

Saxon Works Industrial Area – Update After Cambs CCC Refuse Planning for Expansion.

Many are getting 'tied' of hearing/viewing the for-never ending issues surrounding the Saxon Works. – However, if you live or are affected by this Industrial Area, you would think otherwise. Again, I make no apology, **I am The Only Councillor, who gives regular updates** on this area of concern and am very grateful to Alan Bessant and his team for providing all of us with the important information that he does.

So – I accept that the area in question has been designated a waste and minerals recycling area, it has various permissions to do so. I have no issue with anyone, provided 'they' stick to the rules and conditions, which at times has been very questionable. (Jenkinson's for example)

We rely on a multiple government organisations to oversee the area is functioning as it should be. It is only very recently that these organisations have 'ramped up' their involvement.

There is nothing wrong with Recycling, and it is good in most respects as it saves tipping into landfill.

Finally on my bit, Mr. Lewis Johnson (Jnr) attended the CCC planning meeting this week, and came over as being a 'Good Neighbour' – he claimed they had invested over £18M into the Saxon Project – very commendable, very few actual 'local jobs' and claimed also they had a robust means of complaint procedure.
If Mr. Johnson had received the **2,800 emails I have received**, he may have a different view.



Please Mr. Johnson spread a 'Little Happiness into Whittlesey, Not Dust, Not Noise, Not Odors and Not Pollution.'

Below lates from Saxongate (Two Minute Read)

- 1) Public health report commits to a level of monitoring and reporting and multiagency committee led approach. EA to deploy enhanced dust monitor.
- 2) All agencies, especially EA are not recognising some chemical risks or need for chemical testing (perhaps driven by EA stance) Saxongate have open complaints with EA and will press those issues.
- 3) There maybe third parties interested in some testing for case studies.
- 4) Johnsons remain under investigation for the IBA storage (planning breach)
- 5) Johnsons are under investigation for surface water/ wedge pits.
- 6) Middle level need to clarify discharge (prosecution aided by FDC)
- 7) EA need to publish discharge permit and should be pushed on the 'modelling!' used to reframe the Jan 2025 heavy metal results - again funding would help third party analysis.
- 8) Johnsons application showed a current breach of vehicle movements, at what point will CCC now investigate that / Johnsons should be meeting current planning permission.
- 9) Multiple drone footage shows 'sealed' building 1 doors locked open which appears to be a permit breach.
- 10) Redundant silos in JARL compound should be checked to confirm if historic fly-ash / other contamination was left in them.
- 11) Non- conforming waste prosecution should be chased up. Eastern Buttress, also car storage if encroaching.
- 12) EMWM metal recycling - follow up on start date/ enhanced monitoring and discharge conditions, including liaison group.
- 13) Keep an eye on Southern Buttress progress and non-conforming waste decision (EA).

14) Confirm how victory pit water level is managed.

15) Find out why Johnsons WRA is damaged a second time, repair duration, likelihood of a repeat and risk to ground water (preferably independent inspection). Also will this curtail or reduce operations and for how long (might impact monitoring results).

16) EA are in talks with Johnson's to allow discharge via lagoon. How to respond or stop that?

17) Why is promised enhanced work on attenuation pond system not started (fallen off everyone's radar) and what condition is the current much mentioned 'reed dead' in?

To what degree does anyone want to help Saxongate or need input from Saxongate in these areas?

The above was sent by Mr. Alan Bessant – A Committee Member of The Saxongate Residents Group.

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