Noise Monitoring Steering Group

Site – 19th November 2013 14:45 – 15:50

Present:

- John Wade
- Graham Hooper
- Jane Ford
- Daniel Ellis
- Sarah Taylor

Apologies:

- Gregg Portass
- Jürgen Folz
- David Mudge

Construction Director, MVV Public Protection Service, PCC Community Liaison Manager, MVV (minutes) URS Environment Agency

Public Protection Service, PCC Site Manager, Envi-Con Environment Agency

ITEM		ACTION
1.	Introductions, present and apologies	
	As above	
2.	Minutes of last meeting	
	Minutes of last meeting were agreed. MVV's website has been reorganised so that information is easier to find	
	Matters arising:	
	MVV are continuing with bi-weekly monitoring due to the fact that there have been no changes in on-site activities and no exceedances of noise limits.	
	PPS would strongly recommend that MVV resume weekly monitoring to demonstrate continued compliance with prescribed noise limits.	
	This ongoing situation was discussed and where a stalemate continues it was agreed a method of resolution needs to be found. PPS to consult with the LPA and MVV to consult with their senior management. This issue is still under review by both parties.	PPS/ MVV
3.	Noise monitoring report	
	Monitoring since the last meeting was carried out on the following dates: • 22 nd October 2013 • 29 th /30th October 2013 • 13 th November 2013 • 19 th November 2013	

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	 R17, additional monitoring location on Talbot Gardens, has been included due to work in the workshop area. Monitoring took place on: 22nd October 2013 	
	 29th October 2013 13th November 2013 	
	Noise levels varied between 45dB and 63dB Noise levels were found to be still within agreed limits. No significant change in noise levels has been seen with the ongoing works.	
	Noise monitoring sessions have been staggered throughout the day and the order of monitoring receptors has been changed to ensure that a representative range of site activities is captured.	
	Non Destructive Testing NDT has been ongoing for 7 weeks and monitoring has been carried out during 9 sessions with another scheduled for this week. Noise monitoring reports have been sent to PPS.	
	MVV will continue ensure that noise monitoring reports are placed on their website.	JF
	At the end of the trial period, the specific requirements for continuing NDT will be formalised between MVV and the LPA.	MVV / LPA
4.	Site actions and updates	
	Construction of the new bridge is ongoing.	
	Installation and erection of components and steel work for the boiler are ongoing; boiler pressure parts are being erected.	
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	detailed above.	
	Steelwork for the administration block and visitor/education centre has commenced.	
	Acoustic screens are still being used strategically around site as needed.	
	The building concrete structures are now providing some additional mitigation.	
6.	Complaints	
	No complaints have been received. MVV and site management have been successful in the drive to eradicate reversing alarms from the site; some 'white noise' alarms are still being used.	
7.	AOB	
	A Commissioning Management Plan will be submitted to the LPA in accordance with planning condition requirements.	MVV
	Dialogue continues with the Environment Agency regarding permit pre-operational conditions.	
	MVV are aware of the need to produce these commissioning plans and intend that they will be available well in advance of the start of commissioning.	
	Elected members have renewed their request to attend the NMSG. The group will reconsider this request.	NMSG