meadows in Plymouth is so much greener than the Connon Bridge site.</p> <p>DU Advised that the restoration there is to a different habitat type and in a different phase of maturity.</p> <p>DM expressed the opinion that not enough top soil has been used at Connon Bridge in an attempt to save money.</p> <p>JE Suggested that Connon Bridge restoration needed more time to establish.</p> <p>JP Suggested that some photographs could be taken for discussion at the next meeting.</p> <p>NS Added that the recent drone footage could also be looked at.</p> <p>DM Asked if the fence by the post-box could be repaired.</p> <p>JP Asked if the fence had been reported and emphasised the importance of raising / reporting concerns prior to meetings.</p>	DU
8.0	AOB	
8.1	<p>DM – Raised the issue of drainage, which was covered in the September meeting.</p> <p>SP Updated that he has since been sent videos and images of water flowing through the drains in question. Highways are also sending people to look at the drains and provide clarification.</p> <p>DM suggested that it is a SUEZ drain that is backing up.</p> <p>SP further clarified that SWW have sampled the water for chlorine to determine whether there is a burst main. No chlorine was found and therefore there is no concern of a burst main.</p> <p>JP advised the group that she is investigating the re-launch of a Parish Magazine and invited SUEZ to become a contributing sponsor.</p>	SP



	<p>NS Asked what the estimate publication costs are likely to be.</p> <p>DM advised the printing costs are likely to be in the region of £200-£400.</p> <p>NS suggested that Reuse could be tied to the magazine.</p> <p>BP agreed to investigate some options.</p> <p>JP asked how long it would take to make a funding decision on the magazine.</p> <p>NS suggested the end of March.</p> <p>NS Asked if SUEZ could be introduced to the person that will write / edit the publication.</p> <p>JP advised that the publication should be informative and apolitical.</p> <p>NS / SC invited the group to discuss the frequency of future meetings and whether they could be moved from quarterly to twice-yearly.</p> <p>The group was in agreement that, following the next meeting in April, that the meetings should then become twice-yearly.</p> <p>DM asked if JP was still getting figures on vehicle movement and tonnage.</p> <p>SC will follow up and update.</p>	<p>NS / BP</p> <p>SC</p>
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	
9.1	08 April 2025	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	24 September
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Natalie Sáenz

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Natalie Sáenz	NS	SUEZ	South West Regional Communications Manager
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Chair
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager East Cornwall



Janet Haley	JH	Resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cornwall Councillor	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls
Alan Jevons	AJ	Resident	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chair of Braddock Parish Council	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	NS opened the meeting and the group introduced themselves to new attendees.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on	
2.1	Minor changes to the minutes requested. Once altered they will be adopted.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	<p>DM raised a concern about surface water draining after the backfilling that has occurred. DM commented that the second drain from the gate, down to the road is still a concern. JD answered that the issue was raised and resolved with highways.</p> <p>DM suggested that the requested sign to “Look Left” should be raised with highways from SUEZ. SP commented that there is signage on site, but not explicitly to “Look Left”.</p> <p>DM added that it is the same as the verge, they have to fight with Cormac to get it done every year. DM suggested that it would be nice for SUEZ to cut the verge instead. SP commented that SUEZ has reach to only go so far. DM responded that SUEZ could contact Cormac direct. SP responded that Lindsey from Cormac did proactively manage the issue.</p>	



4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>JD updated the group on the HWRC Operations. Following the trial period, DIY waste has been reinstated at Connon Bridge so that residents can recycle DIY waste free of charge for up to 8 bags of material.</p> <p>CS asked if this has caused any issues at other sites. JD responded that there are impacts from DIY waste but also from the change in the collection service.</p> <p>JP added that reinstating the DIY waste has been well received but commented that the poster shown might be confusing people about what is commercial waste and what is household waste.</p> <p>JH asked if all sites will have to book to attend site. JD answered that there is a booking trial at Newquay, Saltash, and St Erth. This is due to the potential impact on road traffic hazards at these sites.</p> <p>JP commented that the idea is not popular as many residents have no Wi-Fi, making the service difficult to use. JD responded that there is a phone number that can be used, they are found on flyers that are given out to residents when they make their next visit.</p> <p>PJ asked what would happen if a resident arrived on site with no appointment. JD answered that staff would let them in as it is a soft launch. However, if there is no space, they may be asked to pull aside until there is space. JD added that in the areas where this has rolled out, it has gone well and reduced queues significantly.</p> <p>DM asked for an update of the mains pipe and fire suppression system.</p> <p>JD answered that SUEZ are in contact with South West Water. There is a restrictor in place but not as designed. SUEZ are looking to fill the tank at a designated time to reduce impact on residents' water pressure.</p> <p>JH commented that there is very little pressure. DM added that in the past he experienced a system that had several fail safes to limit impacts like this.</p> <p>SP responded that site have permission for a 90mm pipe but have reduced this to a 25mm restrictor to try to alleviate this pressure. JD added that potentially they could go back to the 90mm pipe and have a set time that is shorter, but this was still being decided.</p> <p>JM commented that the water pressure issues have been happening over the years with lots of different issues being stated as the cause.</p> <p>BP updated the group on the reuse shops being implemented at the HWRC sites in Cornwall, collecting items that would be wasted in the recycling system and allowing them to be reused instead. The scope of this project is looking into lots of areas, with the hope that Connon Bridge will also have a reuse shop on site as well.</p>	



	<p>JP asked how the funds raised at the shop would be used and if they were being used for covering over heads.</p> <p>BP answered that yes in the first instance funds will be used to offset the costs of opening the shops, after this point the funds will be going to different areas which will be finalised shortly, and an update will be given.</p> <p>DM asked if Bodmin would have a reuse shop.</p> <p>NS answered that there will be a PAT testing site in Bodmin.</p> <p>JM and DM commented that they still use an item that was sourced from a HWRC years ago and liked the idea of reuse shops on HWRC sites.</p> <p>NS asked if they would like to see Connon Bridge high on the list to get a reuse shop on site, which the group answered yes.</p> <p>AJ commented that in the past there were instances of selling items in an unofficial capacity which now should be reduced.</p> <p>JH asked if the reuse shop on site would mean that another shed/container is required on site.</p> <p>BP answered that this is up for debate and there are several options for how it could look on site.</p> <p>PJ asked if booking on site became mandatory for Connon, would this cause a problem with a reuse shop, particularly if people spend longer on site this could impact a potential booking system.</p> <p>BP answered that at the current sites with a reuse shop there has been no significant changes to the day to day, there has not been an increased footfall onsite.</p> <p>DM commented that impacts at Connon could be different as other reuse shops are at a HWRC site, whereas Connon is a HWRC site and RTS.</p>	
6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None.	
7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
7.1	None submitted.	
8.0	A.O.B	
8.1	<p>AJ raise an issue with the footpath on the site not being accessible and asked if Cornwall Council could clear the path.</p> <p>DM added that this was reported to Cormac.</p>	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	14/05/2024
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Presentg

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager and Chair
Lindsay Opie	LO	CORMAC	Communications and Engagement Manager
Andrew Smith	AS	CORMAC	Senior Project Manager
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Parish Councillor
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Chair



Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager
Janet Haley	JH	Resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	LT opened the meeting. Apologies were received from Paul Jordan, Jackie Ward, Jane Pascoe, Jon Davis and Sheldon Roberts.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 30 January	
2.1	Minutes adopted.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	<p>JH highlighted that a member of the public was sent to Cannon Bridge to dispose of an item that was not accepted on this site. The member of the public then had to travel to St Austell. LT will convey this to JD.</p> <p>CS added that there was a report of fly tipping as this item was no longer accepted at site, this issue was dealt with by Cllr. Pascoe.</p> <p>DU reiterated that the waste streams for DIY waste data will be reviewed after the six month trial has concluded, fly tipping reports and complaints will help to inform the decision. DU also added that the query about catchment areas has been resolved with Cllr Pascoe.</p>	LT
4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>SP updated the group on the verge maintenance on site, adding that there were trees felled due to Ash dieback. CS asked if there was a problem with rats on site. SP answered that the reports completed monthly state the population is under control.</p> <p>DM reported that the turning point leaving site needed to be dealt with. LO and DM to report this to highways.</p>	DM / LO



6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None	
7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
7.1	None submitted.	
8.0	A.O.B	
	Cornwall Council Landfill/PV Array Update	
8.1	<p>DU updated the group that the solar PV system is waiting to be approved by Planning.</p> <p>DU also updated that there was one report to the EA concerning leachate and the ultra-filtration system. The tubes are inspected multiple times a day and one tube was found to have ruptured, meaning some suspended solids may have been present in the leachate discharge for a short period of time. The line was suspended and will be repaired.</p> <p>CS asked who has responsibility for the manhole cover towards East Taphouse with painted marks around it. LO said she would ask and update.</p>	LO
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	
9.1	24 September 2024	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	30/01/2024
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager East Cornwall
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager and Chair
Alistair Walker	AW	SUEZ	Construction Project Manager
Emma Smyth	ES	SUEZ	Senior Planning Manager
Sheldon Roberts	SR	CORMAC	Project Manager
Lindsay Opie	LO	CORMAC	Communications and Engagement Manager
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste & Community Protection
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader



Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls	Cornwall Councillor
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager
Janet Haley	JH	Resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	
Colin Martin	CM	Cllr for Lostwithiel & Lanreath	Cornwall Councillor
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chair of Braddock Parish Council	
Janise Phelps	JPh	Resident	

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	LT opened the meeting, reiterating the Code of Conduct for the CLG. No apologies were received, and the group introduced themselves to CM.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 3 October, 2023	
2.1	Minutes were adopted.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	LO reported that she had made enquiries about the verges and has ensured they have been managed. DM commented that it has been appreciated and hopes it will continue.	LO



4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>JD updated the group on operations around the site. This included the DIY waste streams that are now not being accepted at the site. CM asked who made the decision to remove the waste stream and asked if the reason for it was financial. DU answered that it was a Cornwall Council decision and that a 6-month trial period is being implemented following a review of usage at all sites.</p> <p>CM asked how decisions were made by the Council to assess the impact, as he felt this has created a 2-tier service, where residents in some areas will need to drive further to access the service. CM added that this change to the acceptance criteria does not change the volume of waste being created and this could lead to more fly tipping. Also, Saltash already has queuing issues and diverting waste there will only add to this. DU acknowledged these points and highlighted that during the 6-month trial the potential impacts will be assessed.</p> <p>CM again enquired about the decision-making process and stated he was glad that it is a trial. JW added that there is not a one-size-fits-all for HWRCs. All sites are unique and will need to be assessed as such.</p> <p>PJ asked if fly-tipping data was being collected. DU answered to confirm that it is.</p> <p>JP asked where the data for the number of households (18,000) in the catchment area was. She highlighted that she believed the number to be 44,000. DU agreed to follow this up and provide the correct information.</p> <p>JP added that the changes are not widely known about and she has had several people write to her asking about this as many are not online. JW stated that Local Members were provided with a briefing and that local media communicated this. JP agreed that a piece was published in Oct/Nov, but that this did not include that some sites would no longer be accepting these waste streams.</p> <p>CM asked about the limitation on volumes that can be accepted at other HWRC sites. JD answered that there is a process akin to a Trade Waste Disclaimer, in which the volume is documented and then the paperwork is discarded at the end of the week. This is to ensure the limitations are not exceeded during the week. JP stated that this goes against the Environment Policy as more people will have to travel further. Some people have made comments through JP that they would rather pay the charges and keep the service at the local HWRC.</p> <p>DU added that the Council looked at the Government guidance and increased the waste limit suggested in order to reduce trips to the HWRC.</p> <p>CM asked if there was a plan for an anaerobic digester in Cornwall. JW answered that Cllr Carol Mould has stated there are no immediate plans. There are contracts in place for the service change, however, local area plans and the</p>	DU



<p>waste strategy will be reviewed in the coming months. JW also highlighted that as changes to recycling are implemented, DEFRA legislation will change.</p> <p>JP added that a segment on Radio Cornwall quoted that Cornwall's food waste will be going to Somerset. DU answered that the contracted off-taker has locations including Somerset, but that these would only be used in reserve. They would also have to demonstrate the need to use these alternative locations.</p> <p>JH asked if the reduction in tonnage correlates to the amount of food waste recycled. 80 tonne of food waste was received in the first week, the reduction at the CERC was between 150 and 200 tonnes. However, it is early data from the first week and will depend on uptake and behaviour change.</p> <p>CM asked if there was a fixed price per tonne arrangement with the AD plant and if they had to transport further would the difference in price be on the AD plant, or on Cornwall Council. DU answered that the cost would be on the AD plant.</p> <p>DM asked if waste would be brought in from outside Cornwall to keep the CERC efficient as tonnes will be lost in food recycling. JW answered that it would be predominantly commercial waste from within Cornwall.</p> <p>JP asked how are we educating people about food waste as this is crucial. JW agreed and informed the group of a communication emphasis on this. Visibly seeing how much food waste they produce during the first week helps people to think about their waste.</p> <p>JH highlighted that they were told that CERC would only be accepting Cornwall's waste and that the message has altered, making it hard to believe future predictions.</p> <p>AW updated the group on the construction occurring at the site.</p> <p>ES then updated the group on Planning aspects, highlighting the detailed design process and the Non-Material Amendment that will now be withdrawn and re-submitted as a Section 73 application in relation to the louvres and fans.</p> <p>DM asked if the fans were being used. ES answered yes; two are being used and the third will remain switched off. The fans will be included in the retrospective Section 73 planning application, and SUEZ is working with CORMAC on the detailed design process.</p> <p>DM stated that the concerns of odours were raised and is disappointed that fans are now being used. ES answered that the objection raised on this issue was noted. Specialists have looked at it for odour, noise and visual impact and findings state there will be no greater emissions than the current system. AW added that this change is for the staff working conditions.</p> <p>JP stated this was a disappointing development as odour was discussed previously. The NMA and retrospective planning were not appreciated, and all of this should have been in the 2021 consultations. JD commented that the</p>



	<p>changes are not to manage the food odour, rather they are for managing the emissions from the machinery.</p> <p>PJ added that if diesel equipment causes a problem, then don't use it. JD answered that the cost to infrastructure and electrical capacity are a consideration.</p> <p>ES clarified that the consultant for these aspects cannot determine yes or no, rather they assess whether the impacts of odour, noise etc are significant.</p> <p>JPH commented that previously the messaging was around the doors remaining closed, so surely it was known that fans and louvres would be required. She added does this not become a health and safety issue for the staff and a breach in planning?</p> <p>CM answered that it is only a breach if the planning is rejected, DM adding that Connon has never had a planning application rejected. JPH commented that Cornwall Council approve Cornwall Council and SUEZ planning.</p> <p>ES highlighted that the planning is measuring the effect on the nearest receptors (nearest dwelling), not the odour within the building. JPH stated that the assessments are financed by Cornwall Council and SUEZ.</p> <p>JH added that they are seeing a pattern with planning (such as in the past with the shredder). CM added that this lack of trust will continue into future projects/planning. JW reiterated that the planning does not affect the odour impacts on receptors, this remains the same before and after the fans and louvres are in place. ES confirmed this.</p> <p>DM commented that there was disjointed thinking as the solar panel issue could be used to assist with electrical vehicles onsite and that temperature inversions have not been considered. SR commented that the odour is isolated and retained within the building when the fans and louvres are mechanically closed. JD added that when there are no operations, there are no diesel vehicles, so it can be mechanically closed. The neutralising agents can also be odourless. JP asked if the chemical composition and frequency of their use can be shared which was agreed.</p> <p>AW highlighted that there are other controls in place such as times, pressure washers etc. JP added that food that had been at residents' houses for the week before collection day will contribute to odour.</p> <p>CM commented that residents will have an accurate picture of the situation as it is experienced.</p> <p>PJ added that the current operations are a third of the expected capacity when all phases are collecting food waste.</p>	JD
6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None	



7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
7.1	None	
8.0	A.O.B	
8.1	<p>LT highlighted the Cornwall Council roadshows in the local area for residents to attend.</p> <p>JP requested a contact number for those who do not use the internet. CM answered that the number was useful 0300 1234 100.</p> <p>JW added that there are more people to answer the phones, the website is a great resource and bins will be delivered in this phase 2 area until March for an April service commencement.</p> <p>CM commented that there have been some caddies broken and some containers (personal, not Council containers) not collected, flexibility in containment was supposed to be assured. JW answered that the preference in the first instance would be to use the Council containment provided for recycling.</p> <p>CM asked about cooking oil being collected. JD answered that if residents' want to recycle it, this should come to the HWRC and not be in the food caddy. If the oil is not being recycled, then it needs to be put in the black bag.</p> <p>RP commented that the crews delivering the caddies and bins are from Essex and has witnessed the bins rolling away after they leave. He also asked why not use local people for this delivery. JW answered that they are contractors and are aware of the commercial/business properties. JP added that some holiday lets received them anyway. CM commented that there is not a report function on the website for this issue. JW to circulate a contact for holiday let reporting.</p> <p>Solar Panel update</p> <p>DU updated the group that the planning is live on the Council Portal. The Carbon Team provided an update on a community fund for the project – there are two options available. One is an upfront payment of £10,000. The other payment is the same £10,000 amount, but paid in annual amounts of £500 over a 20-year period.</p> <p>DM expressed his unhappiness about this proposal as CERC has a community fund of £100,000 per year. CM asked for the energy output which was answered to be 900KW. JW will feed these comments back to the Carbon team.</p>	<p>JW</p> <p>JW</p>
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	
9.1	14 May 2024 at 5.30pm	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	3/10/2023
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager East Cornwall
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager and Chair
Sheldon Roberts	SR	CORMAC	Project Manager
Lindsay Opie	LO	CORMAC	Communications and Engagement Manager
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste
Miriam Champion	MC	Cornwall Council	IWM Contract Projects Officer
Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	



Jane Pascoe	JP	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls	Cornwall Councillor
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Chair
John Duffy	JD	CORMAC	Site Supervisor
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager
Christine Butler	CB	Resident	
Janet Haley	JH	Resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	
Gareth Davies	GD	One Planet Associates Ltd	
Jennifer Roberts	JR	Cornwall Council	Senior Low Carbon Investment Officer

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	LT opened the meeting. Introductions were made for new members present. Apologies were received from Craig Mouatt, Emma Smyth, Alistair Walker and Dale Unsworth.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 25 April	
2.1	Minutes were adopted.	



3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	<p>SP updated that drivers have been told not to park on the pavement outside the site. JM and DM added that the vehicles are not always SUEZ but that when they park there it causes issues. SP added that members of the public are politely asked to move and not park there.</p> <p>JM asked about a sign reminding drivers to look left. SP answered that the stop line will be updated as it has started to erode.</p> <p>DM asked about what to do about a waste bag he found on the side of the road. SP stated this should be reported using the methods provided by JW in the last meetings minutes.</p> <p>JW updated the group that DU has reported the issue found by DM to the relevant authorities.</p>	
4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>JD updated the group on the HWRC and RTS.</p> <p>DM asked why a further area of the verge is not included in the vegetation maintenance as he finds the visibility for cars is difficult.</p> <p>LT asked if this has been reported to CORMAC as it is outside of SUEZ boundaries. DM insists this should be proactive and should not need to be reported, that the visibility for cars needs to be looked into. LO stated she will make enquiries on this matter.</p> <p>JD updated the group about the new reuse streams including books. RP asked where the books go for reuse and JM asked if a more local use could be found for them. JD agreed with this and will make enquiries.</p> <p>JD updated the group on the new food waste collection service.</p> <p>DM asked what times the artic lorries will be operating within. JD answered that the food waste will be taken away during the normal working hours. DM stated he had witnessed the gates open at 6.30pm and asked why this occurred. JD answered that staff need to complete a two- hour fire watch at the end of the operational hours.</p> <p>DM asked if it was a coincidence that he had seen a waste vehicle on the A30 after operational hours. JD answered that the vehicle was not heading to the site, rather was most likely returning from Avonmouth.</p> <p>RP asked if open containers will be used. JD answered that the food waste will be within sealed units.</p> <p>JH asked how regularly will the food waste be leaving the site. JD answered that it will be based on the tonnage received. This means it will be daily or until they have 20 tonnes, which will mean it will be moved daily or every other day.</p> <p>SR updated the group on the construction of the site.</p>	<p>LO</p> <p>JD</p>



	JH asked if more water will be drawn to the site. SR stated that no more than is the current amount. JD added that they will use water for the jet wash, but that the fire suppression tank will be filled and only used if needed, then filled up again afterwards. This equates to no more water being used than currently.	
6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None	
7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
7.1	DM asked why there was a power cut on the 26 July. SR answered because the National Grid needed to complete works. DM stated that they were told it would occur from 5.30pm – 10.30pm but that the power remained off until midnight. DM and JM asked why SUEZ or CORMAC did not tell them that this was happening. SR answered that it was a National Grid operation and that they had no influence on when this would be carried out or the time it took.	
8.0	A.O.B	
8.1	<p>JP asked about the food collection roll out and the geographic locations. JW answered Councillors and Town and Parish Councils have been provided this information as part of their briefings and that timings and location of each phase can be circulated in the minutes. DM and JP pointed out that they were unaware that food waste from the phase 1 area would be coming into the Connon Bridge site. JD highlighted that it is the same waste that is currently coming into the site. LT added that the roadshow locations can also be shared to members to find out more information.</p> <p>Please see links below for more information on the service change and the roadshows.</p> <p>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling-and-waste/new-food-waste-recycling-and-rubbish-service/</p> <p>https://www.cornwall.gov.uk/rubbish-recycling-and-waste/new-food-waste-recycling-and-rubbish-service/talk-to-us-face-to-face-at-a-community-roadshow/</p> <p>JP asked that the Parish Clerk is sent the vehicle logs every month before their meeting (3rd Monday of the month). JD will supply the raw data.</p>	JD/SC
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	
9.1	30 th January 2024	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	25/04/2023
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager – East Cornwall
Jennifer Roberts	JR	Cornwall Council	Carbon Neutral Cornwall Officer
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Janet Haley	JH	Resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Resident	
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste
Sheldon Roberts	SR	CORMAC	Project Manager



Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Chair

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	Lisa Thompson opened the meeting Apologies were received from Alistair Walker, Emma Smyth, John Duffy, Lindsay Opie, Jane Pascoe, John Davis and Jenny Mills.	
2.0	Approval of the previous meetings minutes	
2.1	Minutes were approved.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	Members updated the group on actions received from the last meeting. SP updated the record of every vehicle moving over the way bridge SR added to this figure for construction traffic from CORMAC. DM asked if food waste and road sweepings were included in these figures. SP answered that road sweepings are already included in the figures provided and moving to two weekly collections will offset food waste collections being introduced. LT updated on JD's behalf that an induction for drivers will remind them not to park on the verges. SP added that there is a sign thanking drivers to not park on the verges. DM added that drivers were also parking on the footpath. SP agreed to speak to the drivers about this. SP stated that the weather has not permitted staff to paint the white lines on site but that the verges have been cut.	SP



6.0	Question and answer session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
6.1	One submitted to be brought up at the restored landfill section of the meeting.	
7.0	Any other business	
7.1	<p>LT updated at the scope fund will accept and consider applications for funding and for anyone interested to contact her directly.</p> <p>JH asked if it would be possible to see an overhead layout of the site.</p> <p>SR answered that this morning they had conducted a drone flight and will update at the next meeting.</p>	SR
8.0	Date of next meeting	
8.1	5 September 2023.	



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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	31/01/2023
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager East Cornwall
Alistair Walker	AW	SUEZ	Construction Project Manager
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager and Chair
Sheldon Roberts	SR	CORMAC	Project Manager
Lindsay Opie	LO	CORMAC	Communications and Engagement Manager
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste
Doug Mills	DM	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	



Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls	Cornwall Councillor
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Chair
John Duffy	JD	CORMAC	Site Supervisor
Stuart Parker	SP	SUEZ	Senior Site Manager

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	LT opened the meeting. Introductions were made for new members present. Apologies were received from Craig Mouatt, Andrew Smith, Tim Warne, Emma Smyth, Paul Jordan, Janet and Henry Haley.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 19/07/22	
2.1	Participants need to be added RP and CS. Minutes adopted.	SC
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	<p>SR updated that the vehicle log has been submitted to JP. DM added that the concern is not just for CORMAC vehicles but for total vehicles on site. SR suggested a catch up with JD about this.</p> <p>JM highlighted that two or three times a day there are vehicles parked by the entrance to site on the opposite side of the road.</p> <p>JD suggested including information in a driver's induction and a sign to keep the area clear. JW added that the vehicle limit means that it is important this is sorted out.</p>	<p>SR / JD</p> <p>JD</p>



	<p>AW answered the last meetings enquiry about how many contractors competed for the contract. There were three original tenders and two competed before CORMAC were awarded the contract.</p> <p>LO completed her action by sharing the CORMAC contact information.</p> <p>JD to action the painting of the "Stop" line.</p>	JD
4.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
4.1	<p>JD updated the group that the verge has been cut back.</p> <p>DM asked who is responsible for the estate as he had come across fly tipping and a tree that had fallen down. DU answered that it would be the Council and that it needed to be reported to Biffa. DM added that he used to contact Ian from SUEZ, DU said that Ian is with the Council and this would be effective. Ian's contact information was shared with the group along with minutes of a previous meeting. SC/LT will share these details again with the group.</p> <p>AW and SR updated the group on construction and ecology matters.</p>	SC/LT
6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None	
7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
7.1	None	
8.0	A.O.B	
8.1	<p>LT updated that the Scope fund will be open soon for submissions. DM showed the group his successful application in the previous round of funding for "warm place" LT to update the group when applications are open again.</p> <p>RP added that it used to be easier to report issues when it was known who was responsible for what. JW answered that it is best to report it direct to Biffa. JP added that while it is reported, they do not always update people to let them know when the job has been actioned.</p> <p>DM added that there is surface water that travels across the road and down the dip which creates an ice rink in the colder temperatures. DM believes that a pipe might be blocked.</p>	LT



	<p>SR added that it looks like the water from the site and the road are picked up in this system. CORMAC have updated it and it should now be 80% better than it was previously and should have been noticeable this January.</p> <p>DM added that historically water came out of it and questioned if there is a pipe across the road that is still blocked. AW asked if the drain modifications on site should accommodate this. SR stated that it is offsite.</p> <p>DM added that the pipe looks to go past CORMAC and towards the source of Widow Path stream. DU to pass this along to highways for an update.</p> <p>JP asked about the different funds available from SUEZ. LT and SC to share this information with the group.</p>	<p>SR/AW</p> <p>DU</p> <p>SC/LT</p>
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	
9.1	To be confirmed.	

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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	04/10/2022
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Jon Davis	JD	SUEZ	Operations Manager East Cornwall
Alistair Walker	AW	SUEZ	Construction Project Manager
Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager and Chair
Sheldon Roberts	SR	CORMAC	Project Manager
Lindsay Opie	LO	CORMAC	Communications and Engagement Manager
Andrew Smith	AS	CORMAC	Senior Project Manager
John Emerson	JE	Local resident	
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Matthew Sleeman	MS	Cornwall Council	Planning Officer

Jackie Ward	JW	Cornwall Council	Head of Waste
Doug Mills	DM	Local resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	Parish Councillor
Jenny Mills	JM	Local resident	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chair of Braddock Parish Council	Parish Councillor
Mark Holmes	MH	Cornwall Council	
Jennifer Roberts	JR	Cornwall Council	Carbon Neutral Cornwall Officer
Janet Haley	JH	Local resident	
Henry Haley	HH	Local resident	
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cllr for Liskeard South and Dobwalls	Cornwall Councillor
Richard Pugh	RP	Local resident	
Carole Spear	CS	Cllr for St Pinnock Parish Council (Chair)	Parish Councillor

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome, introductions and apologies	
1.1	LT opened the meeting. Introductions were made for new members present. No apologies were received.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 19/07/22	
2.1	Minutes adopted.	

3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	None.	
4.0	Terms of Reference	
4.1	<p>LT explained the rationale for the alterations made to the ToR to reflect the change of responsibility for the restored landfill at Connon Bridge.</p> <p>PJ asked if the ToR needed to include a clause for an independent chair.</p> <p>LT replied that she is happy to chair, but that it gives the option should circumstances change.</p>	
5.0	SUEZ Operational Update HWRC & RTS and Construction Update	
5.1	<p>JD updated the group on operations at the HWRC and the RTS, including the details of the recent fire at Connon Bridge.</p> <p>A question was raised about where the shredder was when the fire started and if the shredder itself caused the fire.</p> <p>JD answered that the shredder was outside and that the cause of the fire was more likely to be a battery rather than the machine itself due to the lithium contained inside batteries.</p> <p>JP asked if the public are aware of the dangers of batteries.</p> <p>LT answered that there are campaigns to educate the public on this issue.</p> <p>JW added that for those not online, a newsletter will be used to spread the message.</p> <p>AW then updated the group on the progress made to planning and construction, introducing the representatives from CORMAC to expand on the update.</p> <p>JP asked if there would be a record kept of the vehicle movements during construction, and if this can be shared with the Parish Council on a regular basis.</p> <p>SR answered that a full register of vehicles on site will be kept, and this can be shared with the Parish Council.</p>	SR
6.0	Parish Council requests/suggestions	
6.1	None raised.	
7.0	Question and Answer Session (including questions submitted to Chair)	

7.1	<p>LT stated that no questions had been raised in advance of the meeting.</p> <p>DM asked if MIDAS going bust had an impact on CORMAC being awarded the contract.</p> <p>AW replied that due to the non-material amendment being altered, the contract went back out to market for retender. With this additional information CORMAC were awarded the contract.</p> <p>A question was raised about how many tenders there were for the contract.</p> <p>AW to ascertain and get back to the group.</p> <p>DU asked who would be the point of contact at CORMAC if the CLG has any concerns during construction.</p> <p>LO answered there is a specified outbox which is monitored that the group can use. This will be shared with the group.</p> <p>A question was raised about subcontractors and reassurance was given that they will keep to the standards set by CORMAC and SUEZ.</p> <p>SR stated that CORMAC will monitor subcontractors as best they can and if examples of noncompliance are found, they can deal with these.</p> <p>AW added that the traffic management plan shared with CORMAC is also shared with subcontractors, so all parties are aware of the plans in place.</p> <p>JM and DM asked how construction traffic may impact the roads and queuing around the HWRC.</p> <p>SR answered that CORMAC will liaise with the site for delivery at non-peak times. There is also the possibility of using a route that would take the construction traffic direct to the CORMAC compound to alleviate the queueing for the weighbridge and at the entrance to the HWRC.</p> <p>DM raised an issue with a white line that needs repainting on the road.</p> <p>JD to investigate this.</p>	<p>AW</p> <p>LT/SC</p> <p>JD</p>
8.0	A.O.B	
8.1	<p>LT highlighted the SUEZ Cornwall annual report has been published and is available to download from the SUEZ Cornwall website. LT also highlighted that the restored landfill and ongoing discussion about solar panels will take place at the end of the main CLG meeting as its own separate sub-meeting, chaired and minuted by Cornwall Council representatives.</p>	
9.0	Date of Next Meeting	



9.1	The next meeting will be held in February. The date will be confirmed with the group.	
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Subject	Connon Bridge Liaison Group
Date	19/7/2022
Location	Connon Bridge
Recorder	Sarah Cotton
Chair	Lisa Thompson

Present

Name	Initials	Company	Title
Dale Unsworth	DU	Cornwall Council	Integrated Waste Management Contract Team Leader
Doug Mills	DM	Local resident and St Pinnock Parish Council	
Emma Smyth	ES	SUEZ	Planning Manager
Ian Mitchell	IM	Cornwall Council	Landfill Senior Site Manager
Jane Pascoe	JP	Cornwall Council Liskeard South & Dobwalls	
Janise Philp		St Pinnock Parish Councillor	
John Emerson	JE	Resident	
Paul Jordan	PJ	Chairman of Braddock Parish Council	
Richard Pugh	RP	Resident	
Alistair Walker	AW	SUEZ	



Sarah Cotton	SC	SUEZ	Education and Community Officer
Jenny Mills	JM	Resident	
Lisa Thompson	LT	SUEZ	Senior Community Liaison Manager
Jennifer Roberts	JR	Cornwall Council	Carbon Neutral Cornwall
Carole Spear	CS	CIr for St. Pinnock Parish Council (Chair)	Parish Councillor

Ref	Note	Action
1.0	Welcome and apologies	
1.1	Apologies were received from Matthew Sleeman, Patrick Daws, Stephanie Carlyon and Robert Williams.	
2.0	Minutes of meeting held on 29/0/22	
2.1	Minutes adopted.	
3.0	Matters arising	
3.1	DM mentioned the sightline on the main road. LT answered that this is outside the boundary of SUEZ. DM replied that it had been cut and that he had contacted those responsible and has been assured that they will be proactive in the future. DM also brought up that the hedge on the right is getting overgrown. Action for the responsible party. LT will investigate.	LT
4.0	SUEZ update – Potential dates for commencement of construction	



4.1	ES updated the group on the progress of the planning.	
5.0	Cornwall Council update on Restoration handover	
5.1	<p>DU updated the group on the landfill restoration, highlighting that IM has transferred employment to Cornwall Council to continue working on the landfill site. IM assured everyone that he will be contactable for those who have enquiries. Action to distribute contact information.</p> <p>DM questioned if ragwort part of this remit. IM stated that it will be dealt with.</p> <p>DM asked for an update on a field being transferred to a farmer and if this was something the Council was able to do or not as was previously mentioned. JR to investigate this and report back.</p> <p>Questions were raised about the food waste collection fleet and the transportation required to get the food waste to an anaerobic digester</p> <p>LT also highlighted the importance of raising questions prior to the meeting to allow for cohesive and productive answers to be shared with the group.</p> <p>DU answered that the Council is considering the options of an anaerobic digester, but that this is a long-term aspiration, and not an alternative to a transfer station, but in conjunction with one. In the short-term food waste will go to merchant capacity.</p> <p>J Pascoe – stated that taking the food waste out of the county is a waste of money and that the investment in an anaerobic digester should have been thought of previously.</p> <p>DU replied that the Council is actively looking into options and that the merchant capacity is to ensure that food waste collection can occur from 2023.</p> <p>J Philp asked if a cost analysis of the anaerobic digester can be publicised to allow the public to express opinions</p>	<p>IM/ LT</p> <p>JR</p> <p>LT</p> <p>LT/ DU</p>
6.0	Personnel changes / staffing structure at the Council	
6.1	DU explained how the waste service now sits within the Council's structure and highlighted that a new service director will be in position later this year.	
7.0	Solar Array	
7.1	PJ asked how many other sites for the solar array were considered before Connon Bridge.	



	<p>JR answered that Connon Bridge is a rare site with an available grid connection and the capacity to install renewable energy on a Council property. She highlighted those investigations started 3 years ago and that there are 5 or 6 similar projects in planning.</p> <p>J Philp asked what improvement can be made to the site if it is to go ahead. JR answered that more permissive footpaths are suggested in the planning drawing.</p> <p>J Philp asked whether the solar panels could be moved to another area of the site and that the community needs more than a park in compensation. JR highlighted that the area selected was chosen for a reason and cannot be moved without consideration.</p> <p>J Philp felt ignored and bullied as the Parish are not given anything in return and their suggestions are ignored.</p> <p>JP hoped that comments from the Parish would have been considered. JR reiterated that the solar panels are ideally located in the planning.</p> <p>J Philp stated that the land was meant to be restored to agricultural land but that now it is for a solar array with a path. She is against the land being used for solar array and highlighted that the need for agricultural land will increase with influences such as the Ukrainian war.</p> <p>JR highlighted that the land is low grade level 3 land.</p> <p>JP asked if solar panels could be added to roofs instead, as the shortage of wheat should be a consideration. JP also hoped to have an answer during the meeting about using roofs for solar panels.</p> <p>LT suggested adding this topic of solar panels on roofs to the next meeting's agenda.</p> <p>PJ added that planning permission would need to be granted for solar panels on roofs and should be investigated.</p> <p>J Philp added that permissive paths on top of the restored footpaths are not enough. She explained that the use of the land has been restricted from what was previously agreed and feels that it is an urban development. She reiterated feeling ignored as the Council makes decisions on Council planning.</p> <p>JR stated that verbal suggestions need to be backed up with writing, LT echoed this as emailing in suggestions are needed for meetings.</p> <p>J Philp to document these wishes and send them to JR.</p> <p>JP asked what the timeline for this application is.</p> <p>JR answered that Spring next year is the estimate.</p> <p>DM added that the roof suggestion needs to be considered as soon as possible.</p>	<p>LT/ JR</p> <p>J Philp</p> <p>JR</p>
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8.0	Question and answer session (including questions submitted to Chair)	
8.1	<p>LT reiterated the need to express questions in a calm and respectful manner.</p> <p>CS asked whether there was an opportunity to fund a play area in East Taphouse which has not been compensated for its location in relation to the site. LT answered that there is a community trust fund that could be applied for and has been successful elsewhere.</p> <p>PJ added that he had had success with this in the past.</p> <p>CS also asked if a speed limit can be enforced as a recent near miss highlighted the danger.</p>	LT/DU
9.0	Any Other Business	
9.1	JP reiterated that the ragwort needs to be a high priority.	
10.0	Date of next meeting	
10.1	LT will send out a poll for everyone to determine the next meeting date.	LT

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
1.0	Welcome and apologies	
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.	
2.0	SUEZ presentation 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>Question and answer session</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>Close of meeting</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>	