

Thursday 18th July 2024

Dear Councillor Coutts and the Parish Council of Wilburton,

I am writing to inform you that, in line with our existing planning consent, the Grunty Fen Landfill Site is scheduled to reopen in Autumn 2024. FCC Environment will be operating the site under its approved planning permission until 2026 (reference E/03002/09/CW, please see attached Decision Notice). As you may be aware, our landfill site has been undergoing a comprehensive restoration scheme over the past few years with the aim of returning the area to a semi-natural and sustainable landform.

This reopening is necessary to fill the remaining void and complete the approved restoration scheme. Our operations will strictly adhere to all relevant regulations and environmental standards to ensure minimal impact on the surrounding area.

We understand the importance of transparent communication with the local community and stakeholders regarding such matters. Therefore, we are committed to addressing any concerns or enquiries that may arise throughout this process.

Should you or any members of the council have any questions or require further information, please do not hesitate to contact us or the Cambridgeshire County Planning, Minerals and Waste Team using the details below or through planningdc@cambridgeshire.gov.uk

We value your support and cooperation as we work towards the successful completion of the restoration work required at Grunty Fen Landfill Site.

Thank you for your attention to this matter.

Yours Sincerely,

Hannah Beckett – Assistant Planning & Permitting Manager (South)

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Town and Country Planning Act 1990
Notification of the Grant of Planning Permission

To:- Mr Stuart Markham
WRG
900 WRG
Pavilion Drive
Northampton
NN4 7RG

Cambridgeshire County Council, in pursuance of powers under the above Act; hereby **GRANT** planning permission subject to the 3 condition(s) set out below:

For Variation of Condition 3 of approved application E/01071/88/CW to state "The infilled area shall be reinstated to a condition suitable for the resumption of agriculture use by 31 December 2026 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority".

At Grunty Fen Recycling Centre, Grunty Fen Road, Witchford, Ely, Cambridgeshire CB6 2JE

in accordance with your application dated 20/02/2009, and the plans, drawings and documents, which form part of the application.

Dated: 15/07/2009

Signed:

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "Mark Viger".

Head of Strategic Planning
Environment Services

Note: This planning permission does not constitute approval under Building Regulations and is not a Listed Building Consent or Conservation Area Consent.

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- 1 The area to be the subject of infilling by controlled waste only relates to the area contained within the embankments shown on the submitted phasing plan. The infilled area shall be reinstated to a condition suitable for agricultural use by 31 December 2026 unless otherwise agreed in writing by the Waste Planning Authority.

REASONS

To ensure that the development is completed to a satisfactory standard within an acceptable timescale in the interests of amenity in accordance with Policy WLP 9 of the adopted Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan 2003.

- 2 Within six months of the date of this permission a traffic management plan for the site shall be submitted to and approved in writing by the Waste Planning Authority. The traffic plan shall be implemented on the date of approval by the Waste Planning Authority and maintained to the satisfaction of the Waste Planning Authority thereafter.

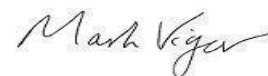
REASONS

In the interests of highway safety and to protect the amenities of the nearby residential properties and in accordance with policies WLP4 and WLP9 of the Waste Local Plan.

- 3 Not less than 80% of waste imported for disposal in the landfill cells shall originate from a catchment area which shall comprise the whole of Cambridgeshire and Peterborough City and all additional areas within a radius of 50km of the site boundary. For the purposes of this condition waste being processed through any waste transfer station within the defined catchment area shall be regarded as arising from within the catchment area. In January and July each year the operator shall submit a report to the Waste Planning Authority providing summary waste input information for the previous six months demonstrating compliance with this condition

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REASONS

To comply with Policy WM3 of the East of England Plan and WLP3 of the adopted Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan 2003, ensuring capacity is made available for local waste disposal needs whilst making appropriate provision for some waste imports.

1 **Informatives**

You are reminded that all of the conditions applied to the original planning permission for the site, reference E/03002/09/CW remain valid and need to be complied with.

The following documents and guidance notes were relevant to the determination of the application:

National Planning Guidance

EU Landfill Directive

Planning Policy Statement 10: Planning for Sustainable Waste Management (2005)

East of England Plan (2008)

Policy WM1: Waste Management Objectives
Policy WM2 Waste Management Targets
Policy WM3 Waste Imports
Policy WM4 Regional Waste Apportionment
Policy ENV4 – Agriculture, land and soils

Cambridgeshire and Peterborough Waste Local Plan 2003 (saved policies).

WLP 1 Sustainable Waste Management

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WLP 2 Resource Recovery
WLP 3 The need for Waste Development and the Movement of Waste
WLP 4 Traffic/Highway Matters
WLP 5 Transport of Waste- Proximity Principle
WLP 7 Protection of Landscape Character
WLP 9 Protecting Surrounding Uses
WLP 11 Protected Species
WLP 13 Rights of Way
WLP 15 Water Resources and Pollution Prevention
WLP 19 Safeguarding Waste Development Sites
WLP 20 Household Waste Recycling Centres
WLP21 Inert Waste Recycling

Cambridgeshire Aggregates (Minerals) Local Plan 1991

CALP 17 Restoration and Afteruse
CALP 19 Restoration and Afteruse

East Cambridgeshire Local Plan 2000 (saved policies)

Policy 34- Environment
Policy 36- Air Quality
POLICY 45- Noise
POLICY 82- Landscape Character

Reasons for Approval

The application has been granted approval for the following reasons:-

Extending the life of the site to 2026 would help provide a suitable site for the amount of waste that will have to be actively managed within the county in the future. The expected population growth in the sub-region and coupled with the requirements to accommodate some imported waste, a continuing need for landfill of residual waste remains. However increases in waste minimisation, reuse, recycling and recovery are reducing the annual requirements over time. Full utilisation of the capacity of the Grunty Fen site over the next 17 years would help to address identified landfill needs.

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Notes

1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the Local Planning Authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or to grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment in accordance with Section 78 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 within six months of this notice. Appeals must be made on a form which is available from The Planning Inspectorate, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN. The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for a notice of appeal but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances, which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the Local Planning Authority, or could not have been granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by them, having regard to the statutory requirements, to the provisions of the development order, and to any directions given under the development order.
2. If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the Local Planning Authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by the carrying out of any development which has been or would be permitted, he may serve on the County/District Council in which the land is situated a purchase notice requiring that Council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.
3. In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the Local Planning Authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in Section 114 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

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