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PLANNING AND REGULATION COMMITTEE 6 FEBRUARY 2017

PRESENT: COUNCILLOR I G FLEETWOOD (CHAIRMAN)

Councillors D McNally (Vice-Chairman), G J Ellis, Ms T Keywood-Wainwright, N H Pepper, Mrs H N J Powell, Mrs J M Renshaw, T M Trollope-Bellew and W S Webb

Officers in attendance:-

Andy Gutherson (County Commissioner), Neil McBride (Planning Manager) and Steve Blagg (Democratic Services Officer)

1 <u>APOLOGIES/REPLACEMENT MEMBERS</u>

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors J Beaver, D Brailsford, D C Hoyes MBE, D Hunter-Clarke, M S Jones and C L Strange.

2 <u>TO DEMOLISH AN EXISTING BUILDING, CONSTRUCT A NEW BUILDING</u> AND OPERATE A WASTE TRANSFER STATION, INCLUDING THE PRODUCTION OF REFUSE DERIVED FUEL, WITH ASSOCIATED DEVELOPMENT INCLUDING A NEW WEIGHBRIDGE, RELOCATION OF EXISTING WASH BAY, DIESEL TANK AND RE-ALIGNMENT OF EXISTING FENCE LINE BY VEOLIA ES (UK) LTD AT WASTE MANAGEMENT FACILITY, VEOLIA SITE, LONG LEYS ROAD, LINCOLN -L/1076/16

The Committee made a site visit to the Veolia site, Long Leys Road, Lincoln prior to consideration of the planning application at today's meeting of the Planning and Regulation Committee.

Following a health and safety presentation by the Company, Members toured the planning application site with officers and the applicant. Officers explained the purpose of the site visit and gave a brief description of the application site, the access to the site from Long Leys Road, the surrounding features on the site including the location of the Eco Homes, explained the dimensions of the new build which was to replace one of the existing buildings and stated that land to the east of the application site was a former quarry and then subsequently a landfill site.

During the tour comments made by the Committee and responses included the following:-

• An enquiry about the location of the applicant's site boundary with an adjacent

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residential property. The applicant explained the extent of his boundary in this area.

- The applicant stated that vehicles left the site early in the morning and that the site mainly comprised a workshop and storage facilities.
- The location of the applicant's site was on a light commercial industrial estate.
- The proposed application would receive waste as detailed in the report which would then be bulked up, segregated and removed from the site over a 24 hour period.
- A member remarked that there was a smell from the site but there was agreement that the smell was associated with a general light industrial estate and not confined to the application site.
- It was noted how quiet the site was and whether this was a normal occurrence? The applicant agreed that it was quieter than usual and that the reason for this was due to a number of vehicles having to have a MOT.
- There would be a total of 50 HGV movements a day (25 in and 25 out) if the application was approved.
- The height of the proposed new building was 12 metres to the ridge and the Energy from Waste plant at North Hykeham was a significantly larger building.
- The type of vehicle to be used in the waste operation was a front loading dust cart and its contents would be tipped and sorted inside the proposed new building which would be 9 feet higher at its apex compared to the existing workshop.
- Officers explained that Highways had requested that the road leading to the applicant's site should be widened at the access point to the highway to allow two HGVs to pass together if the application was approved.
- Officers explained where the objectors to the application were located.

The site visit ended at 10.10am

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