Wednesday, 26 October 2016

Notification of Response to Submissions to the Modification Request at Edmondson Park South (remediation works)

Hello Fiona

I have referred the matter to our Environmental Health Staff for comment. Their advice is that they do not support the proposal. The following comments have been provided:

The above was submitted subsequent to Liverpool City Council's submission raising concern with the modification application proposing to dispose contaminated fill 5m below existing ground level.

JBS&G argues that the cap and containment strategy allows for minimisation of exposure risks of both on-site and off-site sensitive human populations to asbestos and biological contaminants in the short and long term and to apply principles of ecologically sustainable development.

In addition, JBS&G outlines that the remediation strategy of cap and contain is 'considered to be the most appropriate at the site'. Council continues to raise concern with approximately 30,000m3 of contaminated materials being stored 5 metres below ground level. JBS&G have argued that the proposed remediation minimise exposure risks, reduces waste disposal and fill import requirements, and minimises the number of heavy vehicle movements. However, these only address short term risks and doesn't factor long term risks to the human health and environment.

Therefore, Environment and Health of Liverpool City Council does not support On-site contamination or capping of contaminated soil is not permitted.

Council staff would be available to discuss if needed.

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