TPL Community Liaison Group Meeting.

2nd February 2021

6.00pm – Johnsonville Community Centre.

**Attendees**

John Taylor (TPL Plant Manager)

David Stephen (Resident)

 Carol Beam (Resident)

**Apologies**

David Clark

David Lawrence

James Luty WRC

**Welcome**

Items from the last meeting

Loud noise at night/morning - This was found to be the starting up of the concrete plant and the hammering of their cement silos. The concrete plant was asked to address this issue and it was John’s understanding that they had.

Lights at night - All outside lights were looked at, and where possible, tilted so that they didn’t reflect/impact on neighbors. John stated that only a few could be moved as lighting was required to unloading, washing of stock as well as general road and walking areas for safety.

Discussions

TPL have engaged Pattle Delamore Partners to rewrite their ROMP to make it more readable and to flow better. This will help people on site gain a better understanding of the document and TPL’s commitment to controlling odour around site. This should be completed early May.

John stated that he was disappointed that there were only 2 locals attend the meeting and asked if there were better ways to get people along. David suggested that most locals including himself were busy people and that TPL should put notices of meeting out 4 weeks in advance. This was agreed.

TPL is well advanced in its building of a new loadout facilities and a new Dematic freezing and sorting system. This project is to make TPL more labour efficient and is to allow more product to be frozen on site and truck directly to the port. TPL is currently trucking 80% of its carton product to Fielding to freeze, stop and load into containers for shipping overseas.

 Hour of work

Taylor Preston is running 2 shifts on small stock slaughter and is running one shift on beef slaughter. Both chains are working 5.5 days.

Boning rooms are also working 5.5 days/ week but TPL have not been able to get sufficient labour to put on a beef boning room night shift.

Maintenance

The bio filter which is the main source for treating odour from sites bark has started to compost. This means that the bark is breaking down and the pressure across the bed has been steadily rising. John stated that on the 10th February TPL would dig out 2/3 on the break and replace it with new brea and that this would be done while the bio filter was running. This work will not impact of neighbors, but would be monitored while the work is carried out. In the event of an odour notification the work would be stopped and a review carried out to see if there was any other way of carrying out the work.

Work will take around about 7 days.

Complaints

Only 8 complaint had been received in the past 12 months.

David made the point that they still smelt TPL, but he had given up on complaining unless he was having people around and an outside BBQ.

Draft odour management submission

David presented a draft odour management submission he had been working on and said that he would be presenting it to the GWRC in the coming weeks once he had completed the document.

Meeting closed 7.30pm