

Crouchlands, Lagoon 3

7 July 2022, 14.00pm

Zoom

Agenda

1. Introductions

Present at the meeting: -

CDC - Andrew Frost; Cllr. Janet Duncton; Cllr. Gareth Evans; Cllr. Adrian Moss; Fjola Stevens; Alison Stevens; Susan Taylor

Kirdford PC – Cllr. David Irwin; Lynne Brooks,

Plaistow and Ifold PC – Cllr. Paul Jordan; Catherine Nutting

Apologies were received from Cllr. Ileana Lintel

2. Emergency Planning update (Alison Stevens)

The minutes from the most recent multi agency meeting on 4th June have been circulated. This meeting followed a site visit in March 2022. The conclusion was that there is no significant difference from previous inspections. There is no difference to the risks that Lagoon 3 poses. Some minor changes to land were noted, but these were as expected.

Mr Irwin asked about the recent testing of the Lagoon's contents by the landowner. Alison Stevens stated that CDC understands that the results of that testing have been shared with the Environment Agency (EA). However, the Landowner conducted the testing, and it is unknown how the testing was undertaken and if it was compliant with sample testing standards / methodology. CDC understands that the EA will not put much weight on the results and not enabled the Landowner to rely upon the results when applying to spread the contents to land. Likewise, CDC will not hold give the results any credence.

3. Planning Issues update (Fjola Stevens)

The matter remains with CDC's specialist lawyers and CDC are liaising regularly. CDC should receive their final legal advice towards the end of July. They are unable to share details to avoid prejudicing their legal case / breaching rules of confidentiality. A meeting with the Parish Councils will be organised at the end of July / beginning of August to provide further update.

4. Questions from PC's

Cllr. Gareth Evans asked if Lagoon 3 would have an impact upon the various planning applications for the rest of the Crouchlands Farm site, especially the plans for the 'Rickman's Green Village'.

Andrew Frost answered that it was too early to take a view. The planning applications would require the full consideration of Officers in the normal way, and it would be inappropriate to provide an ill-advised "knee-jerk response" at this time.

Cllr. Adrian Moss said that when the application(s) do arrive, he hopes to see a special environmental review, as residents are concerned regarding the proximity of Lagoon 3 to the rest of the Crouchlands Farm site.

Fjola Stevens confirmed that an Environmental Scoping Report had already been received.

5. Date of next meeting

To be confirmed.