Clayton Hall Landfill – January 2022 Site Update

Since the last site update in October, there has been 0 complaints during Q4 2021 (as of 05/01/2022). However, there has been 1 complaint received in January in relation to odour but company investigations show that this is not related to the site. The complaint was received from the Environment Agency.

Month	Number of complaints	
October	0	
November	0	
December	0	
Total	0	

Nature	Number of complaints		
Odour	0		
Other	0		
Total	0		

Month	Date	Amount	Nature	Complainant Location	Wind direction (blowing to) *
October	-	-	-	-	-
Total October		0			
Month	Date	Amount	Nature	Complainant Location	Wind direction (blowing to) *
November	-	-	-	-	-
Total November		0			
Month	Date	Amount	Nature	Complainant Location	Wind direction (blowing to) *
December	-	-			
Total December 0		*Wind direction at time of detection detailed by complaint			
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Total	0

The complaint received in January has been thoroughly investigated in accordance with Neales Waste Management/Quercia's procedures.

As part of the company's investigations, we continue to utilise the on-site weather station which is serviced and calibrated by an external company.

Regular inspections for odour, birds etc at the site boundaries are still being undertaken by the company. Typically, these are carried out by a member of staff undertaking the daily environmental monitoring activities to ensure compliance with Government guidance on Covid -19 controls including social distancing etc.

Daily checks continue to be made for landfill gas odour, particularly around the full extent of the temporary capped area and site's deep well locations.

Monthly waste inputs have increased over the previous quarter. On average, inputs are approx 800 - 1000 tonnes per week. This is despite of the ongoing impact of the current national shortage of HGV drivers and the need for collection staff to self-isolate due to Covid which has resulted in increased co-collection of wastes. Restoration soil deliveries are not included in these input figures.

The company will continue to decline opportunities of additional potentially odorous waste inputs due to the possibility of these wastes producing odours which could have an impact off site.

Techniques for dispersing scavenging birds; bird kite, scarecrows, audible distress calls (fitted to landfill machines) and gas cannon continue to be utilised to prevent on site issues however, there continues to be very low numbers of birds residing on site. We continue to use less aggressive dispersal methods to reduce the number of scavenging birds moving towards the local population.

The odour suppression unit continues to run during site operational hours as a minimum.

The placement of restoration soils has been completed for 2021. Areas where soil placement has been completed have been seeded.

The works to construct a further tipping cell in the southern part of the site have been completed. The work was undertaken by a local earthworks contractor and local specialist liner contractor under full CQA standards.

Future capping and construction works do not require any excavations into previously tipped areas of the site and we do not expect any issues which could impact local residents.

Since December 2021 five members of staff, have been diagnosed with Covid 19 which we understand were all caught from a close family member. The employees have since recovered and returned to full duties.

Improvements continue to be made to the site, its operations and system procedures to ensure the Company's obligations under its permits and planning permissions are met.

We would be grateful if you would contact the Company in the first instance should you wish to report an issue or complaint on 01257 273311. However, if you prefer to contact the Environment Agency, please do so on 0800 80 70 60.

Under normal circumstances the company would welcome residents to visit the site and would be happy to escort residents around the site so they can see the site, the progression and improvements which have been made. However, due to Health and Safety Executive business advice in relation to COVID-19, all non-essential visitors to site are being asked to refrain from attending site.

In relation to site operations and COVID-19, the company wishes to assure all residents that operations are being carried out as normal. Operatives are continuing to work on the landfill, while complying with HSE social distancing and hygiene guidance, to ensure that site is managed in line with company procedures and practices. The company has systems in place to ensure that critical operations can continue as planned.