

MVV reviews roadshow responses

Following a series of ten roadshows last month across South West Devon, MVV Environment Devonport Ltd is reviewing the feedback it received from the hundreds of people who attended.

At the events, held jointly with the South West Devon Waste Partnership (SWDWP), MVV displayed its latest proposals for an Energy from Waste plant in North Yard, HM Naval Base Devonport. Members of MVV's project team as well as representatives of SWDWP were on hand to answer questions from visitors. Over 1,000 people visited the roadshow in total and over 270 people have completed feedback forms.

Paul Carey, Managing Director of MVV Environment Devonport Ltd, said: 'We would like to thank everyone who took the time to come to one of our events, discuss the proposals and leave their feedback. We are now in the process of reviewing all the comments we received. The key concerns that people have raised are the potential impact of emissions on health, traffic and the closeness of the plant to houses and schools. We are looking at these points and the other issues that have been raised and, where practicable, we will take these into account as we finalise our proposals before submitting our planning application to Plymouth City Council next month.

'Also, we have noted where people have said they would like more details on specific aspects of the proposal and we will be making further information available, both on our website and in a newsletter which we will be publishing at the beginning of April for the first time.'

Local Liaison Committee

At the roadshows, MVV asked for volunteers to join a Local Liaison Committee (LLC), and over 35 people have come forward. The LLC will allow local people who are interested in the proposals to engage in regular dialogue with MVV and other parties, including SWDWP, the Ministry of Defence and Plymouth City Council. It is hoped that the group will not only meet throughout the planning stage, but – should the proposal be granted planning permission - also during the construction and entire operational period of the facility.

Paul Carey added: 'We are pleased with the initial response and want to thank everybody willing to get involved with the project. We want the LLC to represent a broad range of interests, including elected representatives and members of Incineration Is Wrong as well as of other bodies. We have invited all those who have expressed an initial interest **PRESS RELEASE**

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in taking part to come to a preliminary meeting at Tamar View Community Centre later this month to agree the initial membership of the committee. The operation and terms of reference of the committee will also be discussed.'

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Preference would be given to those representing the community from the area within a few miles of the site, although it is MVV's intention to include volunteers from outlying areas, including Torpoint and Saltash. MVV will publish notes of the meetings and details of the membership.

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Notes to editors:

MVV has been awarded preferred bidder status by the South West Devon Waste Partnership to help it manage residual waste produced in Devon, Torbay and Plymouth. This is the waste left over after kerbside recycling. MVV will be applying to Plymouth City Council for planning permission to build an Energy from Waste plant at North Yard, Devonport, to treat the waste.

MVV Environment Devonport Limited is an English registered company with its registered office in Plymouth. It is the subsidiary company of MVV Umwelt and will be the contractor to SWDWP. Both companies are members of German utility company MVV Energie, whose headquarters are in Mannheim. MVV Umwelt provides flexible solutions for waste disposal, producing environmentally sustainable energy. In Germany, MVV Umwelt operates five Energy from Waste plants, managing 1.6 million tonnes of waste a year. With over 45 years' experience, MVV Umwelt is in the top three companies in Germany in its field.

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