



cycling Centre (WRC)

ENVIRONMENTAL SOLUTIONS
Community Advisory Committee (CAC)

18 March, 2008
Meeting notes

Attendees:

- 4 Community representatives
- 1 ANL representative
- 1 Cemetery representative
- 3 WSN Environmental Solutions (WSN) representatives

Meeting facilitated and notes prepared by: WSN

Ref	Item	Action	Date Due
1	Welcome and agenda		
1.1	SC: Welcomed everyone, introducing new community representative, Ernest McFarlane, new Environmental and Workforce Safety Manager, Robert Muir and new Centre Manager, Michael Mathers.		
2	Acceptance of minutes from the last meeting		
2.1	CM: Wished to see copies of the corrected November minutes before the minutes could be confirmed. The minutes were accepted subject to the changes made by CM	SC to send November minutes to Cec Morgan and then to all members	
3	Environmental and operations update		
3.1	RM: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Referring to his report, said that the odour complaints (9) had increased in the last quarter probably due to rain. There were two noise complaints. • There was no quarterly noise monitoring since a consultant was engaged to assess noise emissions. The report is with DECC and will be made available to the committee when they have returned it with comments. MM: Centre has been closed since a fire on 11 February. During the intervening time the centre has been fixed up (new roof, new floor, new landscaping). The metal area will be relocated and this should reduce noise from metal handling.	Copy of noise monitoring report to be sent out with next agenda	29 July 2008
3.2	CM: Concerned about how the monitoring was done because the waste did not include pallets or logs TC: We don't shred pallets any longer but occasionally shred logs up to 12 inches in diameter but this does not change the noise reading.		

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3.3	<p>EM: Says that he lives in Tuckwell Place and was curious to understand the sources of odours.</p> <p>There was some discussion about the possibility of the national park as a source of odour from green waste being collected there as a result of tree lopping.</p> <p>EM also asked about the shredder and CM described the ANL operation.</p>		
4	ANL Update		
	<p>ANL Update</p> <p>TC: Manager has recently done an inspection with DECC (Department of Environment and Climate Change) and they are happy with the amount of green waste being removed. The yard is under control and there are no issues.</p> <p>DT: How often is the green waste removed?</p> <p>TC: Daily</p> <p>DT: What about the 'squirters'. Are they being used? Have not noticed any difference in smell in fact it has seemed to be more frequent.</p> <p>TC: This may be due to rain</p> <p>DT: Could it be the garbage?</p> <p>MM: It does not sit at the centre for long enough to cause a problem</p> <p>CM: Why are inspections by DECC being held once per month? Is this new policy?</p> <p>MM: The DECC inspects in response to complaints and will continue to do so until they consider it to be compliant. They have a fines system (pins) and one of our performance criteria is to get no pins.</p> <p>DT: Could the containers be put on top of one another?</p> <p>TC: Yes but this will not make any difference.</p>		
5	Community feedback on odours and noise		
	The meeting agreed that any comments on odours and noise had already been made		
6	Report from Macquarie Park Cemetery		
	<p>GC:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Said that their current work has nearly finished and he 		

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	invited the CAC to come and inspect the works. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A tour was arranged for 1 April at 10.30 am • Will rectify drainage problems where they affect the Centre • Said that building queried by EM was a pergola 		
7	Actions from previous minutes		
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Re 4.5 GC noted that a cemetery report was to be placed on every agenda and this will happen from now on • Re 5.1 MM had said that the area for metal loading would be moved to reduce the noise problem 		
8	Review of CAC activities <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • See attached report. This will become part of a general report to be made to the Board of WSN. 		
9	Next meeting		
	The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 29 July		