

**Consultation Response from Mike Hibbert,  
 KC Waste Strategy( Refuse & Recycling)**

**2023/91305 railway line and associated land between, Huddersfield and Westtown (Dewsbury),  
 within the Order Limits of The Network Rail (Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury),  
 Improvements Order 2022**

**Discharge conditions 5 (Code of Construction Practice), 6 (Construction Traffic Management  
 Plan), 10 (Contaminated Land) of deemed planning permission granted by the Department for  
 Transport in relation to The Network Rail (Huddersfield to Westtown (Dewsbury) Improvements  
 Order 2022, Stage 3 of the Development**

**Date Responded:30/5/2023.**

**Responding Officer: Mike Hibbert**

**Responding Ref: WPN 23-021**

## **NOTES/COMMENTS:**

The following comments are made without prejudice and purely from the point of view of the Waste Collection Authority. They are intended to help create an environment that functions safely and efficiently for waste management.

The application relates to upgrade works on the railway line and associated land between Huddersfield and Westtown (Dewsbury). Network Rail have submitted a number of documents to progress discharge of Conditions 5, 6 and 10.

### **Condition 5**

Network Rail have submitted report Condition 5b(v): Nuisance Management Plan – Stage 3

**Document reference: 151667-TSA-00-TRU-REP-W-EN-001233**

dated April 2023 Section 5.0 Dust emission outlines control measures.

This states: -

5.1.1 The management of construction dust is a key aspect of the environmental controls on site.

5.1.2 Construction activities associated with the Stage 3 works have the potential to result in dust emissions, such as drilling. This section identifies how dust emissions will be managed and outlines appropriate control techniques. These will be applied during Stage 3 of the Scheme.

5.1.3 The measures set out in the following section will be implemented to ensure that visible dust is not generated or can escape the immediate sites to affect nearby sensitive receptors.

The Vine Street Energy from Waste plant operated by SUEZ under contract from Kirklees Council is located adjacent to the railway line with the Network Rail Alder Street compound immediately to the North. The Energy from Waste plant operates 24/7 and the is reliant on a continuous air supply to the combustion grate and cooling fans. Increased dust generation has the potential to impact on the efficiency of the plant, increase maintenance or in an extreme case cessation of operations. On this basis it is vital that the dust control measures proposed are adhered to and monitoring to confirm success of these measures is undertaken.

Representatives from Kirklees Council, SUEZ and Network Rail are currently in discussion to establish a monitoring regime under the terms of the legal side agreement, and this will hopefully ensure specific dust control and monitoring measures relating to the Energy from Waste plant are agreed and enacted.

Network Rail have submitted report **Condition 5b(ii): Pollution Prevention and Incident Control Plan – Stage 3 Document reference: 151667-TSA-00-TRU-REP-W-EN-001234 Network Rail April 2023**

The content of the report is noted including the reference to Procedure ENV04 Waste Management. The WCA welcomes the proposals and has no comments.

Network Rail have submitted report **Condition 5b(iii): Waste Management Plan – Stage 3 Document reference: 151667-TSA-00-TRU-REP-W-EN-001232 Network Rail April 2023**

The WCA welcomes the details in **5.1 Waste hierarchy** and the target in **5.4 Management of waste** to achieve 90% recycling/ recovery of waste materials. This will enable the proposal to meet the policy requirements of LP43.

Confirmation of compliance with waste legislation including Duty of Care, checks on Waste Carriers and if identified management of Hazardous wastes is welcomed.

**Section 5.2.5 Waste management facilities** states: - As the Scheme progresses, permitted waste facilities will be identified and the SWMP will be updated to include the details on waste facilities and quantities of wastes removed from site.

The WCA requests details of projected waste arisings split by European Waste Catalogue (EWC) codes and proposed permitted waste facilities that will be used for treatment, recovery, or disposal. This information will be used to assess the impact on current and available future waste management capacity within Kirklees and the wider West Yorkshire region.

#### **Condition 6 (Construction Traffic Management Plan)**

The proposals reference traffic management in prior phases. The WCA notes the details and would request that any impact on waste collection activities in relation to access to households or waste facilities are notified and mitigated.

#### **Condition 10 (Contaminated Land)**

The proposals are noted.

Surveying or undertaking groundworks on land adjacent to the railway may include areas previously used for waste disposal. Kirklees Council retains records of active and former landfill sites and will provide available details if requested.