

RECORD OF SITE INSPECTION

HUNTER AND CENTRAL COAST REGIONAL PLANNING PANEL

BRIEFING DETAILS

BRIEFING DATE / TIME	Wednesday, 21 June 2023, 2:10pm to 3pm
LOCATION	Summerhill Waste Management Centre

BRIEFING MATTER

PPSHCC-134 – Newcastle – DA2022/00572 - 141 Minmi Road, Wallsend - Organics Processing Facility - Summerhill Waste Management Centre

PANEL MEMBERS

IN ATTENDANCE	Tony McNamara, Roberta Ryan and John Tate
APOLOGIES	Alison McCabe (Chair), Jason Dunn
DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	John Mackenzie, Peta Winney-Baartz, Elizabeth Adamczyk and Carol Duncan

OTHER ATTENDEES

COUNCIL ASSESSMENT STAFF	Damian Jaeger and Priscilla Emmett
DEPARTMENT	Apology - Leanne Harris
APPLICANT	Andrew Ball and Elfie Blackburn

KEY ISSUES DISCUSSED

- The background of the site and a description of organic waste and how it is proposed to arrive on site. The applicant showed a video and a PowerPoint presentation.
- The timeframes involved for the processing of the organic waste and physical location for the processing activities – this is all undercover. The design has included capacity for overflow in peak times such as summer.
- Equipment involved in the process.
- The EIS and compliance with the SEARS.
- Traffic impacts – access and operational traffic.
- Odour – process operates under negative pressure and odour is at the forefront of the design. Closest receiver is 620m to the North. Sensitivity modelling has been completed.
- One submission of objection received from notification process.
- Community consultation – drop in sessions held for the community and 1350 postcards sent out.
- Leachate system on the site.
- Demand for organic products at the end of the process.
- Environmental Protection Licence – operating hours and truck deliveries.

TENTATIVE DETERMINATION DATE SCHEDULED FOR August 2023**Planning Panels Secretariat**

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