

## Devonport Incinerator Liaison Committee Meeting

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> Feb 2012

Tamar View Community Centre – 6 – 8pm

### Present:

- Richard Lawrie - RL(Chair)
- Karen Nelson - KN
- Helen Keats - HK
- Amber Keats - AK
- Jenny Hall – JH
- Margaret Mckee - MM
- Agnes Cook - AC
- David Lloyd - DL
- Jane Ford - JF
- John Meaken - JM (MOD)
- Mark Turner - MT (SWDWP)
- Paul Carey - PC (MVV)

### Guest attendees:

- Hannah Sloggett - HS (PCC Planning)
- Judy Proctor – JS (EA)
- Katie Snook - KS (EA)
- Justine Wotton - JW (MVV)

ITEM		ACTION
<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Ian Potts</li><li>• Susan Clark</li><li>• David Mudge (EA)</li><li>• Ian Bowyer (PCC councillor)</li></ul>	
<b>2.</b>	<b>Confirmation of agenda and time limit for meeting</b>	
	Agreed and confirmed – 2 hours maximum	
<b>3.</b>	<b>Minutes of last meeting and actions arising not covered by agenda items</b>	
	<u>Minutes of last meeting</u>  JH has requested that more detail be added to section 5 of the previous minutes regarding her comment on a report by the World Bank. Minutes to include “a minimum of 300 metres from residential areas has been recommended in the report”. PC discussed the report and informed the	

	<p>Committee that the report was based on EfW plants in third world countries.</p> <p>JH discussed that the minutes were late being added to MVV website. She believes that the site is not performing its function for liaison purposes. PC confirmed that the website has been updated with the Devonport ILC minutes.</p> <p><u>Matters arising</u></p> <p>JH asked for an update on the toxicology report being written by Professor Dott. PC updated Committee members and informed them that references have been missed out and MVV have requested that he highlight the specific references. PC explained that it is a literature review and various studies need to be incorporated.</p>	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Questions and Answers on planning consent, permit application and MVV proposals</b>	
	<p>Susan Clark sent questions by email concerning house prices; in particular reference to selling homes, low valuations and searches etc - asked if there is a compensation act and if so how do local residents apply.</p> <p>RL discussed the question on behalf of SC. PC informed the Committee that there is no compensation or provision for such a development. PC discussed and tabled a report by Clutttons on the impact of such EfW developments on house prices and this report indicated no long-term impacts. KN asked if MVV knew the timescale that the report referred to. PC discussed and told the Committee that he feels the impact on housing caused by the EfW CHP plant will be short term.</p> <p>Question received by Richard Lawrie from Hugh James – Will MVV keep a close eye on the study being commissioned by the Health Protection Agency and what would MVV do in response to the report?</p> <p>PC told the Committee that MVV will take the report extremely serious and will keep an eye on its progress but it is not due to report its initial findings until 2014. MVV have offered to provide information to the study for co-operation but this has so far not been taken up.</p> <p>Judy Procter (EA) advised the Committee that over the lifetime of the plant legislation may change. The EA will work with the industry to tighten standards in response to any new legislation.</p> <p>KN discussed her concern that the local residents will still have the large facility to look at, even if MVV are shut down for not meeting legislation. PC informed KN that if MVV stop operating the facility, it will need to be demolished within a time frame. PC gave examples of former sites that didn't meet the Waste Incineration Directive (WID) and have since been demolished. KN accepted the information given.</p> <p>JH discussed IBA, Whitecleave Quarry Planning Application and the Buckfastleigh Community Forum. PC discussed condition 8 of the planning authority which states that 95% of the IBA must be recycled and not taken to landfill.</p>	

PC discussed MVV obligations and the Whitecleave Quarry Planning application in detail, including suggestions and mitigation measures that have been made by the Highways Agency and Natural England. PC highlighted that a Health Impact Assessment had recently been completed for the planning application.

PC discussed the blasting trials that will be taking place at the quarry.

AC discussed a programme on television called Homes under the Hammer and how it has made reference to IBA being dangerous as an aggregate. The EA informed the Committee that IBA is proven safe to use as an aggregate and that it is not a hazardous material.

JH asked MVV how they can be sure, consistently, what is in the IBA. EA discussed the monitoring process.

DL discussed Plymouth City Council's recycling incentives and various other waste collection methods which he felt PCC should be adopting. MT highlighted some of the problems experienced by PCC but that improvements were planned and extensive recycling services were available but the public need to do their bit. DL asked SWDWP how they are looking to improve recycling and discussed the various wasted resources of recycling, including aluminium cans. MT discussed the problem of contamination levels and poor take-up of services offered by PCC.

PC discussed level of recycling in Germany and relationship with EfW and that the notion that EfW reduces recycling levels is simply not true.

The caloric value of plastic was discussed in relation to recycling. PC urged the Committee to look at the following websites:

- [www.bpf.co.uk/](http://www.bpf.co.uk/)
- [www.plasticseurope.org](http://www.plasticseurope.org)
- [www.pafa.org.uk](http://www.pafa.org.uk)

AC discussed her concerns regarding the risk of flooding. PC informed Committee that MVV have to prove that they will not cause a flood and that in the event of a flood; the EfW CHP facility can sustain the impact. PC informed Committee of the Flood Assessment.

JH believes that HGV movements are underestimated and discussed the difference between miles per gallon of a HGV compared to a family car. JH asked if this has been taken into account and it was confirmed that CO2 assessments had taken this into account.

PC informed Committee that a visual demonstration has of traffic movements has been produced.

AC/ PC discussed noise monitoring levels. PC informed Committee in detail of the Background Noise Assessment which took place in the summer 2011 and how computer software was used to determine how noise is perceived in various areas.

	<p>The Committee discussed the future North Yard Community Trust (NYCT) and its primary functions. PC discussed the legal obligations of the trust. MVV have to propose the composition of the trust and PCC have to approve. HS informed the Committee that the community will be consulted through a workshop in the near future to help inform the shape of the future Trust.</p> <p>HS discussed various issues surrounding the trust, i.e. conflict of interest. It is a complicated process but PCC are keen to understand the issues from a broad range of residents. This is a Community led trust.</p> <p>MVV will write a proposal/ Terms of Reference. MVV will submit this document to PCC for approval.</p> <p>PC requested Committee members read the Section 106 where the North Yard Community Trust is detailed.</p>	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Forthcoming activities on site.</b>	
	<p>MVV have received planning permission subject to several conditions, some have to be discharged before they can start work on site. As soon as all conditions have been discharged MVV will start work on site.</p> <p>A Construction Newsletter will be sent to a local distribution area (larger than before – incorporating suggestions and requests from several residents). The newsletter will be a regular update of what is happening on site to keep people informed.</p> <p>JM discussed various works that are or will be taking place in North Yard by the MOD including the construction of accommodation for Marines, piling works etc.</p> <p>PC discussed Preliminary Works which will be starting shortly. This will involve a new fence line, access road, cabling for power supply, construction offices and a lay-down area. There will be no main works on site for several months.</p> <p>AC asked MVV why Blackies Wood is contaminated. PC/ JM informed AC that it is not contaminated. MVV will need to tidy the area up and a risk assessment will need to be completed before the area is opened up to the public. MVV plan to open it for regulated public access but it will still remain MOD property. PC discussed landscaping on the grass area of Blackies Wood.</p>	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Any other business</b>	
	<p>AC asked MT if SWDWP will be producing a newsletter. MT informed the Committee that SWDWP would not be producing a newsletter but that MVV would be providing regular updates.</p> <p>HS discussed Debbie Burton (Barne Barton Community Manager) and her role in the local community. HS suggested that Debbie Burton attend a future ILC meeting as a neighbourhood/ council contact.</p> <p>AC asked if the Devonport ILC will be disbanded once the North Yard</p>	

	Trust has been established. PC stated there is a commitment for life under the Terms of Reference and its role will be different to the NYCT.	
<b>7.</b>	<b>Date of next meeting</b>	
	Thursday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March 2012 – 6pm	