

About this consultation

RM13 8BT, SHARPSMART 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 SHARPSMART LIMITED. Please use the reference number below when making comments on this application.

- Permit Number: EPR/RP3621LB/A001
- Regulated facility type: Sharpsmart UK have applied for a new Clinical Waste Transfer Station permit. The site is being developed as a support site to the applicant's Rainham Clinical Waste Treatment Centre.

The application is for:

- Section 5.3 Part A(1)(a)(iv) – Disposal or recovery of hazardous waste with a capacity exceeding 10 tonnes per day (tpd) involving repackaging. The proposed activity will have a maximum throughput of 50 tpd
- Waste Operation – storage and transfer of hazardous and non-hazardous waste, including repackaging of certain non-hazardous wastes to facilitate transfer.

Sharpsmart UK will also operate a bin wash plant and carry out the repackaging (bulking) of emptied sharps.

- Regulated facility location: Rainham II Waste Recovery Facility, 19B Barlow Way, Fairview Industrial Park, Rainham, RM13 8BT

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.

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

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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 PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk

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: PSCpublicresponse@environment-agency.gov.uk

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