

Jameson Road Landfill Site Community Update

Month	Number of reports	Types of report
December	21	Odour
January	270	Odour
February	1125	Odour
March (to date)	994	Odour

During February we received a significant increase in complaints via telephone and our new online reporting tool. The number of reports for March continues to rise daily.

We have received numerous email complaints concerning odour issues, directed to both The Cumbria and Lancashire area team and our Chief Executive. We understand your ongoing concerns regarding the odour issues, and we appreciate you taking the time to write to us. We will try to respond to all queries, however, this may take longer than normal because we want to focus all our effort on site and try to improve the situation for the community. The complaints themselves do not drive what we do. Our regulatory teams are actively working towards resolving the situation and prevent offsite odour. We will continue to provide updates as we progress.

Please be aware that the investigation into the early 2024 incidents is still underway, and we must refrain from disclosing any details that could prejudice the outcome. This includes Compliance Assessment Reports (CAR) from around the period. We will provide more information as soon as we are able.

Current Situation

EA officers have been conducting daily odour checks in Fleetwood and surrounding areas and given that they noted the presence of odour offsite.

We have met with Transwaste and provided clear advice to them to 'voluntarily stop' accepting the landfill waste. They would need to continue to take in inert clays, stone and soils for cover and capping purposes. This action was taken alongside a thorough audit of their Landfill Gas and Odour Management plans.

Transwaste need to bring odorous emissions under control. They need to review their management and control practices. They need to ensure that all resources are focused on addressing the site's impact on people and the environment.

Transwaste have agreed to undertake further work to improve the capping on the landfill and carry out further works and improvements to their gas infrastructure. We will consider any additional actions needed and escalate if we have any concerns about their ability to meet the conditions of their permit.

Air Quality Monitoring

We installed a Mobile Monitoring Facility (MMF) in a secure location close to the landfill. The MMF continuously monitors different substances - Methane, Hydrogen Sulphide and particulates (dust). This is not a process that provides instant real time data and takes place over a period of time. We will be publishing the report including the monitoring data on our information page as soon as we are able to.

Forward look

We will continue with our increased regulatory response at Jameson Road, which includes monitoring the operator's activities.

We will ensure that Transwaste meets the requirements of its environmental permit and manages the risk from odour.

We will continue to carry out frequent odour checks at the site and are closely scrutinising their operations.

We are working with the UK Health Security Agency (UKHSA), who provide health advice (available on our webpages). If you have health concerns, please contact your GP or NHS 111.

We keep our information page regularly updated. You can access that by following the below link:

[Environment Agency's Citizen Space page](#)