KT Recycling Limited, Gaskell House, Grimsargh, Preston

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Community Update

Feedback

We appreciate your calls providing us with information. They continue to help us in our regulation of the site. We plan to provide ongoing feedback to people who have reported incidents to us through regular community updates, sent by email and to the Parish Council. This will allow us to concentrate on ensuring the operator is taking the necessary steps to reduce impacts on the community. If you wish to be included in this circulation email, then please email andrew.evason@environment-agency.gov.uk to request this.

Current Action

KT Recycling Limited operate under the conditions of an environmental permit (EAWML 54461) and in accordance with planning conditions agreed by Lancashire County Council. We require KT Recycling Limited, as the permit holder and operator of the waste operation, to apply appropriate measures to minimise impacts on the community. We recognise that the company still need to make further improvements.

We continue to receive reports of amenity nuisance impacts from the KT Recycling waste operation. We take all calls seriously and we continue to investigate these reports and review these with the operator. The reports received over the past two months are illustrated below:

Table 1: Number of incidents by type

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| August 2018 | September 2018 |
| Dust Incidents reported  | 11 | 4 |
| Noise Incidents reported  | 10 | 3 |
| Odour Incidents reported  | 38 | 23 |

An odour audit was carried out at the site on the 31 August 2018. Once finalised, the findings from this audit will be provided to KT Recycling and this will influence the next steps in producing an odour management plan which can adequately control odour emissions from the site.

A Fire Prevention Plan (FPP) was submitted in August 2018. This has been reviewed and it does not meet the standards we require. We have now requested a further FPP to be submitted. This has been requested through an enforcement notice.

We would like to re-assure residents that we will continue to monitor the site closely.

Our role

We are responsible for regulating the site using the conditions in the site’s environmental permit. These cover emissions to air, land or water. We do this by:

- Announced and unannounced inspections.

- Carrying our audits of the operator's procedures and methods for emissions monitoring.

- Investigating non-compliance with the environmental permit and taking enforcement action.

- Adding or changing conditions in the permit if required.

Reporting an Incident

If you are experiencing nuisance issues you believe are from the site, you can contact the company on 01772 791791. If you are not happy with the response, or you want to report an incident to us separately, please call our incident hotline on 0800 80 70 60.