

Noise Monitoring Steering Group

Site – 16th July 2013
10:50am – 12:00pm

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • John Wade • Jurgen Folz • David Mudge • Graham Hooper • Daniel Ellis • Jane Ford • Caroline Leatherdale | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Construction Director, MVV Site Manager, Envi-Con Environment Agency Public Protection Service, PCC URS Community Liaison Manager, MVV (minutes) Environmental Manager, Kier/MVV |
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Apologies:

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Nicola Horne • Alf Maneylaws • Gregg Portass • Sarah Taylor | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Public Protection Service, PCC URS Public Protection Service, PCC Environment Agency |
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ITEM		ACTION
1.	Introductions, present and apologies	
	As above	
2.	Confirmation of agenda	
	Agenda was agreed	
3.	Minutes of last meeting	
	<p>Minutes of last meeting were discussed.</p> <p><u>Matters arising:</u></p> <p>PPS expressed disappointment that a decision to reduce the frequency of noise monitoring was taken without consultation with the PPS and NMSG.</p> <p>MVV have undertaken weekly noise monitoring for four consecutive weeks. There has been no breach of noise limits or change in activities and MVV have reverted to fortnightly monitoring.</p> <p>It was agreed that any future changes to the noise monitoring regime would be discussed with the PPS and NMSG before implementation.</p>	
4.	Noise monitoring report	
	<p>Monitoring since the last meeting was carried out on the following dates:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - 19th June 2013 - 26th June 2013 - 4th July 2013 - 16th July 2013 <p>Noise levels varied between 47 and 64dB</p>	

	<p>Noise levels were found to be still within agreed limits. No significant change in noise levels has been seen with the start of the steelworks.</p> <p>It was agreed to carry out some future noise monitoring sessions at different times of the day.</p> <p>PPS and EA would strongly recommend that MVV resume weekly monitoring to demonstrate continued compliance with prescribed noise limits.</p> <p>MVV will consider this and a decision will be made by the end of this week.</p> <p>PPS confirmed they would share any additional noise monitoring records from their own monitoring.</p> <p>MVV will advise PPS of their future monitoring schedule.</p>	<p>MVV</p> <p>PPS</p> <p>MVV</p>
5.	Site actions and updates	
	<p>New activity on site includes demolition of existing weight-limited (North) bridge. A photograph is appended to these minutes, explaining the process and showing mitigation measures in place. Noise monitoring will be timed to capture this activity and no breaking works will be carried out over the weekend.</p> <p>Erection of steel work for filters and silos, installation and erection of components and steel work for the boiler are ongoing.</p> <p>Installation of assembled bag filter units is ongoing and two silos have been installed.</p> <p>Limited excavation works around piles and foundations are ongoing.</p> <p>Construction works for floor slabs and walls are ongoing.</p> <p>Major steel work installation started in the middle of June 2013.</p> <p>Acoustic screens are still being used strategically around site as needed. Noise monitoring has been carried out.</p> <p>The building concrete structures are now providing some additional mitigation.</p>	
6.	Complaints	
	<p>One noise complaint has been received since the last meeting. This was relating to demolition works on the weight-limited (North) bridge.</p>	

	Potential for further complaints was avoided by changing working method from concrete pecker to hydraulic breaker, which resulted in significantly lower noise levels.	
7.	AOB	
	Date of next meeting: 27 th August 2013 @ 14:30	