

FAO Kevin Hughes

21/08/2018

Dear Kevin,

TOWN AND COUNTRY PLANNING ACT 1990
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BWRIAD / PROPOSAL:
**PLANNING APPLICATION FOR THE DEVELOPMENT OF AN ORIENTATED STRAND
BOARD PRODUCTION FACILITY**
LLEOLIAD / LOCATION:
Kronospan Ltd, Holyhead Road, Chirk, Wrexham

Thank you for consulting Natural Resources Wales (NRW) about the above, which was received on 09/07/2018.

NRW does not object to the proposal. We would make the following comments:

Waste Regulation

All waste generated or used during the construction should be dealt with in accordance with the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 and Waste (England and Wales) Regulations 2011. There are other options which could be utilised relating to excavated material, for example the CL:AIRE code of practice, which could be considered by the applicant.

Any wastes generated as part of the proposed building works are subject to the of the Environmental Permitting Regulations 2016, and therefore must be transported to an appropriately permitted site via a licenced waste carrier. Our public register holds the information for permitted waste facilities and waste carriers in Wales, and the Environment Agency's public registered can be checked for sites and waste carriers in England. Regard should be given to the waste hierarchy when producing and recycling/disposing of waste.
<https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/guidance-on-applying-the-waste-hierarchy>

Industry Regulation

The applicant should give due consideration to the requirements of The Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2016 as they apply to this activity, including

but not limited to the Best Available Techniques Reference (BREF) document for Wood-based Panels Production’

Air Quality Assessment

We note the Air Quality Assessment for OSB (March 2018). Part 11.3.5 states correctly that the screening distance for road traffic assessments is 200m, and Chirk Castle SSSI is further away and does not need to be assessed. But it does assess the cumulative impact on the River Dee SSSI. Part 11.3.4 indicates that the greatest contribution from road traffic on the River Dee SSSI is 0.5%. In part 11.3.5 the highest contribution from the operation is <0.2%, so the combined total is below 1% of the NOx critical level. Part 11.3.3 indicates that the total NOx is below 70% of the critical level, so the combined total of NOx is not likely to be significant on the designated features of the SSSIs. All that is for annual mean NOx for road traffic.

With regards daily mean NOx part 11.4.4 indicates that the road traffic and the process contributions from the development are below 10% of the daily critical level for NOx. This is not going to be significant.

The above comments are without prejudice to the permit application and we reserve the right to alter our opinions if new information becomes available.

Contaminated Land

The applicant should consider NRW guidance on land contamination matters available at the following website link.

<https://www.claire.co.uk/component/phocadownload/category/27-wall-documents?download=630:development-of-land-affected-by-contamination-a-guide-for-developers>

Pollution Prevention

Please refer to PPG6, working at construction and demolition sites:

<https://www.sepa.org.uk/media/60125/ppg-6-working-at-construction-and-demolition-sites.pdf>

Any work which is to take place should be done so with pollution prevention in mind. Pollution prevention advice and guidance can be found via this link:

<http://www.netregs.org.uk/environmental-topics/pollution-prevention-guidelines-ppgs-and-replacement-series/guidance-for-pollution-prevention-gpps-full-list/>

Should any pollution occur during the operational phase, Natural Resources Wales should be notified via the incident hotline – 03000 65 3000.

The applicant should be advised that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure that they secure all other permits/consents relevant to their development.

Please do not hesitate to contact us if you require further information or clarification on any of the above.

Our comments above only relate specifically to matters that are included on our checklist “Natural Resources Wales and Planning Consultations” (March 2015) which is published on our website: (<https://naturalresources.wales/planning-and-development/planning-and-development/?lang=en>). We have not considered potential effects on other matters and do not rule out the potential for the proposed development to affect other interests, including environmental interests of local importance. The applicant should be advised that, in addition to planning permission, it is their responsibility to ensure that they secure all other permits/consents relevant to their development.

Yn gywir / Yours sincerely,

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