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Subject: Attachments:	Fw: Sand and Gravel Merchants Site Inspection of Tom Gavins Site 23-11-2015.pdf	

apologies attachment now attached. Angela

----- Original Message -----

From: The Buckley Family To: info@epa.ie Cc: Joe Boland ; pcarey@kildarecoco.ie ; Pminnock@kildarecoco.ie ; Fintan Brett Sent: Thursday, November 26, 2015 7:38 PM Subject: Sand and Gravel Merchants

FOA ; Brian Meaney

Dear Mr. Meaney,

We refer to your letter to Mr. John Sheils on 23rd September 2015 and his subsequent reply.

We are acting on behalf of Rathgorragh Residents, we have been in touch with Kildare County Council on several occassions for the last year (47 emails and similar amount of phone calls, 4 visits to the Council Offices & 2 meetings to be precise!) regarding this operation. We lived with this operation in full swing for 1 yearthe roads were a mess, trees, shrubbery, entrances and our cars destroyed with the mud coming from the lorries entering and exiting this operation. We have on several occassion done a survey of the amount of lorries going in and out and on several occassions - there could be up to 100 and over 100 (we have evidence of this) The roads were in extremely dangerous conditions and we have photos if required to prove it - the wheel wash installed was not suitable for the size of operation in question - the road sweeper caused more problems then help - it grounded the wet muck into the road, making it slippery and more dangerous.

The residents have tried to meet with this man on several occassions only to be told by him "I DONT CARE"!

To our knowledge this operation does not have planning - we have tried our best to get information from Kildare County Council and for some reason we can not get any where - Our first meeting was a disaster with the Council and the second meeting - we made some progress or we thought we did......it emerged that there was no planning in force - we sent in emails and completed forms as we were asked to do last July 2015 to see if he had the appropriate planning - 4 months later - no one has had the decency or manners to reply or update us !

The operation closed for approx 1 month in October 2015 - The Kildare County Council and Heaven only knows why......again we were never informed.

On the 16th November 2015 - this has opened again - bigger and larger then ever. We again emailed and rang Kildare Council and today our local Councillor received the attached report - is this suppose to make it ok ???? The report states the landfill is taking in clean topsoil & sub soil - yet from the photos submitted we can clearly see rubble, concrete & blocks!! He was also contacted to get a road sweeper out to clean the road - that was Monday 23rd November 2015 - today is 26th November 2015 and no road sweeper - is it not a condition of his operation to keep the roads clean and have the appropriate wheelwash in place ???

We are at our wits ends - we have emailed the Ombudsman who have acknowledged our letter and are meeting us to discuss the situation.

Can you please let us know what or where we can go as we are getting no where with Kildare County Council.

Also we note Sand & Gravel Merchants applied for a licence for this operation Feb 2009 to The EPA - how has it taken so long to make a decision on this Licence - he has being allowed to operate under permit from The EPA pending this decision despite several complaints from the Residents to The EPA about the many breaches of the EIS

report he lodged to your Offices in November 2014 - also you received an email from Kildare County Council in December 2014 stating he had no planning and this was only addressed Sept 2015 ???

We await hearing from you.

Angela & Ray Buckley

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To: Michael Holligan S.E

From : Ciara Corrigan A.E.S.

Date: 24/11/2015

Re: Inspection of Tom Gavins Site WP 30/2001B

On the 23rd November 2015 I inspected Tom Gavins permitted site at Thornberry, Kill, Co. Kildare.

The site was active during the inspection. Clean topsoil and subsoil are being accepted at the site. The soil is being stored in large mounds till Spring 2016. He proposes to spread the soil in Spring when the land is drier. (See photographs 1-10).

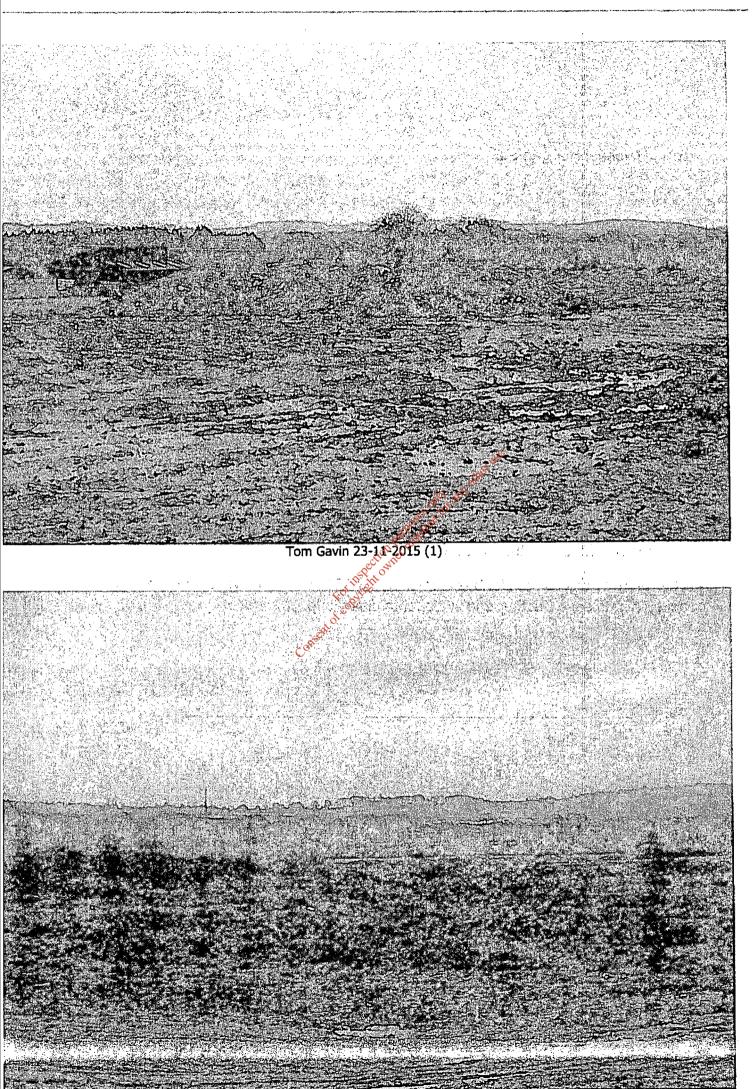
12 acres of the site have been capped and restored. (See photographs 11-13)

The remaining 10 acres will be capped with the topsoil and subsoil that is being brought into the site at the moment.

The roadway exiting the site has a small amount of debris. I rang Tom Gavin and asked him to send out the road sweeper to clean it up.

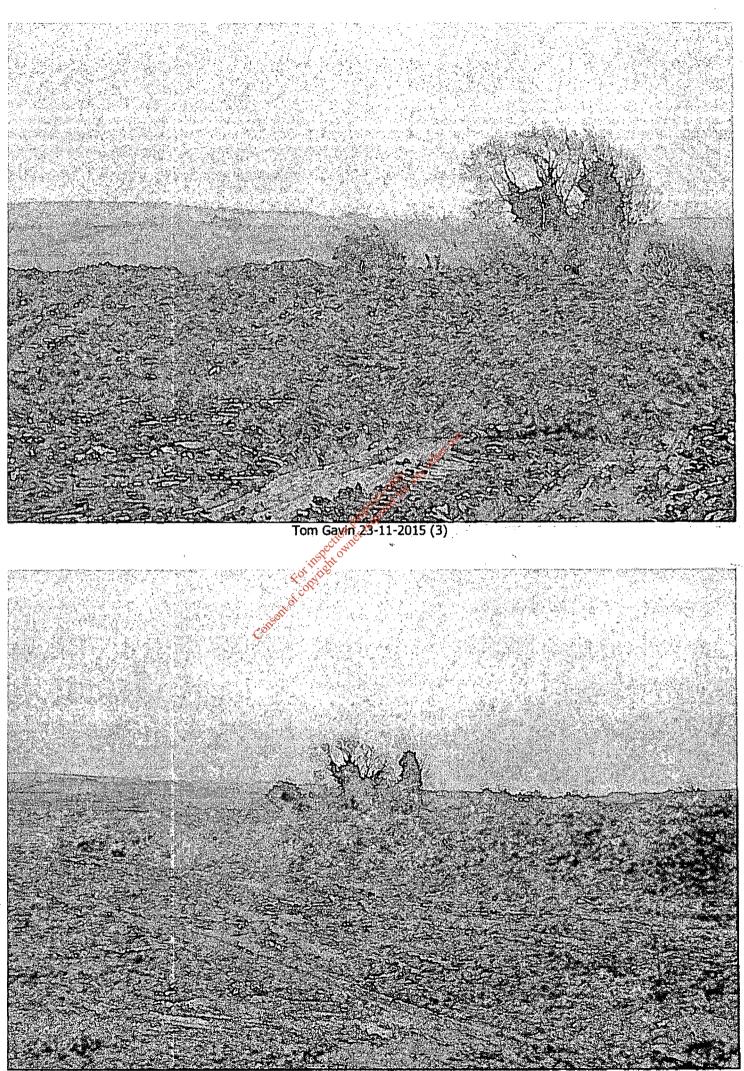
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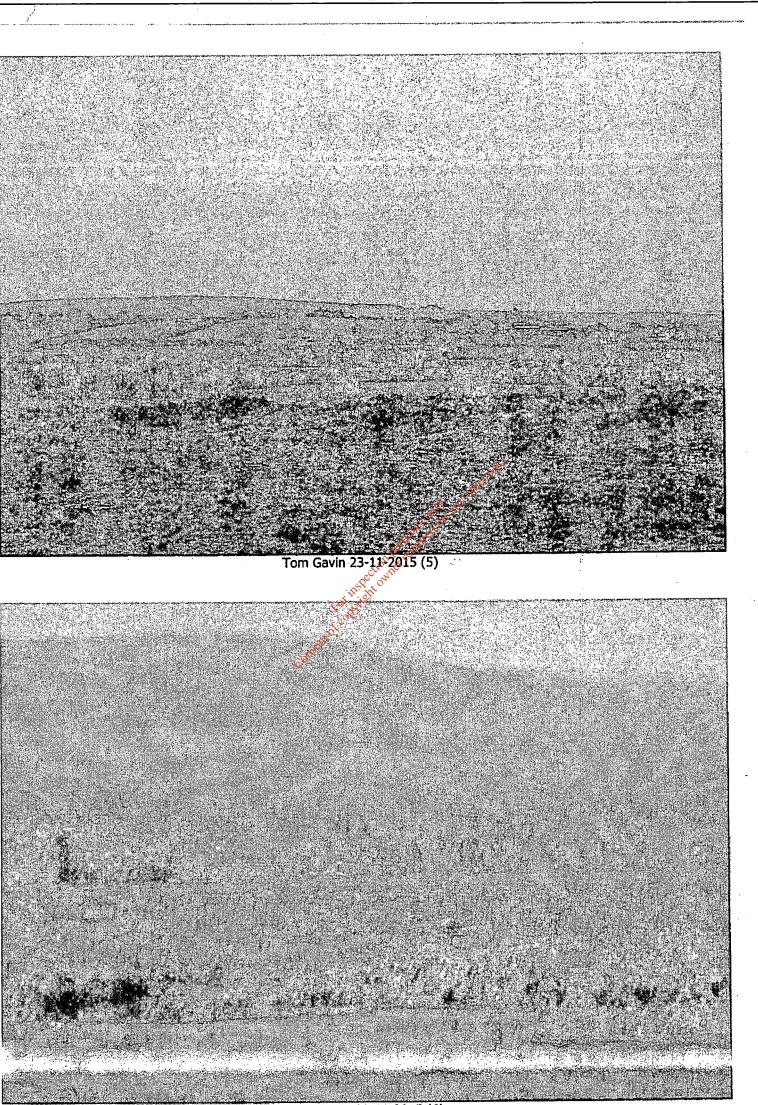


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