PLANNING APPLICATION TO VARY CONDITION 10 OF PLANNING PERMISSION EN/07/0051C TO ALLOW IMPORTATION OF WASTE ON SUNDAYS AND BANK HOLIDAYS

OLD ALDWINCLE ROAD, LOWICK, NORTHAMPTONSHIRE

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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 Introduction

1.1.1 The planning application EN/07/0051C was granted permission on 21 March 2007 by Northamptonshire County Council for the extension of the composting site to facilitate storage and processing of wood waste.

1.1.2 The application site is a composting facility which has permission for the importation of wood waste, its storage and processing and the use of wood waste in the composting operations.

1.1.3 Planning permission EN/07/0051C has limited times when material can be received at the site, which due to the municipal collection arrangements needs to be extended to allow deliveries on Bank and Public Holidays. Sunday deliveries are also required to facilitate the efficient operation of the Household Waste Recycling sites run by Northamptonshire County Council.

1.1.4 Planning permission EN/06/1416C was granted on 1 September 2006 which allowed the turning of compost windrows and receipt of green waste on Sundays or Bank Holidays (condition 10).

1.1.5 A copy of the two planning permissions is included in Appendix 1.

1.1.6 The application seeks the following changes (additions shown in bold and deletions by cross-through) to Condition 10 of permission EN/07/0051C;

Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing by the Waste Planning Authority, the development hereby permitted and all operations relating thereto, shall be restricted to between the hours of 07.00 and 18.00 Monday to Friday and 07.00 to 13.0016.00 on Saturday with working on Sundays or Bank Holidays limited to the receipt of green waste and its stockpiling between the hours of 07.00 and 13.00.

1.1.7 The changes are being sought in order to accommodate the Council’s household green waste collection. This is a 5 day a week collection service which means that collections will be carried out on bank or public holidays. The applicant is seeking to be able to accept collections on these days, although no processing or other on-site treatment of the waste would be carried out.

1.1.8 In addition, reception of waste on Sundays was also requested to allow the delivery to the site of green waste from the Household Waste Recycling Centres run by Northamptonshire County Council. Green waste has season peaks, especially in the Spring and early Autumn, when the sites need to take material out to make room for empty skips for public use and to deliver to the application site on Sundays.

1.1.9 In addition, three extra hours on Saturdays is requested, to provide time for the site operative to carry out any necessary waste handling operations, especially when the site is busy during the peak periods of green waste inputs.

1.1.10 A request, dated 25 March 2010, was made to Northamptonshire County Council to allow the receipt of waste on Friday 2nd April 2010, Sunday 4th April 2010 and Monday 5th April 2010. A further request, dated 29 April 2010, was made to allow the receipt of waste on May Bank
Holidays, 3rd and 31st May 2010 and on Saturdays between the hours of 13.00 and 16.00. These requests were primarily based on the receipt of waste from the Household Waste Recycling Centres. A copy of the letters is included in Appendix 2.

2 SITE LOCATION AND DESCRIPTION

2.1 Site Location

2.1.1 The application site is situated on land off Old Aldwincle Road. The access to the site is from the A6116 via Aldwincle Road and Old Aldwincle Road. The location is shown in Drawing GPP-MC-L-11-01.

2.1.2 The site is over 500m from the highway and the nearest residential property. The site cannot easily be seen from any residential property. Old Aldwincle Road will provide access to Aldwincle Road and thus to the A6116. The junction of Old Aldwincle Road with the highway was improved to accommodate use by heavy goods vehicles, as required by Condition 3 of Planning Permission EN/03/1434C for composting at the site.

2.2 Site Description

2.2.1 The existing operation uses an area of approximately 3 hectares, in the location shown on Plan No GPP/MC/L/11/01. The site is shown on Drawing GPP/MC/L/11/02 and the site layout is illustrated on Drawing GPP/MC/L/11/2A.

2.2.2 The site has been landscaped in accordance with the approved plan, ref 3152/CO2/00-005 dated June 2007.

2.3 Existing Operations

2.3.1 Biodegradable waste is shredded and laid out on the impermeable pad, in open windrows, to compost for a period of approximately 8-16 weeks depending on the material and the weather conditions. Windrows are a maximum of 3m high. Once the composting process has been completed, the material is screened and then stored in the maturation area prior to being moved off-site for use as a soil improver.

2.3.2 The arrangements are shown on the Site Plan with Aerial Photograph GPP/MC/L/11/2A, which shows the composting pad with windrows and material stockpiles, the lagoon and the stockpiles of processed compost awaiting collection.

2.3.3 The impermeable pad is 60m by 140m, which has been laid to drain into a storage lagoon, from where water is pumped out during periods of dry weather, and sprayed over the compost to keep it moist.

2.3.4 The site is currently run by 1 full-time member of staff, but with additional hours as applied for, there will need to be an additional member of staff to be recruited.
3 PLANNING

3.1 Planning History

Planning Permission EN/03/1434C
3.1.1 Planning permission was granted for composting operations on 9 February 2004.

Planning Permission EN/04/1694C
3.1.2 Planning permission was granted for the extraction of limestone from the composting site, to enable the composting operations to be recessed below the surrounding ground levels.

Planning Permission EN/06/1416C (copy in Appendix 1)
3.1.3 This permission was in relation to a variation of condition no.2 of planning permission EN/03/1434C regarding storage of wood waste.

Planning Permission EN/07/0051C (copy in Appendix 1)
3.1.4 The application sought to extend the composting site, including the extraction of limestone, to facilitate the storage and processing of wood waste.

4 ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACTS

4.1 Traffic

4.1.1 It is expected that by opening the site on Bank and Public Holidays will generate up to a maximum of 20 loads of green waste per day. This figure is only likely to be reached on those days which fall in the green waste peak seasons, i.e. Easter if it is late, May Bank Holidays and August Bank Holiday. Indeed, the site will be shut on the holidays associated with Christmas and New Year as there will be no municipal collections and the HWRC are unlikely to receive much green waste at this time of the year.

4.1.2 The maximum number of loads associated with deliveries on Sundays would be 10, but this is only likely to be achieved during the spring and autumn peak periods. Otherwise, input loads are more likely to be 3-5 per day.

4.1.3 During the period since the site became operational, there have been no complaints associated with traffic in and out of the site.

4.1.4 The access road to the site is not busy on Sundays and Bank and Public Holidays, therefore the additional traffic will be noticeable. However, because the road is not busy, the small number of additional movements will not lead to any problems of capacity or highway safety.
4.2 Noise

4.2.1 The only noise associated with the additional hours of operation on Sundays and Bank and Public Holidays will result for the delivery traffic and from a vehicle operating on site to push up the waste into a stockpile awaiting shredding during the normal working hours.

4.2.2 The additional hours on a Saturday afternoon will involve the full range of site activities, but during the period since the site became operational, there have been no complaints associated with noise from these operations.

4.2.3 The nearest residential properties are over 500m away and are now screened by the landscaped bund to the south and by the higher land to the west, north and east., therefore they should not experience any noticeable increase in noise levels.

5 CONCLUSIONS

5.1 Conclusions

5.1.1 The need for the additional hours for the receipt of green waste deliveries is to enable the operator to better provide for the needs of its existing customers, both District Council and County Council waste collection services.

5.1.2 The increase in traffic will be low for most of the year, with the maximum number of loads only likely during the spring and autumn peak periods for the generation of green waste, thus it will have an insignificant impact on the local highway network and there are no noise sensitive properties in the vicinity that could be affected by the limited activities during the additional hours.
APPENDIX 1: Planning Permissions EN/07/0051C and EN/06/1416C
Town and Country Planning Act 1990

PLANNING PERMISSION

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**Part I - Particulars of application**

**Date of Application**
2nd June 2006

**Application No.:**
EN/06/1416C

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**Particulars and location of development**
Variation of Condition 2 of Planning Permission EN/03/1434C to additionally permit the storage and composting of wood waste, Land at Old Aldwincle Road, Lowick

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**Part II - Particulars of decision:**

The Northamptonshire County Council

Hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that **permission has been granted** for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

**Commencement**

1. The development must be begun not later than the expiration of two years beginning with the date of this permission.

**Scope of Planning Permission**

2. The development hereby permitted is restricted to the storage and composting of biodegradable green waste and wood waste only, and no other form of waste storage or processing shall take place on the site.

**Access and Highway Safety**

3. Prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted, a minimum 10.5m kerb radii shall be provided on the southern side of the access point with
Aldwincle Road. (Please see attached form P.L.6).

4. The access gradient shall not exceed 1 in 20 for the first 15 metres into the site from the highway boundary.

5. Any gates at the access point shall be hung to open inwards only and shall be set back such that the largest vehicle that will visit the site can wait clear of the highway while the gates are operated.

6. All commercial traffic visiting and leaving the site shall be directed via Aldwincle Road to and from the A6116 junction to the south and a sign shall be erected inside the gateway requiring all such vehicles to turn right into Aldwincle Road when leaving the site. Access to and from the western (village) end of Old Aldwincle Road to the A6116 shall be restricted to local farm traffic only.

7. The route of the public bridleway NH.19 which follows the length of Old Aldwincle Road shall be kept clear, unobstructed and safe for users and no structures or materials shall be placed on the right of way. Any damage to the surface of the right of way shall be made good by the applicant.

8. A passing bay shall be provided in Old Aldwincle Road approximately midway between the entrance to the site and the access to the public highway.

Wheel Cleaning and Vehicle Sheeting

9. All operational vehicles leaving the site shall be cleansed of mud and other debris and all waste transported to the site shall be securely sheeted to ensure that no mud, debris or waste materials are deposited on the public highway.

Hours of Working

10. Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority, the development hereby permitted and all operations relating thereto, other than the turning of the compost windrows and the receipt of green waste, shall be restricted to between the hours of 07.00 and 18.00 Monday to Friday and 07.00 to 13.00 on Saturday with no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

Amenity Protection

11. All operations shall be carried out in such a manner and measures undertaken to ensure that any effects of noise, dust and odour are kept to an absolute minimum. More specifically:-

   a) during the permitted operational hours the level of noise emitted as a result of any activity or operations shall not exceed 55dB LAeq (1 hour) when measured at or recalculated as at a height of 1.2m above ground level and 3.6m from the facade of any residential property or other occupied building during any 30 minute period.
   
   b) provision shall be made for the suppression of dust, including the use of water spray facilities, as necessary.
   c) the compost windrows shall be regularly turned to ensure appropriate aerobic conditions to prevent odorous emissions.

12. Any plastic sacks and other plastics or non biodegradable materials shall be
removed before shredding takes place and the site shall be regularly cleared of any plastic waste and other windblown materials.

13. No floodlighting shall be installed or operated as part of the construction or in the operation of the development.

14. The water storage lagoon shall be securely fenced and provided with safety warning notices.

**Visual Amenity**

15. Prior to the erection of any buildings, details of their design, materials and location on the site shall be submitted to and agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority.

16. Any buildings subsequently permitted are to be used only as an ancillary part of the principal development permitted by this permission and for no other purposes whatsoever. The buildings shall be removed in the event of the cessation of composting operations. (See Condition 20).

17. Composting windrows shall not exceed 3.0 metres in height and stockpiles of green waste material prior to processing or awaiting export on completion of processing shall not exceed 4 metres in height.

**Landscaping**

18. Landscaping and ‘ground modelling’ shall take place in accordance with the details and provisions of the landscaping scheme as contained in Drawing No 1 ‘Level Grid Overlay’ dated 9th March 2004 approved by letter dated 17th February 2005 and shall be completed within 12 months of the date of this decision unless otherwise agreed in writing by the County Planning Authority. All planting shall be maintained for the first 5 years and then left to grow to maturity.

**Archaeology**

19. No development shall take place until the applicant has secured the implementation of a programme of archaeological investigation and recording in accordance with a written scheme which has been submitted to and approved by the County Planning Authority.

**Restoration**

20. In the event of the composting processes ceasing for a period in excess of 12 months all concrete hardstandings, buildings and other structures shall be removed and the land shall be restored in accordance with a scheme utilising the materials incorporated into the ground modelling works which shall be submitted to the County Planning Authority for agreement in writing. The agreed scheme shall be implemented within the timescales as approved.

**Surface Water Drainage**

21. Prior to the commencement of any development, a scheme for the provision and implementation of surface water runoff attenuation shall be submitted and agreed in writing with the County Planning Authority. The works/scheme shall be
constructed and completed in accordance with the approved plans/specification at such time(s) as may be specified in the approved scheme.

The reasons for the conditions and the Development Plan policies relevant are:-

1. Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. To define this permission. (County Structure Plan (CSP) 1996 – 2016 – Policy W3)

3. To ensure a satisfactory means of access to the highway. (CSP Policy W3)

4-5. In the interests of highway safety. (CSP Policy W3)

6. To ensure that all commercial traffic visiting and leaving the site is routed via the principal road network and does not enter nearby villages. (CSP Policy W3)

7&8. To protect users of the bridleway and to avoid conflict with composting traffic. (CSP Policy W3)

9. In the interests of highway safety. (CSP Policy W3)

10-14. To safeguard the amenities of the area as a whole and the local community in particular. (CSP Policy W3)

15. To retain control over the detailed appearance and treatment of the development in the interests of the amenities of the area. (CSP Policy W3)

16. To ensure that the site is only used for the purposes proposed and is satisfactorily restored afterwards. (CSP Policy W3)

17. In the interests of visual amenity. (CSP Policy W3)

18. To ensure that the development is adequately screened and is absorbed into the local landscape. (CSP Policies AR2 and W3).

19. To safeguard the archaeological interests of the area. (CSP Policy W3).

20. To enable the County Planning Authority to adequately control the development and to ensure, if necessary, that the land is restored to a condition capable of beneficial use. (CSP Policy W3).

21. To prevent the increased risk of flooding.

Informative- Please see:-

1. Attached letters setting out the requirements of the Environment Agency.
REASON FOR APPROVAL OF THIS APPLICATION

The composting of green waste accords with the County Council's waste management objectives and the waste hierarchy (County Structure Plan Policy W1). Although the approved composting facility is located in the open countryside, it is viewed against the backdrop of Bullicks Wood and implementation of the approved planting and ground modelling will assist with its assimilation into the local landscape. No objections have been raised to the current proposal to allow the composting of wood waste in addition to the biodegradable green waste already permitted and, having regard to the location of the site outside of the village of Lowick, it is unlikely that this will cause any significant problems and refusal of permission could not therefore be justified.

Date: 1st September 2006
Signed: C.P. Watson

Authorised to sign on behalf of the Head of Sustainable Development
1. If the applicant is aggrieved by the decision of the local planning authority to refuse permission or approval for the proposed development, or the grant permission or approval subject to conditions, he may appeal to the Secretary of State for the Environment in accordance with Sections 78 and 79 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 within six months of receipt of this notice. (Appeals must be made on a form which is obtainable from the Planning Inspectorate, 3/08a Kite Wing, Temple Quay House, 2 The Square, Temple Quay, Bristol, BS1 6PN). The Secretary of State has power to allow a longer period for the giving of a notice of appeal but he will not normally be prepared to exercise this power unless there are special circumstances which excuse the delay in giving notice of appeal. The Secretary of State is not required to entertain an appeal if it appears to him that permission for the proposed development could not have been granted by the local planning authority, or could not have been so granted otherwise than subject to the conditions imposed by them having regard to the statutory requirements (a), to the provisions of the development order, and to any direction given under the order. He does not in practice refuse to entertain appeals solely because the decision of the local planning authority was based on a direction given by him.

2. If permission to develop land is refused or granted subject to conditions, whether by the local planning authority or by the Secretary of State for the Environment and the owner of the land claims that the land has become incapable of reasonably beneficial use in its existing state and cannot be rendered capable of reasonably beneficial use by carrying out any development which has been or would be permitted he may serve on the Council of the district in which the land is situated a purchase notice requiring that council to purchase his interest in the land in accordance with the provisions of Part VI of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

3. In certain circumstances, a claim may be made against the local planning authority for compensation, where permission is refused or granted subject to conditions by the Secretary of State on appeal or on a reference of the application to him. The circumstances in which such compensation is payable are set out in Section 114 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

(a) The statutory requirements are those set out in Section 79(6) of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, namely sections 70 and 72(1) of the Act.

Note: This permission only relates to planning permission and does not include consent under the Building Regulations for which separate permission may be required. The requirements of the Chronically Sick and Disabled Persons Act 1970, the Disability Discrimination Act 1995 and the Special Education Needs and Disability Act 2001 should also be adhered to wherever appropriate.
Northamptonshire County Council

Town and Country Planning Act 1990

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Part I - Particulars of application

Date of Application
21st December 2006

Application No.
EN/07/0051C

Particulars and location of development
Extension of composting site, including extraction of limestone, to facilitate storage and processing of wood waste Land off Old Aldwincle Road, Lowick.

Part II - Particulars of decision:

The Northamptonshire County Council

Hereby give notice in pursuance of the provisions of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 that permission has been granted for the carrying out of the development referred to in Part I hereof in accordance with the application and plans submitted subject to the following conditions:-

Commencement

1. The development must be begun not later than the expiration of two years beginning with the date of this permission.

Scope of Planning Permission

2. The mineral development hereby permitted is restricted to the minor extraction (16,000 tonnes) of limestone aggregate only of which a maximum of 8,000 tonnes may be taken off site for sale. No other materials shall be removed from the site and the depth of excavation shall not exceed 4.0 meters.

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Access and Highway Safety

3a) Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing by the Waste Planning Authority, (as a result of an alternative arrangement for a contribution to highway maintenance), prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted a Section 278 (Highways Act 1980) legal agreement shall be entered into to secure provision for maintenance of the public highway.

3b) Prior to the commencement of the development hereby permitted, a minimum 10.5m kerb radii shall be provided on the southern side of the access point with Aldwincle Road and within 3 months of the date of this permission further kerbing work for a minimum distance of 35metres shall be undertaken on the opposite side of the highway to the access point on to the Old Aldwincle Road.

3c) Within three months of the date of this permission a scheme for signage to warn drivers of the use of the Aldwincle Road for access by Heavy Goods Vehicles shall be submitted for agreement in writing. The agreed scheme shall be implemented and maintained.

4. The access gradient shall not exceed 1 in 20 for the first 15 metres into the site from the highway boundary.

5. The existing gate(s) at the access point shall be hung to open inwards only and shall be set back along the Old Aldwincle Road such that 3 No. of the largest vehicles that will visit the site can wait clear of the highway while the gates are operated. Heavy Goods Vehicle access through the gate shall be managed to ensure that vehicles do not queue on the public highway.

6. All commercial traffic visiting and leaving the site shall be directed via Aldwincle Road to and from the A6116 junction to the south and a sign shall be erected inside the gateway requiring all such vehicles to turn right into Aldwincle Road when leaving the site. Access to and from the western (village) end of Old Aldwincle Road to the A6116 shall be restricted to local farm traffic only.

7a) The route of the public bridleway NH.19 which follows the length of Old Aldwincle Road shall be kept clear, unobstructed and safe for users and no structures or materials shall be placed on the right of way. Any damage to the surface of the right of way shall be made good by the applicant.

7b) Within three months of the date of this permission proposals for suitable warning signs to be erected on the public bridleway shall be submitted for approval and the agreed signs shall be installed and maintained.

8. A passing bay shall be provided in Old Aldwincle Road approximately midway between the entrance to the site and the access to the public highway.

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Wheel Cleaning and Vehicle Sheeting

9. All operational vehicles leaving the site shall be cleansed of mud and other debris to ensure that no mud or debris is deposited on the public highway.

Hours of Working

10. Except as may otherwise be agreed in writing by the Waste Planning Authority, the development hereby permitted and all operations relating thereto shall be restricted to between the hours of 07.00 and 18.00 Monday to Friday and 07.00 to 13.00 on Saturday with no working on Sundays or Bank Holidays.

Amenity Protection

11. All operations shall be carried out in such a manner and measures undertaken to ensure that any effects of noise and dust are kept to an absolute minimum. More specifically:-

a) during the permitted operational hours the level of noise emitted as a result of any activity or operations shall not exceed 55dB LAeq (1 hour) when measured at or recalculated as at a height of 1.2m above ground level and 3.6m from the facade of any residential property or other occupied building during any 30 minute period.
b) provision shall be made for the suppression of dust, including the use of water spray facilities, as necessary.

12. No floodlighting shall be installed or operated in the carrying out of the development.

13. The water storage lagoon shall be securely fenced and provided with safety warning notices.

Landscaping and Ground Modelling

14. Within 4 months of the date of this permission the ground modelling works proposed on submitted Plan ASC.06.527A shall be commenced and the works shall be completed no later than 8 months from this permission date.

15. Within 3 months of the date of this permission full details of a scheme of landscaping shall be submitted to the Waste Planning Authority for approval. Such details shall incorporate the general principles indicated in the application submitted Plan GPP/SP/LC/01/06.

16. No ground modelling, soil disturbance or storage of materials shall take place closer than 4m to the hedgerow. A minimum 4m "no plough zone" shall also be introduced as a buffer to protect new planting from agricultural damage and pesticides.

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17. All of the subsequently agreed landscaping shall be carried out in the first planting season following its approval and shall be maintained and any trees or shrubs which die or otherwise fail within 5 years of planting shall be replaced with similar species

Restoration

18. In the event of the wood waste storage and composting process ceasing for a period in excess of 12 months all concrete hardstandings, buildings and other structures shall be removed and the land shall be restored in accordance with a scheme utilising the materials in the ground modelling works, which shall be submitted to the Waste Planning authority for agreement in writing. The agreed scheme shall be implemented within the timescales as approved.

Reasons for conditions and relevant Development Plan Policies

1. Required to be imposed pursuant to Section 91 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990.

2. To define this permission.

3.5 To ensure a satisfactory means of access to the highway and highway improvement works. (Waste Local Plan (WLP) Policy 8) and in the interests of highway safety.

6. To ensure that all commercial traffic visiting and leaving the site is routed via the principal road network and does not enter nearby villages. (WLP Policy 8 and 15).

7&8. To protect users of the bridleway and to avoid conflict with minerals traffic. (WLP Policy 14).

9. In the interests of highway safety. (WLP Policy 8).

10-13. To safeguard the amenities of the area as a whole and the local community in particular. (WLP Policy 15).

14-17. To ensure that the development is adequately screened and is absorbed into the local landscape. ((WLP Policy 9).

18. To ensure that the land is restored to a condition capable of beneficial use. (WLP Policy 16 and Minerals Local Plan Policy 14).

Reasons for Approval

Planning permission exists for green and wood waste composting at the site, and permission was also granted for the extraction of limestone to facilitate the construction of the composting pad and water run-off lagoon. These previous applications were considered to be in accordance with the Development Plan and were approved subject to conditions. The current application to extend the local waste facility being developed is supported by the Waste Local Plan policies 1, 4, 8

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and 18, however the case for taking out more limestone in accordance with Policy 12 of the Minerals Local Plan is more balanced. There are overall improvements proposed in this application in relation to the ground modelling and landscaping proposals and therefore it is considered that it would be appropriate to approve this small addition to the previous limestone extraction permission and the additional future wood storage area.

The environmental, amenity and highway safety objections have been carefully considered and it is considered that the impacts can be satisfactorily controlled by planning condition. The Highway Authority is satisfied with a negotiated package of localised highway improvement works and a financial contribution. The other objections raise by Aldwincle Parish Council are not considered to be justifiable reasons for refusal. It is however suggested that a Local Liaison Group is established to engage the local community in Aldwincle and Lowick in the ongoing activities at this site.

Date. 21st March 2007

Signed

On behalf of the
Head of Sustainable Development

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APPENDIX 2: Letters from Northamptonshire County Council
Dear Jo,

**Request for Easter working at Helmdon and Lowick composting sites**

Thank you for your email of 24 March 2010. I can confirm that due to the flexibility of the condition applied in relation to working hours that the request is deemed acceptable.

The receipt of green waste to the Helmdon and Lowick composting sites is acceptable on the following dates but shall be limited to waste originating from Household Waste Recycling Centres only:

- Friday 2\(^{nd}\) April 2010
- Sunday 4\(^{th}\) April 2010
- Monday 5\(^{th}\) April 2010

Dependent upon the length of your contract with EMS and the frequency with which you may require to vary your operating hours, you may wish to formally apply for permission to vary of the conditions at the two sites. This application would be subject to the full planning process including consultation with relevant parties.

Should you have any further queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

For Chief Planning Officer

cc. Lowick Parish Council, Aldwincle Parish Council and Islip Parish Council
Dear Jo,

**Bank Holiday receipt of waste at Lowick Composting Site**

I can confirm that receipt of green waste from Northamptonshire Household Waste Recycling Centres at the above site is acceptable on May Bank Holiday Mondays, 3 and 31 May 2010 and on Saturdays between the hours of 13:00 and 16:00.

Following our conversation I can confirm that condition 10 of planning permission EN/03/1434 does not restrict the receipt of green waste and therefore can be received outside of the hours stated within the condition. Unfortunately, the latter permission for the extension of composting site for the processing of wood waste ref. EN/07/0051C has a condition which restricts all activities to within the stated hours. It would therefore be advisable to apply for a variation of the ‘Hours of Working’ condition on EN/07/0051C to have the working hours restrictions consistent across the site.

Should you have any further queries regarding this matter, please do not hesitate to contact me.

Kind Regards

For Chief Planning Officer