

Development Services - Planning St Helens Council Town Hall Victoria Square St Helens Merseyside WA10 1HP

14 July 2021 via Planning Portal

Dear Sir/Madam

Town & Country Planning Act 1990 (as amended)

Full planning application for the development of an activated carbon filter, 15m stack and associated works at Veolia Glass Processing Facility, off Ravenhead Road, St Helens, Merseyside.

Please find enclosed the following documents in respect to an application for the above-

Completed application forms;

VES_TD_GLASSINNOV_300_004 - Site Location Plan and Existing General Arrangement

VES_TD_GLASSINNOV_300_005 - Proposed Elevations

VES_TD_GLASSINNOV_300_006 - Proposed Elevations

The application seeks permission for the Installation of an activated carbon filter system for the abatement of odours from the dust extraction system in the glass recycling process and associated ancillary works. It is proposed that the existing outlet airflow from the dust filter will be diverted from the existing 'dust' stack to activate the carbon filter. After passing through the activated carbon filter the cleaned air is then vented through a proposed 15m high stack. These process improvements are in line with discussions held with the EA following odour complaints relating to the glass recycling process.

This proposed solution has been selected following further discussions with the EA and industry specialists and is anticipated to provide a more effective solution with dealing with odour from the facility, consequently negating the requirement to extend the existing dust extraction stack to 30m high, as approved previously under permission P/2020/0755/FUL. The existing 13m high dust extraction stack would be retained and would be utilised in the unlikely event of the carbon filter being off-line.

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The primary aim in the management of waste is to ensure that it is handled, treated and disposed of safely, cost effectively and in a manner that does not impact negatively on the environment. A further key objective is to get the most environmental benefits out of waste. The planning application proposal seeks to ensure the continued operation of the glass processing facility, which is ultimately a benefit to the sustainable management of waste and to the circular economy.

The presence of the existing Dryer and Dust Stacks allows a clear understanding of the potential for visual impact. Given the height and location set within the wider character of the area it is not predicted that the additional filter and stack would have an unacceptable impact upon the visual amenity of the area.

Having undertaken detailed discussions with the EA, it is considered that the proposed solution represents a positive improvement to site operations and general amenity, contributing to an ongoing sustainable form of development. It is considered that there are compelling reasons that justify the grant of planning permission. The proposal would not give rise to unacceptable environmental impacts and would therefore be compatible with the development plan, NPPF and National Planning Policy for Waste.

Payment of the application fee has been made via a direct BACS payment to the Planning Portal. Should you require any further information in order to determine the application please don't hesitate to contact me on the number below.

Yours faithfully For and on behalf of Veolia ES (UK) Ltd



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