

## Sarval Rendering Plant - Citizen space (Update for January 2023)

We are sorry to hear residents are experiencing problems with odour from this site. Please be assured we are working with the operator and our partners to resolve these issues. We have created this page in response to an increase in reports and we aim to keep residents updated on our regulation of the site. This page will be updated monthly.

### Site background

Sarval (Hartshill) Limited operate the animal by-product rendering plant on Mancetter Road in Hartshill. This was formerly known as De Mulder & Sons Limited. The company take animal by-products from the meat processing industry and produce processed animal proteins for pet food products and high-grade fats such as tallow to be made into biofuel. The rendering process generates odorous exhaust gases that need to be abated to prevent nuisance.

The Environment Agency (EA) regulates this site under an Environment Permit, which was issued in 2006. This permit controls emissions from the site into the environment, it includes maintenance, management, and amenity conditions.

A copy of the Environmental Permit for the site can be viewed *here*, however please be aware that this information is not immediately available with a licence for use. Please contact us if you want to know if, and under what conditions, we would be able to license you.

### Latest update (to 31 January 2023)

No odour complaints were received by the Environment Agency in January 2023 that may have been attributable to the operation of the plant.

Our formal investigation of the incident in August is continuing. Following the audit of the Effluent Treatment Plant (EPT) on 22 November 2022 we have reviewed information subsequently provided by the Company and posed further questions that the Company are gathering information to complete.

We carried out an inspection of the facility on 27 January 2023. This inspection focussed on the operation of the facility as a whole and the follow up of actions from inspections over the last year rather than the specific operation of the ETP. There were no offensive odours identified outside of the site boundary at the time of the inspection.

### Forward look;

Company liaison meeting including Parish, Ward and County Councillors, and local MP. Due Friday 3 February 2023.

We understand that reporting incidents is time consuming and frustrating, however the information that you provide is invaluable for us to understand the impact that the plant is having on the community and to be able to investigate and take action. Please continue to report incidents to us using our hotline number 0800 807060.

### **Frequently asked questions (FAQs)**

**We have produced a FAQ document for the site, which you can read [here](#). This document will be added to and updated if we received further queries that are not already included. Please read through this page and refer to this FAQ document in the first instance if you have any questions.**

For any concerns regarding the operational life of the site, hours of operation and traffic movements to and from the site, please contact Warwickshire County Council at <https://www.warwickshire.gov.uk/reportaproblem>

### **Odour reports about the site**

We have received a total of 145 odour notifications between 1 January 2022 and 31 January 2023.

In January 2023 we received 0 reports regarding odours from the site.

### **Update on health**

We have met with health representatives from UKHSA and Warwickshire County Council in December and January to discuss their health investigation following the incident in August. We expect their report to be presented to elected officials at the meeting in February and be published shortly afterwards. The summary of the findings will be included in the February update to this web page.

### **Report an incident**

We want to hear from you if you have an environmental incident or concern to report, including any odour concerns.

To do this, call our free 24-hour incident hotline on 0800 80 70 60.