



Minutes

Name of meeting	REGULATORY COMMITTEE
Date and time	MONDAY, 25 FEBRUARY 2013 COMMENCING AT 10.00 AM
Venue	COUNCIL CHAMBER, COUNTY HALL, NEWPORT, ISLE OF WIGHT
Present	Cllrs Richard Hollis (Chairman), Jonathan Bacon, Reg Barry, Paul Fuller, John Hobart, Susan Scoccia, Arthur Taylor,
Officers Present	Amanda Gregory, Duncan MacDonald, Julie Martin, Bill Murphy, Matthew Northard
Apologies	Cllrs George Cameron, Vanessa Churchman, Julie Jones-Evans, Margaret Webster, David Williams
Public Participants	Julie Hill, Richard Hughes, Jacqueline Hunt, David Jaggar, James Luke, Simon Walker (Objectors) David Marsh (Agent)

23. **[Declarations of Interest](#)**

Councillor Reg Barry declared a personal interest in Minute 24, as he knew one of the objectors.

Councillor Paul Fuller declared a personal interest in Minute 24, as he knew some of the objectors, was a resident of Northwood and a member of Northwood Parish Council.

Councillor Jonathan Bacon declared a personal interest in Minute 24, as he knew one of the objectors.

Councillor Richard Hollis declared a personal interest in Minute 24, as he knew some of the objectors.

24. **Report of the Head of Planning and Regulatory Services**

[To determine an application by Eurovia Roadstone Limited under the Environmental Permitting \(England And Wales\) Regulations 2010, for Part B Local Authority Pollution Prevention and Control Permit, to operate a Roadstone Coating Plant at Medina Wharf, Arctic Road, Cowes, Isle of Wight](#)

The site was visited by members of the Regulatory Committee on Friday, 22 February 2013.

The Chairman advised members of the public that the application had not been pre-determined in any shape or form.

The Local Member, Cllr Roger Mazillius, spoke in objection to this application.

The Regulatory Services Manager outlined the general background of the permitting regime and advised that permits were normally determined by officer delegation. The Local Authority regulated Part B which was applicable only to air quality.

The application for a permit should normally be determined within three months of the application being submitted. As that time period had now passed the applicant had agreed to an extension.

Members were advised that air quality monitoring had been taken on the Isle of Wight but not specifically within the Medina Valley. It was noted that Department for Environment, Food and Rural Affairs had signed off the air monitoring report.

There was some question with regard to mainland authorities and if there had been problems associated with those plants. The Committee was told that no regulation had been taken, their compliance history was satisfactory.

The Committee discussed the high rates of asthma that were reported in both Cowes and East Cowes highlighting the possible increase in pollutants. Members were reminded that Director of Public Health had stated that the site was unlikely to have an impact on public health.

A proposal to refuse the application was made. In compliance with the Council's Constitution a named vote was taken as the decision was contrary to officer recommendation.

For (3)

Cllrs Jonathan Bacon, Reg Barry, Paul Fuller.

Against (4)

Cllrs John Hobart, Richard Hollis, Susan Scoccia, Arthur Taylor.

Members thought there was insufficient information available with regard to air quality monitoring. They believed that air quality monitoring should take place within the proposed site prior to any works that may be undertaken. A baseline figure would then be derived from which any further monitoring could be based. The monitoring should test for various pollutants as set out in the table on page 11 of the report, attached to and forming part of these minutes, for an initial period of three months.

A proposal to defer the application to enable further monitoring to be undertaken was made. In compliance with the Council's Constitution a named vote was taken as the decision was contrary to officer recommendation.

For (5)

Cllrs Reg Barry, John Hobart, Richard Hollis, Susan Scoccia, Arthur Taylor.

Against (2)

Cllrs Jonathan Bacon, Paul Fuller.

RESOLVED :

- (i) THAT the application be deferred to enable air quality monitoring to be taken, by the applicant, for nitrogen dioxide, particles (PM₁₀) (gravimetric) and sulphur dioxide, on the site for an initial period of three months.
- (ii) THAT that the results of the monitoring will be reported back to committee after completion.
- (iii) THAT if the results indicate any exceedence of the air quality objectives a further 3 months monitoring shall take place and reported back to the Committee after completion.

CHAIRMAN