Hampshire County Council

TOWN & COUNTRY PLANNING (ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT ASSESSMENT) REGULATIONS 2011

'SCREENING OPINION' (REG: 5 &7)

Proposal **The change of use of existing waste storage site to include waste recycling**
at: **New Farm, Froyle Lane, South Warnborough, Hook RG29 1SH**

County Council Ref: 12/01087/CMA **Received** 17 May 2012

Refer to footnote before assessing proposal

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

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

(b) Installations for the disposal of waste (unless included in Schedule 1);
(i) The disposal is by incineration; or
(ii) the area of the development exceeds 0.5 hectare; or
(iii) the installation is to be sited within 100 metres of any controlled waters.

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

The site originally had planning consent for a waste recycling centre under permission no. 03/01493/CMA granted on 14 January 2004. On 07 September 2007 the use of the site was changed to the storage of woodchip and mixed pelleted paper and plastic under permission no. 07/01563/CMA, providing a temporary permission until the 30th September 2012. The proposal is to accommodate incoming timber waste that has soil and spoil attached to it due to muddy and wet conditions at the source of the waste. A three way deck screener to separate the spoil from the timber, prior to chipping and storage will be needed on site. The site is very well screened by mature trees and an undulating landscape. There are no sensitive receptors or houses nearby.

As the site is above the threshold, being 2.1ha, according to the Circular; EIA is more likely to be required where new capacity is created to hold more than 50,000 tonnes per year, or to hold waste on a site of 10 hectares or more. This proposal is for only 5000 tonnes per annum of waste woodchip and mixed paper and plastic pellets and so falls below this criteria. It also states that sites taking smaller quantities of these wastes, sites seeking only to accept inert wastes (demolition rubble etc.) or Civic Amenity sites, are unlikely to require EIA.

The proposed development **is not** an **EIA development** under the ***Town & Country Planning (Environmental Impact Assessment) (England & Wales) Regulations 1999*** as the waste is not hazardous and is not within a *sensitive area* or expected to effect any watercourses, or have any significant environmental impacts.

Signed..... Date 6 June, 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'.*