Hampshire County Council

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2011

'SCREENING OPINION' (REG: 5 &7)

Proposal **Storage of empty skips and containers, with screening bund**

at: **1 Hollybush Lane, Aldershot, Hampshire GU11 2PX**

County Council Ref: 12/00513/HCC **Received** 21 June 2012

Refer to footnote before assessing proposal

Is the development listed in Schedule 1? **No**

Is the development listed in Schedule 2? **Yes**

11 Other projects

(b) Installations for the disposal of waste (unless included in Schedule 1);

(ii) the area of the development exceeds 0.5 hectare; (the site is 0.13 hectares)

(iii) the installation is to be sited within 100 metres of any controlled waters- yes River Blackwater adjacent .

13 Changes and extensions

(b) Any change to or extension of development of a description listed in paragraphs 1 to 12 of column 1 of this table, where that development is already authorised, executed or in the process of being executed.

Is the development likely to have significant effects on the environment?

The development proposed is for the storage of empty skips and containers, with screening bund on land designated as countryside in the Rushnoor Local Plan and directly adjacent to the applicants existing recycling facility . The existing facility is authorised and within the industrial area allocated for bad neighbour uses in the Local Plan. The application site is not within the allocated industrial area and is therefore, in the view of the Waste Planning Authority, contrary to Policy DC13 of the Hampshire Core Strategy. The site is located on land adjacent to the River Blackwater and is therefore in the flood plain. .

However , on the basis of the information submitted with the application, it is considered that the scale, type and nature of the development is not one that is likely, subject to mitigation, to cause any significant environmental impacts.

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The proposed development **is not** an **EIA development** under the ***Town & Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) Regulations 2011 as the site is not located in a 'sensitive' area as defined by the Regulations , and is less than 0.5 hectares in size . It is within 100 metres of controlled waters as the site lies adjacent to the River Blackwater and is therefore in the flood plain but is of a scale, type and nature that is unlikely, subject to mitigation , to cause any significant environmental impacts.***

Signed..... Date 9 August, 2012

for Director of Economy, Transport & Environment on behalf of Hampshire County Council

Note: An EIA development must ***either****:* *be within Schedule 1* ***or****;* *be within Schedule 2 within a 'sensitive area'* ***and/or*** *above thresholds/criteria* ***and/or*** *'likely to have significant environmental effects'.*