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Contaminated land in Glynneath

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Hi Lisa

I would in the first instance refer you to 2.1 of the NRW regulatory principles "Our first response will be to prevent harm to people and the environment from occurring or continuing and would then reference this chain of communication that includes information about the historic dumping at the Heol y Glyn landfill site,

We now have an extensive amount of further evidence in relation to this site which recently has had a large amount of contaminated soil exposed by the developer Enzo Homes that is almost certainly causing harm to the residents bordering the site.

With the COVID pandemic behind us I would ask that you please look into this case with a fresh perspective and with this in mind, would it be possible for my team, which now includes a global contamination expert to meet with yourself or other NRW senior enforcement officials in relation to the evidence we have now have available.

kind regards

Dai Richards, Chairman, Glynneath Residents Against Contamination

PS - please reply to the copied email address dairichardswales@gmail.com

----- Original Message -----

From: Harris, Lisa**To:** Dai Richards**Sent:** Friday, July 10, 2020 8:48 AM**Subject:** RE: chemicals dumped in Glynneath

Hi Dai,

I have forwarded your email to our Waste Regulation Team, hopefully someone will get back to you. If you ring our hotline with waste issues then those incidents will also go to that team in the first instance.

Regards,

Lisa

From: Dai Richards <dai@rugbyrelics.com>**Sent:** 09 July 2020 18:35**To:** Harris, Lisa <Lisa.Harris@cyfoethnaturiolcymru.gov.uk>**Subject:** chemicals dumped in Glynneath

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9 July 2020

Dear Lisa,

I understand that the NPT Council Planning Department have sent a consultation out to NRW about the site we previously talked about. I will be reporting the following historical incident to NRW plus other information over the telephone on the number you provided in the next few days. This information has already been provided to the NPTC Planning Department but they refuse to indicate whether or not they have passed it on to the correct organisation for dealing with this matter. I believe that this information may have bearing on your consultation so perhaps you would be kind enough to forward it to the correct department within your organisation.

regards - Dai Richards

Name and address: Nigel Taylor, 36 Brynhyfryd, Glynneath, SA11 5BA

Application No.- P2020/0195

Site address - Land South Of Heol Y Glyn Glynneath Neath.

Dear NPTC,

Due to the corona virus and the unavailability of the website & written letter options of placing a planning objection the following resident has asked me to object on their behalf.

Background info: Nigel's house overlooks the Enzo Development, his house is at the highest point in Brynhyfryd and he has a clear view over the 'tip' as he calls it. Nigel has been retired 18 years, he is a keen walker and is also inquisitive. I have videotaped the following evidence of deliberate tipping of industrial waste by the Cuddy Group onto the proposed development site. The following is a summary (not verbatim) of Nigel's testimony (the original testimony as previously stated has been digitally recorded and is on file, I have no reason to doubt his testimony having conversed with Nigel regularly for the last 5-8 years. There are certain elements of Nigel's testimony which I can corroborate, see below.

(Nigel Taylor statement) "I've been retired 18 years, the back of the house including my garden overlooks the tip as I am on top of Brynhyfryd Hill. I get up several times in the night to use the toilet. I have seen a number of lorries dumping in the pitch dark, also at one time with Cuddy and company they kept a machine over there, by day the Cuddy worker would turn up and unbury everything [meaning they would dig up the top of the previous day's hole just above what they had dumped the previous day]

I (Dai Richards am also witness to this type of activity, I cycle regularly down the Banwen Rd and I used to stop and watch the Cuddy' vehicles at work].

If we look at the following google satellite images from 2014 which are all the same image but with additional indicators added we will see the following.

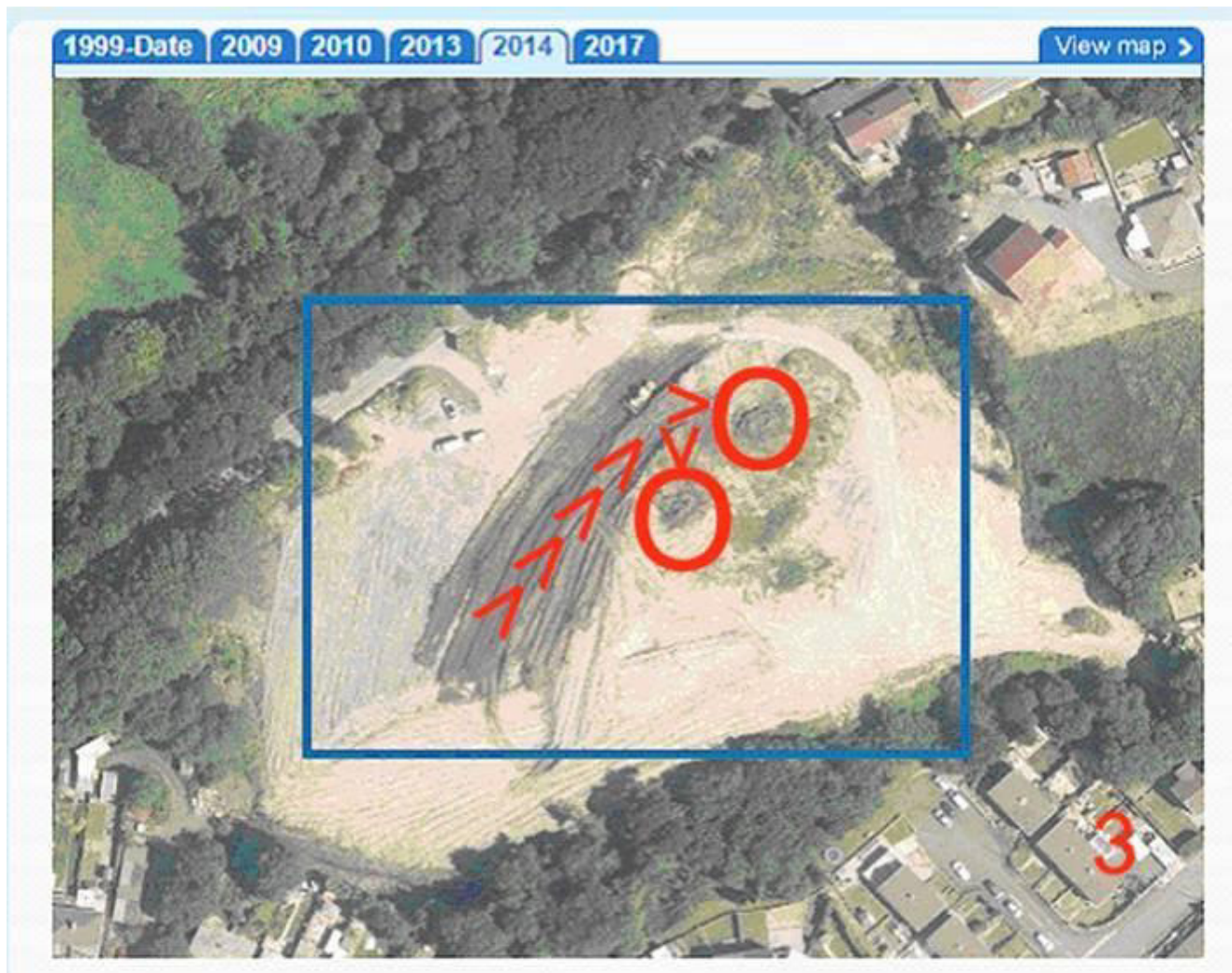
1 - Image one shows the Cuddy machine busy at work.

2 - Image two shows recently disturbed ground in two isolated spots in the tipped area.

3. Image three shows machine tracks to these isolated locations.







To continue with Nigel's Taylor's statement.....

"I've also been over there (to the proposed Enzo site) early in the morning and seen large metallic barrels containing what I believe to be asbestos, I am familiar with asbestos and I have seen broken bits pushed down into the ground. The barrels also contained chemicals and when the Cuddy machine driver turned up at 8.00am in the morning they were pushed into the ground. There were lorries during the day which were bringing stuff from I don't know where but they were burying all the waste. (I asked Nigel how far away he was from the barrels? He said). I kicked them and they were full Dai they were not empty.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION - It should be noted that local elderly people, the ones who have lived in the area for a number of years and are familiar with the site refer to the area of the Enzo Development as 'the tip'. Historically the land has been used as either a municipal or commercial dumping ground. Evidence gained includes eyewitness reports from the 84 year old son of the local refuse collector in the 1940s.

Objection info: Nigel would like to object to the application on the following grounds:

He is 100% certain that there is chemical waste buried at the site, he is an eyewitness to the illegal dumping of chemical waste.

The following images were recorded on 20/3/2020 by myself (Dai Richards) from a puddle of surface water on the Enzo site. They clearly show a chemical substance in the water. It should be noted that the land has remained unworked for 3-4 years.



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