

## King's Cliffe Local Liaison Group

Meeting 11<sup>th</sup> January 2006

### Present

Phil Watson  
Gene Wilson  
James Wathen  
Fiona Cowan  
Werner Schulze  
Hilary Blunt  
Daphne Sharpe  
Councillor Princilla Padley  
Karen Chebatoris  
Palden Dorjé  
Charles Cox  
John Robinson  
Louise Brown  
Martin Bates

### Representing

NCC  
Augean Plc  
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Collyweston Parish Council  
Collyweston Parish Council  
King's Cliffe Parish Clerk  
King's Cliffe Parish Council  
NCC County Councillor  
Environment Agency  
East Northamptonshire  
Duddington Parish Council  
Atkins Northants Highways  
NCC Landscape Officer  
NCC

### 1. Apologies

Michael Day  
Pauline Bradberry

King's Cliffe Parish Council  
East Northants Council District  
Councillor

Peter Highson-Smith  
Paul Blackler

Easton-on-the-Hill Parish Council  
Augean Plc

### Introductions

### 2. Gene Wilson – Group Technical Director (Groupwide) Planning, Environment and Compliance

Paul Blackler moved on to a development role for Augean.

James Wathen – Site Manager.

Gene determines "how" things are done and "James" implements.

Gene has spent 18 years as a Consultant on planning.

### 3. Matters Arising

3.1 Paragraph 2.1. Denzil Baldwin has left Augean and been replaced by Donald McPhail.

3.2 Paragraph 2.15. Now that the use of tyres has been discontinued, what measures are used for protection of the clay and liner? The tyres were used for drainage not for protection. There is an aggregate and geotextile liner used and the specification is very high. Plastic liner is also used to protect against any seepage. The plastic is welded together and all the weld joints are tested. If there is any weakness it has to be redone.

3.3 Paragraph 2.21 Updated list of contacts – please provide details of Augean contacts (see attached list).

#### 4. Augean Update

4.1 Contacts: James Wathen, Site Manager.  
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A full list of Augean contacts is attached.

4.2 Gene Wilson handed out an update from Augean (copy attached).

4.3 The NCC Planning Committee has resolved to approve the new application subject to a Section 106 Agreement for highway works.

4.4 There has been a meeting on site today for advance tree planting – Louise Brown from NCC (Landscape Officer) was involved.

4.5 Augean acknowledge that the northern slope is too steep and the materials on top of the waste have been placed haphazardly. A proper methodology for sorting this out has to be agreed with the Environment Agency. This will take place during this year. These works are within the budget for this year.

4.6 Augean will write to Local Liaison Group members when the works on the northern slope are to take place..

4.7 Karen Chebatoris commented that the Environment Agency will involve the other Health Protection Agencies in the process of agreeing these works.

4.8 Works to reduce the levels on the nearby Thornough Landfill Site are being undertaken.

4.9 Complaints – one recorded in Augean records for mud on the road.

4.10 There were some concerns during November of odour. This came from waste transferred from Augean's Cannock site, and this was unacceptable. One of the reasons for Paul Blackler going over earlier to the Cannock site was to sort out and prevent these sort of incidents.

4.11 New offices have arrived on site and some of the old ones are being removed. This will tidy up the office area.

4.12 Augean will use some of the new building for updating the laboratory facilities at the site.

4.13 Phase 3 of landfill should be completed this year. The next area is prepared and the CQA (Quality Assurance) information is being submitted to Environment Agency for approval.

4.14 Q. Councillor Padley – Have there been any problems of build up of lorries?

A. Not since the incident in July. Letters have been sent to all users specifying the opening hours of the site.

4.15 If anyone arrives early the security guard will allow them on to the site to a holding area which can hold 10 vehicles. A note is taken of anyone who arrives early because this is not acceptable.

4.15 The site does close for Bank Holidays and all waste should be pre-booked.

4.16 Q. Councillor Padley – Does anyone turn up un-booked?

A. Yes occasionally but the lorry is made to wait until all the paperwork is checked before being allowed to tip. Sometimes they are turned away.

## 5. Environment Agency Update

5.1 Karen Chebatoris – If there are any odour concerns let KC know. Environment Agency are monitoring Augean's sister company "ProAction" from Cannock.

5.2 In respect of the north face and other remedial works the Environment Agency are waiting for information from Augean.

## 6. NCC Update

6.1 Martin Bates - Planning permission was granted by the Development Control Committee on the 6<sup>th</sup> December, subject to signing of 106 Agreement to include:-

Highway safety and maintenance works  
Revocation of mineral permission (day extraction)  
30 planning conditions are proposed to be attached including landscaping

6.2 The highway works to be required are:-

- (i) Warning chevron signs at the sharp bend on the road as it passes through the wood.
- (ii) Improvements to the right turning lane on the A47 Road junction with Stamford Road. This will include using high reflective bollards to make this junction much safer. It will improve safety for vehicles turning right off the A47 Road and prevent overtaking at this point.

In addition Augean will pay an annual maintenance sum of £5,000 for highway works.

It was asked if the junction with the A47 would have lighting installed. The answer was no, because the reflective bollards are to a high standard. Also this junction is out in the countryside and it is not normal to illuminate in such circumstances.

Councillor Mrs Padley asked if there would be any warning signs to alert drivers of lorries turning when approaching the site entrance from King's Cliffe. This was a matter which Augean were prepared to pay for and so it was agreed to ask for these signing works to be included in the legal agreement.

6.3 Q. Will there be any improvement of the left hand turn off Stamford Road on to the A47?.

A. No, this was raised with the Highway Authority who said that this would tempt more drivers to turn left whilst a lorry is waiting to turn right. The lorry would obscure visibility to the right and this would be a highway safety hazard.

6.4 Q. Will landscaping be with native species?

A. Yes, this is what had been discussed on site earlier today. Augean will be looking for a local supplier of the indigenous species, and asked if anyone knew any good suppliers. Woodland Trust have planted a millennium woodland nearby (7,000 trees), and therefore they could be contacted.

6.5 Q. Lorry numbers? Have we got a means of controlling this.

A. MB. It is not possible to control this on a day to day basis. However, we have planning condition for the monitoring and annual throughput of wastes and a condition restricting this total annual input to 249,999 tonnes.

6.6 KC. Now that planning permission has been approved the Agency will rationalise the permit boundary to the area which has already been filled outside of the current permit boundary.

6.7 KC. Asked how many permissions there will be on site in the future?

MB Confirmed that there will be one waste permission, but also some mineral permissions. Plans will be attached to the 106 Agreement to make this clear.

## 7. Any Other Business

7.1 It was pointed out that the pronunciation is "Thornhaw" not "Thornhough".

8. **Date of Next Meeting**

7<sup>th</sup> June 2006 at 2.00 pm.

Venue t.b.c.

(include site visit after the meeting).

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