

In re. Minutes of the Inaugural Meeting

The following was received from Mr Peter Tweddle. Text in black is the content of their e-mail, text in red represents the chairman's comments in response.

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these are the main comments as I remember them.

1) the number of activities going on at the tip represents a danger in my opinion.

The purpose of the liaison committee was to explain the facts regarding the Seaton Meadows operations, not to discuss if individuals thought landfill sites per se were dangerous places.

2) I am still worried by fly ash as it has been known to contain contaminants and Lsa scale in the past. How can we be sure of the monitoring of it?

It was explained that the material used to treat waste would be a purchased product which contains a mixture of cement and fly ash which would be manufactured for industrial use. This material is subject to analytical quality control. This comment appears to relate to contaminated waste ash unsuitable for our purposes at Seaton Meadows.

3) I am not convinced of the future integrity of the asbestos mounds after all they will have to last for an eternity.

A site visit is being arranged to explain in more detail how the landfill site is engineered and operated. This will help Mr Tweddle understand the control measures that exist to control the disposal of asbestos.

4) How does the site comply with its greenfield designation?

Seaton Meadows is not claimed to be a green field site nor is it designated as one. There seems to be some confusion over this issue, which can be addressed by Hartlepool Council.

5) you said the site would your responsibility for sixty years but the asbestos will persist to be a danger to the public forever.

All landfill operators have an obligation to control their sites 60 years after they have closed. However there should be no danger to the public once the site is closed and capped.

These I think are my main comments. Others made comments but I cannot of course quote them.

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Collated by Roger Robinson, 15 September 2006