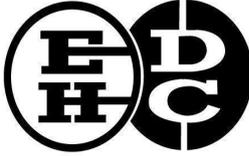


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25 April 2012

Dear Ms King

Re: Proposed Waste Transfer Station

At: Units 2/3 Highfield Industrial Park, Lasham Road, Lasham, Alton, GU34 5SG

I refer to the above application for a waste transfer station.

My main concern regarding the proposal relates to the potential for noise to occur outside reasonable working hours. Highfield Industrial Estate is located in an area with low background noise levels due to the rural character of the Lasham and as such noise outside reasonable working hours is likely to impact the amenities of the area. In particular I am concerned about noise that may occur before 07:00 hours and after 18:00 hours on Monday to Friday.

I note that all activities involving the sorting of waste will be carried out inside the premises. So long as the doors to the unit are kept close during operating hours, it should be possible to minimise any noise caused during this process.

This does not minimise the impact that may be caused by employees arriving before 7am or leaving at 10pm, or any other vehicle movements (deliveries/dispatches) that may occur early in the morning or during the evening. No information has been provided to demonstrate that it is possible to operate during the hours detailed without impacting the amenities of this rural area.

I have no objection to the proposal in principle, and recommend in the absence of further information on noise, that conditions are attached to any permission you are minded to grant addressing the following issues:

- 1) Operating hours including vehicle movements (deliveries and dispatches) are restricted to 07:00 hours to 19:00 hours Monday to Friday, 08:00 hours to 13:00 hours on Saturdays with no work or vehicles movements occurring on Sundays or Public/Bank Holidays, unless agreed in writing by the Planning Authority
- 2) No operations shall take place outside the building except the loading and unloading of HGVs, unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority
- 3) No air handling equipment, compressors or generators shall be used at the premises unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Planning Authority

4) All doors to the building to remain closed when waste handling operations are being carried out

If you have any queries, please do not hesitate to contact me. I will be away from the office on annual leave between 30 April to 21 May 2012.

Yours faithfully

Gemma Richards
Senior Environmental Health Officer