

# WALLEYS QUARRY

## PRESS INFORMATION

**Date: 17<sup>th</sup> June 2021**

**Title: Weekly Update**

In a continuance of our commitment to help investigate and resolve the current situation, we have this week been working through our action plan from the Environmental agency. So that we can keep our community updated on progress, we are publishing weekly updates on the community engagement page of our website.

<https://walleysquarry.co.uk/>

Throughout our businesses it is part of usual operating practices that we receive inspection visits from the Environment Agency. During these visits, trained officers inspect the facility against any number of conditions set out in our environmental permit. These visits can lead to the preparation of an action plan if required.

These are agreed in conjunction with the regulator and detailed as 'points to address' and review in and are a standard process for regulating and operating waste management facilities, similar to the action plan we are progressing for the Walleys facility at the moment.

The recent Environmental Action Plan agreed with the EA covers areas such as the checking and ongoing surveying of gas infrastructure to ensure it is sealed and operating effectively, gas collection compound safety inspection and administrative elements relating to environmental controls operating at the site.

The current action plan comprises actions relating to:

- Reviewing our Dust Management Plan to reflect the proximity of the new housing development on the old scrapyard site.
- Carrying out site surveys using specialist detection equipment called FID (Flame Ionization Detector) to monitor the effectiveness of engineering infrastructure for gas management.
- The onsite gas management company have been requested to review the gas management and electricity generation engine compound and identify any improvements needed.
- Schedule flux box surveys later in the year to review the effectiveness of engineering infrastructure for gas management. Flux box is a type of specialist detection equipment.

As we complete the actions, these are reviewed with the Environment Agency. We will continue to communicate with the community regarding our progress against these actions to ensure all relevant parties are kept informed of the outcome and ongoing activity.

The next Walleys Quarry Weekly Update will be issued to press and published on our website on 25th June 2021.

**ENDS**

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**Notes to editors:**

Website: <https://www.walleysquarry.co.uk>

**About Walleys Quarry:**

Walleys Quarry in Newcastle-Under-Lyme, Staffordshire is a landfill site, offering safe disposal of waste that cannot otherwise be re-used or recycled.