

OFFICE OF LICENSING & GUIDANCE

REPORT OF THE TECHNICAL COMMITTEE ON OBJECTIONS TO LICENCE CONDITIONS

TO: Dr. P. Larkin, Director

FROM: Technical Committee LICENSING UNIT

DATE: 19/04/2005

RE: Objection to Proposed Decision for Cavan County Council, Corranure Landfill, Licence Reg. No. 77-2

Application Details

Class(s) of activity: 3rd Schedule: 1, 4, 5(P), 7, 11, 12 and 13.

4th Schedule: 1, 2, 3, 4, 9, 10, 11, 12 and 13.

Location of activity: Corranure Landfill, Cootehill Road, Cavan.

Licence application received: 1st December 2003

PD issued: 4th February 2005

First party objection received: No valid objection

Valid Third Party Objections 28th February 2005 Edmund Mc Cabe.

received

Submissions on Objections None

received:

This report relates to an application from Cavan County Council (CCC) for a review of an existing waste licence for Corranure Landfill (WL 77-1, issued on 12/06/01). The existing facility comprises approximately 7 hectares consisting of a remediated landfill (capped and unlined landfill) and the engineered Phases 1 and 2. The proposed development will consist of a lined extension (Phase 3) on lands owned by CCC to the north of the existing landfill. The design capacity of the landfill is 478,000 tonnes, with a maximum intake per year of 90,000 tonnes over a total area of 4 ha.

At present, filling is taking place in Phase 1. Phase 2 where filling is expected to commence in 2005 has a disposal capacity of 72,000 tonnes. The applicant proposes that filling will commence in Phase 3 in 2006 with a total capacity of 478,000 tonnes up to 2011.

The principal amendments proposed in the review application to the existing waste licence (WL 77-1) are to increase the tonnage of waste accepted from 32,050 to 90,000 tonnes per annum (tpa) and to develop the Phase 3 extension with future cells in the lands adjacent to the existing landfill. It should, at this point, be noted that the proposed decision Schedule A: Waste Acceptance Table A.1 Waste Categories and Quantities contains a typing error and should read a Commercial Waste Quantity of 32,000 tpa, this does not change the overall quantity of waste accepted per annum at 90,000 tonnes.

Recommendation:

Amend Table A.1 Waste Categories and Quantities to read:

Waste Type	Maximum (Tonnes Per Annum) ^{Note 1}
Household waste	50,000
Commercial waste	32,000
Construction and demolition waste ^{Note 3}	5,000
Green waste	2,000
Street cleaning residues	900
Hazardous Household waste ^{Note 2}	100
TOTAL	90,000

Note 1: The quantities of the individual waste types may be adjusted, only with the agreement of the Agency, subject to the total annual waste quantity remaining the same.

Note 2: Hazardous waste types as listed in Table E.1.2 Hazardous waste Types and Quantities of the Article 14 reply received 30/8/04, or as may otherwise be agreed in writing.

Note 3: This limit does not apply to construction and demolition wastes imported to the site for use in the construction of the facility.

Three submissions were made in relation to this application and these were considered by the Board at proposed decision stage. The Directors approved the proposal to grant a waste licence and a recommended decision was issued by the Agency on 4th February 2005.

Consideration of the Objection

The Technical Committee, comprising of Mr. Breen Higgins (Chair), Dr. Karen Creed and Mr. Malcolm Doak, has considered all of the issues raised in the Objections and this report details the Committee's comments and recommendations following the examination of the objections together with discussions with the inspector, Ms. Pernille Hermansen, who also provided comments on the points raised.

This report considers one valid third party objection, as set out below.

Third Party Objections

The objection consisted of a one page document dealing with general issues in relation to the operation and management of the facility.

Objection 1; Edmund Mc Cabe, Drumbo, Cavan.

The objector expresses the opinion that litter control at the facility is inadequate and that the existing condition that litter be removed by 10am the following morning is not being complied with. The objector also states that in dry weather water is not being sprayed in adequate volumes to deal with dust. The objector further states that his land is besieged by birds as no scaring tactics are being employed and that it is over-run by vermin. He also expresses concern at obnoxious odours in the vicinity of his dwelling which he states are a serious nuisance and health hazard.

Technical Committee Comment

The objector made a very similar submission on the application. These matters were discussed comprehensively in the Inspector's Report attached to the RD of February 2005, and are also dealt with in Condition 7 Nuisance Control of the Recommended Decision. Condition 7 has six sub-conditions. Further, the facility will be inspected by the Agency and audited as part of the enforcement requirement. The objector may forward complaints in relation to the facility, should they arise, to the EPA Regional Inspectorate in Castlebar as set out in Condition 12.1(a) of the licence.

Recommendation: No Change.

Overall Recommendation

It is recommended that the Board of the Agency grant a licence to the applicant

- (i) for the reasons outlined in the proposed determination and
- (ii) subject to the conditions and reasons for same in the Proposed Determination,

and

(iii) subject to the amendments proposed in this report.

Signed

Breen Higgins

for and on behalf of the Technical Committee