

MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, 11 November 2020 at 5:30pm

Chaired By: Brian Oates (SUEZ)

Online – Teams

Note Taker: Ashley Kelly (SUEZ)

ATTENDEES

MEMBER NAME	12/06/19	31/07/19	9/10/19	20/11/19	12/02/20	12/08/20	14/10/20	11/11/20
David Banner (DB)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Robin Dzedins (RD)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Tony O'Hara (TOH)	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Halina Gwizdzil (HG)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	No	No
Vernadette Dickson(VD)	-	-	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vandana Rama (VR)	Yes	No	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
	27/02/19	17/04/19	26/06/19	11/09/19	23/10/19	26/2/19	28/10/20	11/11/20
Ian Jansz	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Thelma Wakelam	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Jim Houlahan	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	No	No	Yes

GUESTS AND STAFF

Mark Globan, Andrew Race, Ashley Kelly, Jessica Bandiera (EPA), Heather Hutchinson (EPA)

APOLOGIES

David Banner, Halina Gwizdzil, Warren Wood, Paul Richardson

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

1 WELCOME AND AGENDA

- Attendees and apologies
- Welcome SPF Manager
- Confirm 2021 CRG Date
- HRL Update
- Online Tour
- EPA Update
- Close

2 WELCOME SPF MANAGER

- SUEZ announced Tai Truong will become the Soil Processing Facility manager. Delivering 30 years experience in this field.

3 CONFIRM 2021 CRG DATES

- The dates for the 2021 CRG were presented to the group and confirmed for Hallam Road and Taylors Road by the participating CRG members. The dates will be sent to the CRG members.

4 HRL UPDATE

- Due to the pressing issue of the management of odour caused by the leachate ponds the site wanted to ensure the CRG members had the opportunity to provide further feedback and ask follow up questions prior to the end of year tour.
- The site received feedback about the delivery of the communication on the website saying it is a diluted legalised response, the community would like a timeline and SUEZ could be more up front.
- SUEZ noted the feedback. SUEZ added that no timeline had been given as it did not want to mislead residents, a change in the composition of leachate is required which can take an unspecified amount of time. There are a lot of varying factors that can influence the timeframe. SUEZ is doing everything it can to address this. The intention was to notify local community to assist in understanding. SUEZ understands that a timeline would be helpful.
- Lynbrook Residents Association representative added the information had been relayed on social media and added the Landfill Odour Report provided by the EPA was not putting the communities mind at ease. A key factor of this is how recent the studies had been conducted.
- The EPA responded demonstrating that the report reflected on three studies between 2013 and 2018 which included the Hallam Road Landfill. In response to the community finding it unclear if this report included leachate compounds, the EPA could confirm that this report included leachate compounds. The EPA reaffirmed that the report stated that while the odour can impact wellbeing, there was no evidence suggesting it was impacting physical health. The EPA urged anyone who feels unwell to see a doctor. The EPA also explained that this type of odour can impact people differently. It's the body's natural reaction to feel unwell from particular odours as an evolutionary reaction to avoid consumption.
- The chair interjected saying that the message is heard, and change is required in meeting these communication needs.
- SUEZ will continue to update the communications on the website with key developments regarding the leachate after engaging further expertise.

5 ONLINE TOUR

- The SUEZ staff presented an online tour of the Hallam Road and Taylors Road Landfill. The new format of delivering the tour online was received well.
- Hallam Road management explained how Cell 13 will be filled in two phases. The first phase will be filled on the eastern boundary and gas rises will be installed to capture gas on completion. With the surface covered, it will also provide a visual screen to the community on the east as the site understands the visual impact.
- The group asked about the progress of Cell 12C (at Taylors Road). It was explained that as a prescribed waste landfill it fills much slower. The cell has about a decade left and one other cell remains as a reserve for the Hallam Road Landfill.

6 EPA PDATE

- The EPA noted the changes in which community now communicate, with a large portion being occurring on social media and within a closed Facebook Group. The EPA are assessing how they can best mee these needs.
- The EPA stated that if people are feeling unwell within their own home, then that is impacting their quality of life.
- The community asked what the trigger point is for a Pollution Abatement Notice issued and stated that the EPA said that the new ponds won't create odour.
- SUEZ responded stating that leachate ponds are generally fairly standard across Australia and that this is a unique situation where leachate has been in anaerobic conditions for an extended period of time. SUEZ also added that the team is investigating the best method to

address the odour and treatment of leachate, both short term and long term as these ponds have been established to ensure there is leachate management available post site closure. SUEZ has spoken to water treatment experts at both SUEZ Water and Melbourne Water to understand further options to improve the treatment process.

- SUEZ noted that they are required to treat and discharge leachate to meet the orders of a Pollution Abatement Notice issued by the EPA, based off of a hydrological assessment.

MEETING CLOSED 7:00pm

ACTION TRACKER

Item	Description	Action	Due
1	Site management to provide further key website updates	AK	ASAP
	Send CRG dates to members	AK	1/12/20