

MVV to pursue recycling facilities at Whitecleave Quarry

MVV Environment Devonport Ltd and the opponents of a planned development at Whitecleave Quarry, Buckfastleigh, have this week exchanged evidence for an inquiry set to start on 25th June. The inquiry follows the initial refusal by Devon County Council of a planning application for a materials recycling facility and incinerator bottom ash processing plant at the quarry. MVV have appealed against this decision. The Buckfastleigh facility would recycle construction and demolition waste, and bottom ash from MVV's energy from waste plant currently under construction in Plymouth.

Paul Carey, Managing Director of MVV Environment Devonport Ltd, said: "We remain convinced that the facility at Whitecleave Quarry will result in an overall positive benefit for the local community. There will be a significant number of new local jobs, and the impacts on the community will be very limited."

The main reason originally cited by Devon County Council for refusing planning permission lies in the areas of noise, traffic and dust pollution for the local community. This reason has recently been withdrawn by Devon County Council.

Paul Carey said: "In our evidence, we show clearly that this impact is either very small or negligible, and that it will be offset by mitigation measures which we have committed to undertake."

The relevant documents showing MVV's evidence can be found on the website of MVV: www.mvvuk.co.uk in the "Whitecleave Recycling" section.

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