

About this consultation

PL7 4JW, WESTCOUNTRY WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED: environmental permit consultation

The aim of this consultation is to ask whether you have any comments relevant to the permit application

We want to make the best decision when permitting. Listening to the views of others helps us to take account of concerns, or local environmental factors, that we may not be otherwise aware of.

We are seeking comments on the application for WESTCOUNTRY WASTE MANAGEMENT LIMITED. Please use the reference number below when making comments on this application.

- Permit Number: EPR/DP3325SD/A001
- Regulated facility type: AR1 1.16.12: Collected wet wastes are brought to site within West Country Waste controlled vehicles only, no third-party transporters or wastes are accepted on site.

Vehicles enter the site from Galileo Close, to the east of the site, and travel along the

designated routes to the permitted site. Once on site the vehicles discharge the wet waste directly into the

reception tank in which rag is separated out and transferred to a sealed skip. Within the tank reception

tank, the waste is allowed to settle; solids drop to the bottom of the tank and liquids rise to the surface.

When appropriate a settlement agent will be added to the tank to improve the separation of the liquid and

solid fractions. The collected liquid fraction is then discharged to the local sewer system. Prior to discharge

the liquid fraction is tested to ensure it is compliant with discharge levels. The solid fraction, once free of

liquids remains in the tank until the tank is close to full. At this point the reception tank is removed from the

system and a replacement tank is positioned in its place. The tank containing the solid material is then

transferred on a hook lorry to a permitted waste treatment facility.

• Regulated facility location: Galileo Depot, Galileo Close, Plympton, PL7 4JW

Non-Technical Summary

Refer to the non-technical summary which explains this application, in non-technical language. This should include a summary of the regulated facility, the key technical standards and control measures arising from the risk assessment.

What the response will be used for

We will take your consultation responses into consideration as part of our determination of the permit. If we decide to grant the permit we will explain how we made our decision and how we have addressed the concerns that were raised.

customer service line 03708 506 506 incident hotline 0800 80 70 60 floodline 0345 988 1188 We will only issue a permit if we believe that harm to the environment, people and wildlife will be minimised and that the operator has the ability to meet the conditions of the permit. Providing a business can prove that the proposed activities meets all the legal requirements, including environmental, technological and health requirements, then we are legally obliged to issue a permit, even if some people do not approve of the decision.

How to Respond

If you would like to comment online, please use the online consultation tool in Citizen Space.

If you'd prefer to submit your response by email, contact <u>PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk</u>

How we will use your information

We will look to make comments received publicly available at our Environment Agency public register.

All comments which are made publicly available will exclude email addresses and telephone numbers. Any comments where confidentiality has been claimed will not appear on the public register.

In accordance with the Freedom of Information Act 2000, we may be required to publish your response to this consultation, but will not include any personal information. If you have requested your response to be kept confidential, we may still be required to provide a summary of it.

Consultation Principles

We are running this consultation in accordance with the criteria set out in the government's Consultation Principles.

If you have any queries or complaints about the way this consultation has been carried out, please email: <u>PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk</u>

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