

Site monitoring report

Please find detailed below the report for the site monitoring undertaken on 7th December 2023

Site Name: Widdington Pit, Hollow Road, Widdington

File Ref: 11 421 18

Operator: Widdington Recycling Ltd

Visit no: 2

Monitoring Officer: Tom McCarthy **Tel No:** 03330 320943

Permission:

ESS/49/22/UTT - Excavation of minerals; use of land for skip hire, waste recycling, waste transfer and green waste composting; restoration of land with the deposit of inert waste; and other associated development (consolidated decision of planning application refs: ESS/09/16/UTT, ESS/83/19/UTT, ESS/67/21/UTT, ESS/68/21/UTT and ESS/80/21/UTT)

Constraints:

Weather:	Dry / Windy / Rain / Snow
Noise:	Acceptable / Not acceptable / N/A
Approach roads:	Dry / Dusty / Wet / Muddy / Flooded
Ground:	Dry / Dusty / Wet / Damp / Muddy / Flooded
Access:	Obstructed / Not obstructed
Wheel cleaning:	Washer / Spinner / Sweeper / None
Hose:	In use / Not in Use
Machinery:	Working in yard
Stockpiles:	Height = Various heights in void and on top of 'the finger' and various heights of waste in yard
Bunds:	Profiled / Grassed / Weeds / Planted / Soil

Inspection results summary:

Hollow Road is in a poor state of repair, with the road verges chewed in places and the eastern side of railway bridge flooded. The site access junction and haul road were however relatively clean.

On-site, the yard was busy. Whilst the yard was relatively tidy/ordered, it was noted that there were stockpiles of material outside the formal bays. Whilst not a specific breach of planning control, the operator is reminded of the restrictions outlined within conditions 21, 27, 29 and 30.

With regard to the void, works to cell 2 are now complete and the operator suggested that a scheme of aftercare will shortly be submitted for review and approval in writing by the MWPA.

Infilling was continuing within cell 3. Clay to line the walls of this cell is currently stockpiled on 'the finger', with material solely being deposited centrally within the cell. When the weather improves, clay will be moved into the void and engineered to allow the full infill.

Whilst on-site operations did not seem excessively noisy; no undue odours were detected; and no off-site dust drift witnessed.

Compliance with conditions and actions to be taken before next visit:

ESS/49/22/UTT requires submission of a number of schemes/additional details including: a noise impact assessment (condition 8); scheme for noise monitoring (condition 9); working/phasing plan (condition 11); restoration plan (condition 12); landscape scheme (condition 18); yard layout plan (condition 26); and driver instruction sheet (condition 39). Details pursuant to all of the aforementioned have been submitted and are currently being considered by the MWPA. In respect of this, revised information is nevertheless understood to be forthcoming pursuant to conditions 8 and 9.

Note: The actions noted in this report are required in order to ensure adequate progress is made and to avoid potential enforcement action against a breach of planning control.