To the Environment Agency and Cambridgeshire County Council.

Saxongate had further reports of a strong dustbin-like smell yesterday (as already advised we do not think it is related to IBA or IBAA). It has now been 16 days since this ongoing issue was first reported. It has caused significant distress to residents over a wide area. Some say it made them physically ill. We believe that all agencies know the source of the smell and the works are under permit from the EA. We think the works also fall under a CCC planning permit.

We ask the Environment Agency and Cambridgeshire County Council to formally confirm what the source of the smell is and which operator is responsible, also to explain why the issue has occurred and what steps are being taken to mitigate the issue and stop it repeating. If you are unwilling to provide any of this information we would like to understand why?

We ask our local councillors to also press for answers on this matter so the public can be better informed. Saxongate Residents Group will be making public statements during the week on this matter.

The only positive from this upsetting incident is that it has driven up our membership numbers. As an aside the smell of IBA(A) was also briefly detected yesterday but it is being masked by the organic dustbin stench to a large degree.

Please reply on this issue as a matter of urgency. Saxongate Residents Group