



Thursday November 9th 2017

Name of meeting: Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility, Veolia Community Liaison Group		
Date: Thursday November 9 th 2017	Time: 5.30pm	Address: RERF, Newmarket Approach, Leeds, LS9 0RJ
Attendees: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Lucy Wheeler (TCV) Chair● Josie Olivent● Paul Fowler● Philip Turpin	Observers:	Apologies: <ul style="list-style-type: none">● Sarah Dawson
Secretariat: Paul Fowler (Veolia)		
Agenda: <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Welcome and Apologies2. RERF developments update3. Residents – feedback from the community4. Community Engagement and Community Fund5. AOB		

1. Welcome from the Chair, round table introductions and Apologies

Minutes

The minutes from the previous meeting were approved and accepted as a correct record.

2. RERF developments Update Paul Fowler, Veolia

PF gave an update of the upgrades undertaken within the MPT facility, specifically surrounding the ballistic upgrades and the investments made by Veolia to ensure reliability of the plant. There have been no further issues with these components and the plant is starting to run more reliably.

PF also ran through the progress with the paper pulp facility and that the steam connections were now complete. The operations are ramping up with the majority of output being used for animal bedding with local farms. The goal is to finalise the commissioning of the steam connection to create a dry product that can be used in applications such as bed pans etc. The commissioning programme is due for conclusion during the first half of 2018.

3. Residents - Feedback from the community

A discussion was held surrounding the green wall and landscaping onsite and whether there were local links within Leeds. LW and PT noted that LCC operated the largest nursery in Leeds called the Arium which may be useful to link in with in future.

4. Community Engagement and Community Fund

PF reminded the group that the fund was up and running and that Burmantofts and Richmond Hill had been very proactive in applying for funding. The Temple Newsam ward (Halton Moor only) didn't have as many applications so PF asked the group if they could spread the word about the fund - LW to include a publication in Inner East. Veolia will continue to include details of the fund in the residents newsletter.

5. AOB

It was agreed that at the next meeting there would be a tour of the RERF.

The Chair thanked everyone for attending. Meeting closed at 6.30pm. The next meeting will be held on Thursday 17th May at 5.30pm in the Visitor Centre.