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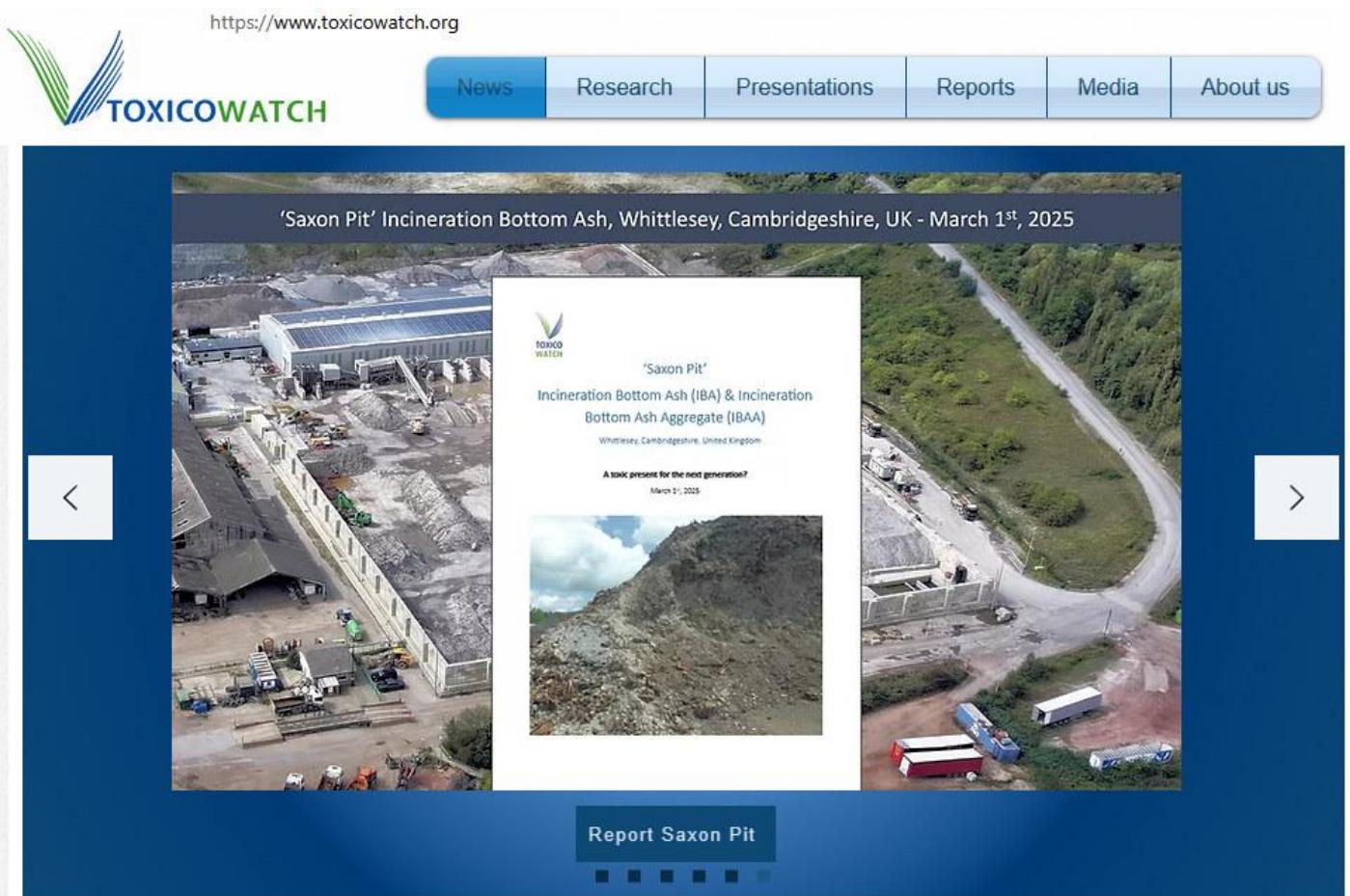
It has been distributed by the residents group 'Saxongate', their details can be found at the end of the article. As one of the 'four' local councillors that the Saxon Works lays within the ward of Whittlesey South – I have supported residents since 2017/18.

I encourage residents to contact one or more of the other three councillors to obtain what if any support they have given the residents – I would also ask, with the coming Country Council elections in May – What those standing have done, past, present and future for their electorate.

Saxongate is a Non-Political Resident Group – No councillors sit on their committee.

Very important Saxongate update

<https://www.toxicowatch.org>



The screenshot shows the Toxicowatch website with a navigation bar at the top. The logo 'TOXICO WATCH' is on the left, and the menu items are News, Research, Presentations, Reports, Media, and About us. The main content area features a large image of an industrial facility with piles of ash. A central callout box contains the following text:
"Saxon Pit"
Incineration Bottom Ash (IBA) & Incineration
Bottom Ash Aggregate (IBAA)
Whittlesey, Cambridgeshire, United Kingdom
A toxic present for the next generation?
March 5th, 2025
Below the image is a smaller inset photo of a steep, rocky hillside. At the bottom of the page is a blue button labeled "Report Saxon Pit".

Secondary use Incinerator Bottom Ash risks. A Key report issued by Saxongate

With the support of UKWIN Saxongate have commissioned a detailed report on the possible risks from the current use of Incinerator Bottom Ash Aggregate (IBAA) locally and in the UK. We think it may have national implications in terms of long-term pollution and health risks. The report was written for us by Toxico Watch Foundation which is a public benefit organisation based in the Netherlands.

At a common-sense level Toxic in must equal Toxic out until it is removed. This is maybe why the UK has rules and strict limitations of use (RPS247) for IBAA, but we already see that these rules are poorly enforced and get broken. There is no viable duty of care chain in our opinion.

The Netherlands looks to be 5-10 years+ ahead of us and they are now seeing problems with their direction of travel. Sadly, the UK appears to be accelerating down the same track. Building roads in the UK under the poorly enforced RPS247 is more like a linear landfill than a circular economy in our opinion. As the Dutch now have to build tourist attraction 'activity hills' to get rid of the stuff, vertical landfill might be more accurate for them.

Based on this information Saxongate thinks the Government should be showing an abundance of caution with better testing, monitoring and enforcement.



(RG Note : - This picture taken of 'waste' waiting to be processed was taken by myself when I was invited to visit the site in 2018 – it was taken with permission of the then site manager)
(This waste does not contain IBA or IBAA and is for illustration purposes)