

Urbaser Javelin Park Community Liaison Group.

Minutes of Meeting held on Wednesday September 23rd 2020

Held by Zoom

Stephen Davies (Chair)	SDC
Gill Oxley	SDC
Stacey Wright	Urbaser
Diane Green	Urbaser
Dan Pearson	Urbaser
Gary Relf	Urbaser
Caroline Macdonald	Urbaser /Oggadoon
Sue Hartley	Standish Parish Council
Steve Wilcox	Quedgeley Town Council
Anna Turner	Environment Agency
Chris Harmer	Consultant
Rachel Ferris	Gloucestershire County Council
Sarah Pearse	Gloucestershire County Council
Dave Jackson	Stroud District Council
John Dickinson	Moreton Valence Parish Council
Pat Gilmore	Whitminster Parish Council
Kevin Lee	Hardwicke PC (Clerk)

1/20 Apologies

Apologies were received from Maddy King and Yvonne Walsh

2/20 Changes at Urbaser / EFW

Stacey Wright introduced two new managers; Gary Relf who took up the role of QHSE Health and Safety Manager in mid-June, Gary had joined Urbaser from the waste industry. Dan Pearson had been appointed as the new General Manager; Gary's background had been within Energy from Waste Industry.

Stephen Davies welcomed Dan and Gary and thanked Stacey Wright for all his support to the CLG and his openness and commitment to the group, Members wished Stacey Well for his new role

3/20 Operational Update

Dan Pearson informed the CLG that the plant would be going offline from September 25th through to October 8th. This was to allow for the annual check of the facility and to undertake planned maintenance. During this closedown District council waste would still continue to be delivered to the facility.

Dan reported that since the Plant began operating 202,000 tonnes of waste had been processed, no waste had been diverted to landfill; 101,000 mw of energy had been produced and the Plant had operated for 7,300 hours.

Sue Hartley asked for how long the temporary buildings would be on site. DP confirmed that there were 18 temporary buildings on site and that these would be removed as possible after the 8th of October.

Sue asked if a regular report on operational issues could be provided to CLG Members. The chair supported the suggestion. Dan Pearson agreed to take this forward to discuss what could be provided to Members.

Action DP and DG to consider the process for a regular operational report to CLG members Chair to be advised of proposals

4/20 Update from Environment agency

Anna Turner advised the CLG that since they last met quarterly air quality monitoring, annual monitoring report and improvement condition reports, as required by the permit were submitted to the EA and have been reviewed. These covered topics such as noise, particulate matter and gas emissions. There had been complaints in the winter about smoke and odour and during September a complaint had been received about vibration. Dave Jackson confirmed that no complaints had been received by Stroud District Council.

5/20 Education Facility

Diane Green reported that due to the pandemic it had been a very quiet time for the education centre. A meeting would be held in a week's time to consider the role of the visitor centre.

6/20 Community Feedback

1. Sue Hartley referred to the recent figures released by the County Council which stated that less waste was being recycled and asked where the figures had come from.
Stephen Davies agreed to make enquiries at the County Council. Caroline Macdonald informed the Group that there had been a national increase in food waste. The figures on waste had not been provided by Urbaser, GCC had undertaken its own survey/analysis.
2. Caroline advised the Group that the EFW would shortly be commencing an annual customer survey which would be available on line. Members would be advised of the link to the survey
3. Steve Wilcox commented on the types of questions and comments that were raised in the community, and asked if a regular update could be provided in

order to respond to the comments. Stacey Wright asked Members to forward any questions/comments to Dan Pearson and to Diane.

Action; Stephen Davies to follow up with GCC how figures on waste/recycling had been collected. All Members to write to DP and DG with questions queries

Please see following link

<https://www.gloucestershire.gov.uk/media/2095018/200130-four-season-waste-composition-analysis-study.pdf>

7/20 Monitoring Equipment

Stephen Davies reported that the monitor at Haresfield had failed and had been returned to Turnkey for repair. The Cost of repair would be covered by Urbaser. The monitor at Hardwicke had also ceased working; arrangements would be made by Dave Jackson to return the equipment to Turnkey. Dave informed Members that the data that had been collected indicated that over time there had been very little change in that data. Referring to the monitoring tubes around the district, Dave noted that the pollution figures collected in July were at levels of what they were in February 60%.

Chris Harmer expressed concern at the quality of the Turnkey equipment given the number of times it had failed. Chris advised the Group of the new website for data monitoring; www.glosclg.org

Action Dave Jackson to arrange for Hardwicke Monitor to be returned for repair

8/20 Frequency of Future Meetings

Sue Hartley suggested that future meetings should be held every three months. It was agreed to hold the next Meeting on December 15th.

Action Next meeting December 15th at 7.30

9/20 A.O.B

Caroline MacDonald advised the group that; the terms of reference for the group had been updated and had been circulated; a press release was being prepared to report on the EEG Grant, and a film would soon be uploaded showing the operation of the Plant, the film had input from local students

Meeting Closed at 20.20

