

MEETING NOTES

Wednesday, 09 February 2022 at 5:30pm	Chaired By: Brian Oates (SUEZ)
Online – Teams	Note Taker: Chris Watkins (SUEZ)

ATTENDEES

MEMBER NAME	12/02/20	12/08/20	14/10/20	10/02/21	14/04/21	09/06/21	11/08/21	13/10/21	09/02/22
David Banner (DB)	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Robin Dzedins (RD)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	No	Yes
Tony O'Hara (TOH)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Halina Gwizdzil (HG)	Yes	No	No	No	No	No	No	No	No
Vernadette Dickson(VD)	No	Yes	Yes	No	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes
Vandana Rama (VR)	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes	Yes

GUESTS AND STAFF

Mark Globan, Chris Watkins, Lachlan James, Adele Shalevski

APOLOGIES

David Banner, Bianca Sigismundi

RECORD OF DISCUSSION

1 WELCOME AND AGENDA

2. COVID update
3. Engagement and reports
4. General site updates
5. Landfill Gas
6. Leachate
7. SRC Cleanfill lot 4
8. EPA – update
9. AOB

The minutes of the previous meeting were moved and seconded with no comments.

2 COVID UPDATE

- Suez provided a brief COVID update.
- TOH noted that he would prefer face to face meetings.
- RD noted that she prefers the online format.
- SUEZ stated that the online format is necessary to continue at present with ongoing COVID risks. The intention is to revert to face to face meetings as soon as possible

3 ENGAGEMENT AND REPORTS

- A graph was displayed showing a variable trend in reports received.
- VD asked if a comparison with previous years could be presented at future meetings.

ACTION: SUEZ to provide a graph that compares current trends to the previous year.

- VD noted that there had been some smell in Lynbrook but it had improved compared to previous times.
- VD requested that an aerial of the site be presented showing the cells.

ACTION: SUEZ to provide an aerial with the cell outlines marked.

4 GENERAL SITE UPDATES

- Filling continues into cell 13 as previous.
- Cell construction works continue as previous.
- The transfer station is open to trade customers only, in line with the current lockdown rules.
- The Veolia/SUEZ merger has been subject to a delay with the ACCC decision with timing to be confirmed. Uncertain of final dates at this point.
- SUEZ stated that there would be no change to the commitment or approach to community engagement.
- VD noted concerns regarding the company change and asked if this would lead to difficulties.
- SUEZ noted that the site management will remain the same. SUEZ recognises that there is further room for improvement. For example – the Community Engagement role, frequency of updates etc.
- RD asked if the Engagement Officer position is still vacant.
- SUEZ clarified it is. The role is unique and needs to be filled by the correct person. The commitment to engagement remains.
- TOH asked regarding the transfer from SUEZ to Veolia.
- SUEZ noted that the purchase occurred on 31st January. Veolia has taken over SUEZ globally, excluding SUEZ Water. There are some divestments required by competition authorities (including NSW landfills for example).

5 LANDFILL GAS

- SUEZ reiterated that it values the feedback from residents. There have been fewer complaints than previously, but they are still being received. Most seem to relate to landfill gas (LFG).
- Additional LFG wells have been installed into cell 13. This is beyond best practice and also beyond the commitment in the filling plan presented to EPA.
- The sidewall drainage layer is difficult to manage, as it presents a pathway for gas to escape. SUEZ lined the edges of this with sacrificial plastic and extraction lines and it appears to be an improvement.

6 LEACHATE

- 28ML of leachate has been discharged since the last meeting
- The total discharge for 2021 was 63ML.
- Pond discharges continue regularly, with pond 2 discharging at present. 5ML discharged in 2022 to date commencing today and C also ready to discharge.
- No odour impact was observed from refilling the new ponds with leachate.
- There was discussion around the process of refilling ponds with leachate following a discharge. SUEZ has been managing this process with care and has not noted any odour offsite as a result of it.
- VD requested that SUEZ notify the CRG when refilling of pond 1 or 2 commences.

ACTION: SUEZ to notify the CRG when refilling of pond 1 or 2 commences.

7 SRC CLEANFILL LOT 4

- SUEZ presented some details of the lot 4 cleanfill proposal that was discussed at the last meeting.
- It was reiterated to the group that this is the same activity occurring at present, but on the adjacent lot. The external access is unchanged and this is not landfill.
- It was noted that this activity will need planning permission for the lot 4 area. There is also no plan for amendments to volumes received.
- SUEZ made note of the new regulatory structure within which the SUEZ-ResourceCo business will operate. SUEZ has submitted an application to EPA for a permit and is awaiting a response.
- VD asked questions:
 - 1. (to SUEZ) – how long will it take to fill lot 4?
 - SUEZ – the areas are low and need to be worked through. The current permit is until 2040 on the adjacent lot. It may take 10 years to fill it. There should be no more truck movements that at present. The area is labelled as a site of state significance (SSS) and a resource recovery hub. The vision for the area is with a complementary resource recovery activity.
 - 2. (to VR, representing Casey Council): what will the area be in the long term?
 - VR – lots of work going on at present around land use and this is not finalised. The SSS status is noted, as are buffers around the facility.

8 EPA – UPDATE

- EPA provided a brief update. The responsible officers for the site are now Dennis Catubig and Adele Shalevski.

9 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

- SUEZ to send invite for the next meeting electronically, assuming COVID restrictions remain unchanged.
- SUEZ raised the future of the CRG and plans to improve engagement. The intention is to engage a third-party communication consultant to maintain a higher cadence of engagement with this group. This will include assistance with agendas, minutes and management of the group. This model currently works in similar circumstances elsewhere and has proven to be very effective.
- VD stated that this is a good idea and it's good to see SUEZ staff able to concentrate on the technical detail of operation.
- TOH noted that the original committee used to be facilitated by a third party anyway and this is his preferred model.
- SUEZ noted that the terms of reference are old, and it is likely worth revisiting these.

ACTION: SUEZ to include this process as a dedicated agenda item going forward.

- RD stated that it is important that there are enough regular members attending.
- VD noted that CRG conversations are relayed back to the Lynbrook Residents' Association.
- RD stated that more members are needed and the third-party may be able to assist with recruiting more people to join.
- VD stated that the LRA may be able to assist with additional members.
- RD noted that people haven't been angry lately and fewer are interested as a result. SUEZ agreed that recruitment of members is necessary. It was acknowledged that engagement and site operation has improved since CRG commencement. SUEZ is committed to continuing the dialogue.

ACTION: SUEZ to add agenda item for member recruitment.

- VD noted a lack of engagement from MWRRG.
- SUEZ noted that the MWRRG body is changing in July.

ACTION: SUEZ to request attendance from a MWRRG representative at a future CRG meeting.

Next meeting scheduled for 6th April.

MEETING CLOSED 6:55pm

ACTION TRACKER

Item	Description	Action	Due
11	SUEZ to invite MWRRG to present RE: the Hub and Development Plans at a future meeting.	SUEZ	2022
3	SUEZ to provide a graph that compares current trends to the previous year.	SUEZ	Next meeting
3	SUEZ to provide an aerial with cells marked	SUEZ	Next meeting
6	SUEZ to notify the CRG when refilling of pond 1 or 2 commences.	SUEZ	As required
9	SUEZ to include the CRG update and member recruitment as an agenda item going forward.	SUEZ	Next meeting

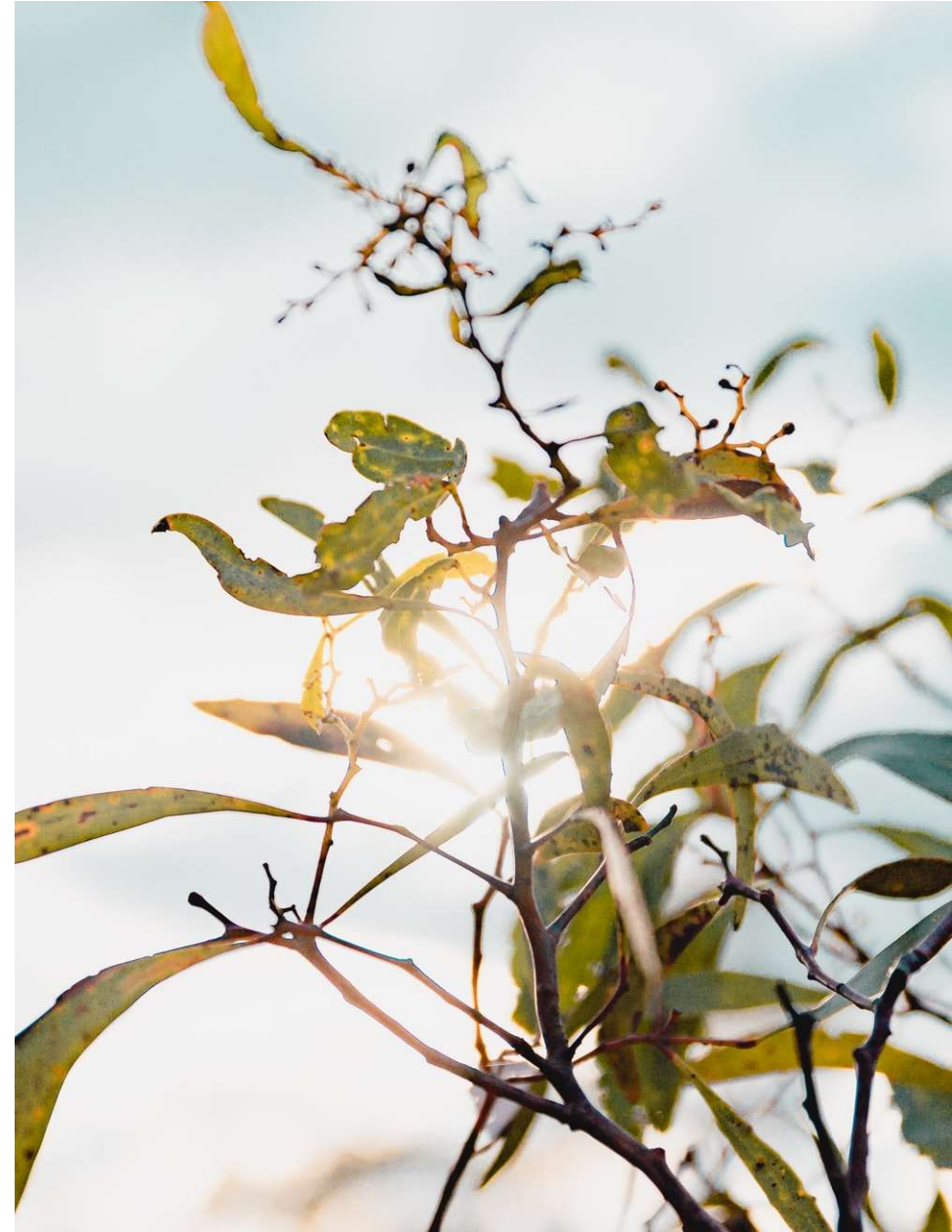
SRC Lot 4 Cleanfill



EPA



UPDATE



Any Other Business

⇒ CRG format and third party

⇒ Next meeting provisionally 6th April 2022



THANK YOU

