



BKP Waste & Recycling Ltd

Casbrook Park

Bunny Lane

Timsbury

SO51 0PG

6th July 2022

Dear Sir or Madam

I am writing to you regarding BKP Waste & Recycling Ltd's recent submissions for a Permit Variation to the Environment Agency and Planning Applications to Test Valley Borough Council for our site on Bunny Lane in Timsbury. In addition I would like to update you on some recent improvements we have made on site.

Permit Variation

The Permit Variation has been submitted to the Environment Agency to accurately reflect the activities and volumes of waste processed and stored on site. This is a reduction in the volumes of waste currently permitted and the number of permitted activities. In addition, we have asked for some additional waste codes (EWC) to be added to the Permit to allow us to bring in a wider range of low hazardous wastes from the automotive industry.

We have applied for permission to carry out battery sorting to enable more batteries to be sent for recycling at appropriate third party facilities. We have sought authorisation to install a small plastic washing plant at Bunny Lane. This will wash empty, but unclean plastic containers and the resulting plastics will be granulated and sent for recycling at appropriate third party facilities. This is part of a drive to a Circular Economy to enable used plastic to be reused in manufacturing. All residues from washing are taken off site.

Planning Permission

We have submitted two Planning Application to Test Valley Borough Council. The Planning Applications are to improve the infrastructure on site, which in turn will improve environmental standards at BKP.

One application is to build a new bund which will contain our existing tanks. The new bund will be fully compliant with all current environmental, Health and Safety and building standards and legislation. It will be in a more discreet location on site, so will not be visible from the entrance to the site or any part of Bunny Lane.

The second application is to build a storage facility for packaged waste in a location on site which is permitted to store hazardous waste under the existing Permit and will continue to be permitted if the Permit Variation is consented by the Environment Agency. It will be located in the to right hand corner of the site and will not be visible from the road as the area is screened by mature trees and hedging which will remain in place after the storage buildings are built.



Site Improvements

We have recently taken down two very old agricultural style buildings which were badly damaged in the storms earlier this year. At present we have no plans to replace the buildings, however we are going to carry out some remedial civils / groundworks in the area this summer to replace an old retaining wall and an area of old concrete. We will also be upgrading the drainage in the area.

The concreting works is to provide additional containment any residues or rainwater, in the unlikely event of a fire, would be collected and tankered off site to an authorised third party facility.

We no longer use our consented discharge to foul sewer and have capped the connection to the sewer so there can be no unintentional discharges. All the surface water from the site is now collected from around the site and stored in tanks prior to be taken off site to Southern Water and Severn Trent water works for treatment. Prior to leaving site, all the loads are sampled by one of our site chemists to ensure they are suitable for the receiving site. We also send monthly samples of our surface water to a certified third party laboratory.

No contaminants will leave the site and there will be a significant volume of engineered capacity to retain large quantities of rainwater / surface run off. This is above and beyond the required levels to ensure the even in a catastrophic rainfall event no liquids will leave the site.

Management and personnel changes

In September 2018 BKP Waste & Recycling Ltd was acquired by a company based in Guernsey called GRG Waste UK Ltd. Since the acquisition GRG have focused on improving all areas of environmental compliance at BKP Waste & Recycling Ltd. A new management team has been brought in to oversee the improvement of all areas of the business, each with their own area of expertise and unique qualities.

Improvement in environmental compliance over the past two and a half years, when the new management team started to be put in place, is demonstrated by the improvement in our banding by the Environment Agency, our regulator. Banding is calculated based on the value of non-compliance scores for the previous year. In 2019 we were in Band D and by the end of 2021 we were in Band B. The Environment Agency states "Sites in compliance bands A and B have demonstrated the expected levels of permit compliance".

In recognition of the improvements made on site, GRG Waste UK Ltd have committed to significant investment over the next 12 months to improve the site infrastructure to ensure the site operates to the highest standards of environmental compliance with no impact on the surrounding area.

Consultation with Parish Councils

BKP would like to have the opportunity to provide further information about the ongoing improvements on site and plans for the future with members of the Parish Council, we would also welcome any questions you may have regarding the development proposed and Permit Variation.

If this would be of interest to you, please let me know and we can organise a suitable time for the meeting.



If you have any questions in the meantime, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind regards

Lindsey Dryden

General Manager