MERIDEN
LIAISON COMMITTEE MEETING MINUTES
05th June 2017

ATTENDEES

Cllr David Bell (Solihull MBC)
Cllr Rosie Weaver (Meriden Parish Council)
Cllr Mike Blomer (Hampton Parish Council)
Mrs Lynn Parker (Meriden residents)
Mr Davinder Cholan (Solihull highways)
Mr Ed Brown (Environment Agency)
Mr Malcolm Green (A&A)
Mr Kevin Jones (Tarmac)
Mr Paul Quance (Colemans)
Mr Nick Pearson (TBP)
Mr Jimmy Dinshaw (Breedon)
Mr Andy Barber (Cemex)
Mr Shaun Denny (Cemex)
Mr Nick Barlow (Packington)
Mr Wayne Wardell (NRS)
Mr Nick Atkins (Tarmac)
Mr Stuart Crofts (Larch Group)
Mr Clive Bailey (Beechwood)
Mr Andy Smith (Silvertree)
Mr Ian Cresswell (Silvertree)

APOLOGIES

Mrs Barbara Bland (Meriden Parish Council)
Mrs Mollie Bartlett (Hampton residents)
Ms Hannah Moxon (Harworth Estates)
Mr Nick Parry (Berkswell)
Mr David Wigfield (Solihull planning)

1. Introductions

1.1 Cllr Bell welcomed everyone to the meeting

2. Matters Arising from Previous Meeting

2.1 The minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2017 were approved.

3. Site reports

3.1 **Tarmac**

Extractive operations are fully complete in phase 2 and have now moved to phase 3. Two new screens have been fitted to the processing plant, resulting in fewer breakdowns. Production is currently around 20,000 tonnes per month.

There have been no accidents or incidents or trespass issues since the last meeting.

3.2 **NRS**

Operations are focused on area G and the bund within area E around the A&A recycling facility, which is anticipated to be completed by the end of the week.

3.3 **Colemans**
Paul Quance confirmed that the site had been relatively quiet over the last quarter. Improvements have been made to the wheelwash and bowser. No safety issues to report.

3.4 **A&A Recycling**
Malcolm Green advised that imports had increased in line with seasonal expectations. He confirmed that once the bund had been completed by NRS fencing and dust suppression equipment would be installed.

3.5 **Breedon**
The site has been very busy, having already exceeded total year forecasts, however production is beginning to slow down.

3.6 **TBP**
Nick Pearson confirmed that the mortar plant was also very busy.

Nick Atkins advised that the planning permission for the TBP was time limited and expired in mid 2018. A planning application would be forthcoming to extend the life of the DSM plant in due course.

3.7 **Beechwood / Silvertree**
Clive Bailey confirmed that the construction works were progressing well, with client fit-out works scheduled to start in 2-3 weeks time.

Stuart Crofts advised that the boiler installation was approx 6 weeks behind schedule. The intention is to invite local residents to the site to show them around the process and explain how it works. Rosie Weaver asked where things were at with the environmental permit? Ed Brown confirmed that the application had been received, but was still being assessed to determine whether it had been duly made, before being assigned to an officer to progress.

Andy Smith explained that Silvertree would be operating the facility. They will be taking on 12 members of staff for which a recruitment programme would be starting shortly.

3.8 **Cemex**
Andy Barber advised that Cemex were busy. The replacement of the processing plant had been delayed and was now expected in the last quarter of this year.

Landfilling operations were due to re-commence in next 6 weeks.

4. Planning

4.1 Lynn Parker advised that Meriden Parish Council had again not been consulted by Solihull Council on planning submissions, but Berkswell had.

ACTION – David Wigfield

5. Highways

5.1 Andy Barber reported that the surface of Cornets End Lane by the Cemex quarry entrance was breaking up. Davinder Cholan to report back to highways.

ACTION – Davinder Cholan

6. Environment Agency

6.1 Ed Brown advised that fly tipping continued to be an issue in the area, which was forming part of a wider investigation by the Agency. Nick Barlow commented that he had been very disappointed with the response from the EA.

6.2 Lynn Parker asked about some fly tipping close to the care home on private land, which was thought to be causing an increase in vermin. Ed Brown confirmed that unless the culprit could be traced, then the responsibility for clearing the waste rests with the landowner. He suggested that the council pest control team may be able to help in the meantime with the pest issues.

7. Landowners

7.1 **Packington**
Nick Barlow confirmed operations in area E and G were going well.

7.2 **Harworth**
Hannah Moxon had sent here apologies. In her absence, Nick Atkins reported that the road sweeping regime appears to be working well. The internal road within Meriden is set to be repaired on the 18th and 25th of June.

7.3 **Berkswell**
No issues

8. Meriden Parish Council

8.1 Rosie Weaver reported that there had been a noticeable increase again in HGV traffic on Meriden Mile and Birmingham Road, with parking on Birmingham Road also becoming an issue. Lynn Parker reiterated that parking on Birmingham Road was a problem.

8.2 Rosie Weaver advised that the Parish Council were in the process of preparing a Neighbourhood Plan and asked for each business to take part in the business survey. A survey form would be circulated to each operator at the end of the meeting.

9. Hampton Parish Council

9.1 Cllr Blomer reported an increase in Armac tippers running through the village, but recognised this was not to do with the quarry.

10. Resident Representatives

10.1 No further issues

11. Any other Business

11.1 Kevin Jones reported that he was reviewing the emergency procedures for the quarry, which highlighted that there should be a more joined up plan for dealing with site wide issues. He would be contacting other operators to convene a meeting to

discuss preparing a site wide plan.

ACTION – Kevin Jones

12. Date of next Meeting

12.1 Dates of next meeting 11th Sept, at 2pm at The Pavillion, Meriden

ACTION – all to note dates