



# COGGESHALL PARISH COUNCIL

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## RESPONSE FROM COGGESHALL PARISH COUNCIL

**Please find the following objections to the planning ref ESS/20/17/BTE and that conditions 2 (application details), 7 (timescales), 38 (sequence of restoration) and 59 (no importation of mineral for processing) as stated in planning ESS/24/14/BTE remain in force on the following grounds; -**

1. The disturbance created by the increased operating hours will significantly increase in the surrounding properties and country side but especially those near the works. These proposed hours will transgress across early mornings and late evening preventing any respite for residents from the ongoing works and its associated noise.

CPC are aware of the ongoing noise from the works and can regularly hear the vehicle movements especially on still days or days where the humidity is high, allowing noise to propagate easily.

Consequently, we believe that these operating hours will significantly intrude into the day to day lives of our residents impacting their wellbeing and on a much wider scale

2. We do not believe that the applicants extant noise surveys allow for the increased hours and as mentioned above, and they have not made any allowance for the impact that the additional hours and have on the overall propagation of the works noise when considering the duration of the source, IE the sound will propagate further and become louder the longer it is present (Stoke sound propagation law) insomuch as the source has increased but the distance remains unchanged.

3. Similarly, we believe that both the working lights (vehicular) and the site lights will cause considerable disturbance especially during winter months and periods where the days are short; - This has not been considered.

4. The extension of the working hours will increase the overall site emissions from both the plant and the vehicles associated with the extended hours

5. The extension of the working hours will result in an increase of dust and odours especially during the dryer periods

6. The application refers to ESS/37/08/BTE for the IWMF, however this is the original 2008 Application (decided 2010). This is totally misleading and not representative of the current IWMF application and its current iteration based on the multitude of changes including the most recent change and modification such as those permitted under the S73 variation in Feb 2016, where for example, the lagoons, their additions and changes had not been either applied for or permitted.

7. We are concerned that, whilst the extended opening hours do not appear to impact the current quantity of vehicle movements, that the extended hours will ultimately result in additional HGV movements especially during/in the rush hour traffic periods (we are aware of several incidents, near misses because of HGV entering the traffic flows at the hall road junction to date) and the additional vehicle movements may well exceed the site limits in the future.

It is perceived that, whilst no real explanation is provided, the only real reason for the extended operating hours is to make up time due to poor project planning and deliberate delays by the applicant because of the uncertainty that now surround the IWMF and is subsequently associated with the additional effort required recover time and in an attempt to bring the project back on plan.

We hope the above will be consider and assist your denial of the extended opening hours