

What are we contacting you about?

We wish to continue providing local people with regular updates regarding the Bellhouse Landfill Site in Stanway, Colchester. The site is operated by Enovert South Ltd.

This is the **fourth edition** of our quarterly update in which we provide information on our regulation of the site, any reported problems that may have off site impacts and any other relevant information.

What has happened since the last update?

Since the beginning of January 2021, the number of reports we have received from the public has remained relatively low with three reports of odour and two for litter.

The landfill operator is now working in the lowest section of the site, which should reduce the potential for wind-blown litter to leave the permitted boundary. However, more mobile netting is being ordered to increase litter controls on windier days. During the recent high winds, the company also took the decision to temporarily stop all incoming household wastes.

After a recent period of windy weather, we inspected the footpaths surrounding the site and were satisfied that the current litter control measures are considered adequate.

One of our recent inspections of the area also confirmed that the new internal haul road and wheel wash system seem to be effective as we noted no mud being tracked onto the public highway.

In addition, a road sweeper is in use on a daily basis and will sweep Warren Lane as necessary.

What happens now?

We will continue to monitor the operation of the site through routine compliance visits and regular odour monitoring visits in the local area.

Regular liaison meetings with the Operators will also continue.

How do I report odour?

Please continue to report odour that you think is coming from the site to our incident hotline on 0800 80 70 60. We will investigate your report and provide you with feedback, if you request it.

A number of recent reports were phoned in to us some 4 hours after odour was first noticed. Whilst these reports were still investigated, in order to assist us in substantiating all reported incidents we would recommend communicating problems to us as soon as possible. The site operator will investigate reported nuisance as soon as they are notified by us, so real time reporting is important.

As mentioned, we can raise any specific concerns you may have at the quarterly local liaison meetings. Please use the email address supplied below.

If there is any specific information you would like to see in our quarterly updates, please let us know using the following email address Enquiries_Eastanglia@environment-agency.gov.uk Please include 'Bellhouse Landfill' in the subject title.

If you know of anyone who would like to be included on our distribution list, please pass on our contact email address above.