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Jameson Road Landfill Site

Public Consultation on an Application to Vary (Change) the Site's Environmental Permit

About the Application

Transwaste Recycling & Aggregates has applied to us for permission to operate a dedicated tipping bay for waste brought onto Jameson Road Landfill Site. The waste would be transferred to dump trucks that would take the waste to final disposal in the landfill. This would mean a variation (change) to their environmental permit for the site.

In their application, the company proposes that the bay would have sealed drainage and containment. It also proposes that the tipping bay would be surrounded by nets to prevent and/or minimise the potential for litter escaping from the proposed tipping area. The application includes screening being positioned along the northern aspect of the area to act as a wind shield and as a visual screen for the tipping operation.

We assess applications for environmental permits, or to vary environmental permits, under the Environmental Permitting Regulations (EPR).

Under these regulations, our role is to assess the application and decide if it meets all requirements in relevant environmental legislation and provides a high level of protection to the environment and human health.

We will only vary the environmental permit for the site to allow the tipping bay if we are satisfied this would be the case.

Consultation on the Variation Application

The public consultation on this application opens on Monday 3 February 2025.

Under the EPR, we can only take certain issues into account when deciding on permit variation applications. We welcome comments from the community on these issues. They include:

- The impact of any emissions from proposals in the application on human health and the environment. This includes odour, noise, dust and litter.
- Corrections to any incorrect information in the application.

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Issues we can't take account of include:

- Anything not directly related to the proposed change.
- Strength of public opposition to the application. We have to make an objective assessment of the application and can only assess it against specific criteria set out in the EPR.
- Noise and traffic from outside the landfill site's boundary.

You can view the application and let us have your comments on it at our consultation tool at <u>https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/psc/fy7-8tw-transwaste-recycling-and-aggregates-ltd</u>.

You will not be able to use this link until the consultation opens on 3 February.

Alternatively, you can email your comments to us at:

pscpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk.

Please quote reference EPR/BL9518IE/V007 in your email.

All comments or questions on the application must be in writing, usually through our consultation tool or by email. The consultation tool webpage link is different to the one we use to share our community updates and other information about Jameson Road Landfill Site.

Please call the Environment Agency's National Customer Contact Centre on 03708 506 506 for advice about how to comment, or how to view a copy of the application documents, if you do not have online access.

Our consultation on this application must be fair and transparent. This requires everyone to have the same information on which to comment. We can't have detailed discussions or correspondence with individuals on an application during the consultation process. This would mean they had information not available to others.

The public consultation closes on Monday 17 March 2025.



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After the Consultation Closes

Once the consultation closes, we will review all the consultation comments we have received.

If we were then satisfied that we should grant the variation, we would issue a draft permit variation and draft decision document.

Any draft decision document would explain why we thought we should grant the variation. It would also set out our response to all the consultation comments we received. We wouldn't respond to each individual comment, but group similar comments together and respond to them once.

We would then hold a second consultation on the draft decision document and draft variation. This would give people an opportunity to let us have any further, new information they thought we had not already considered.

Once we had reviewed any comments on any second consultation, we would decide if we must grant the variation under the EPR.

If, after the initial consultation, we were satisfied that we should not grant the permit variation, we would not hold a second consultation.

Our final decision will be published on our consultation tool (Citizen Space) and in a community update.

Contact

If you have any questions about this information or the consultation process, please email us at: Engagement.cmblnc@environment-agency.gov.uk



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