

HAVANT BOROUGH COUNCIL

Town & Country Planning Act 1990

Consultation on Planning Application

MEMORANDUM

From:	Environmental Health	To:	Development Control
Our Ref:	CONS/24/02231	Your Ref:	APP/24/00046
EH Case Officer Extn:	6374	Date:	08 August 2024
DC Case Officer:	Arleta Miszewska		
DC Case Officer Extn:	0 996		
Application Number:	APP/24/00046		
Site Address:	Farlington Redoubt, Portsdown Hill Road, Havant, PO9 1BW		
Proposed Development:	Hazardous Substance Consent for storage of Natural Gas and Biogas and operation of a Biomethane tanker injection facility and pressure reducing station.		

Observations / Comments:

It is noted that the need for the consent under application arises due to an intensification of use of the existing facility consented under APP/20/00077, with the additional on-site storage capacity entirely accommodated within the moveable container's represented by the road tankers. It is understood that no additional physical development at the site is proposed.

The consent is required for the concurrent visitation of 2 or more 9T tankers (up to 5, implicitly with no access for tankers to wait onsite but outside of the injection facility), however I note that no information has been provided to indicate the expected number of HGV movements to the site under typical, and exceptional/at-capacity scenario's.

With reference to the comments of the Highways Authority, in the unlikely event that development management has not already noted that it is implicit that the number of vehicle movements to the site will increase, I would highlight that this will be a natural consequence of the consent being sought, and the Highways Authority may require this additional detail.

From an air quality perspective, the number of HGV movements are extremely unlikely to be a material consideration in their own right. Environmental Health may seek an assessment where HGV trips exceed 100 (50 in/out) on an AADT basis (not peak visitation).

I have briefly reviewed the safeguards information contained within this application, and under the 2020 consent, and I am satisfied from a pollution control perspective that the operational controls and contingency plans will be adequate to control the risk. I note that the closest existing dwellings, and the closest residences under application, are all positioned >250m from the facility.

No concerns arise. My colleagues have also confirmed that there are no concerns from an amenity/nuisance perspective. No further comments are to be submitted by Environmental Health under separate cover. No objections.

Jonathan Driver
Environmental Control Officer