



Department
for Environment
Food & Rural Affairs



Llywodraeth Cymru
Welsh Government

26th February 2015

Dear Consultee,

Consultation on the draft Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2015

1. Defra and the Welsh Government have published a consultation on proposals to enhance measures to tackle waste crime and entrenched poor performance in the waste sector. Part I of the consultation seeks your comments on strengthening the regulators' powers in respect of **all types of facilities** that operate under an environmental permit. The proposed enhancements broaden the scope of the regulators' powers to prevent or remedy pollution.
2. Part II of this document is a call for evidence on other measures to tackle waste crime and entrenched poor performance in the waste management industry and seeks your views on measures to strengthen the demonstration of competence to operate a site; require the clean-up of abandoned and orphaned waste management sites; adopt fixed penalties for fly-tipping; and measures to protect landowners/ landlords from the impacts of waste crime. You are invited to comment.
3. Further information and the consultation document can be found on-line at:
https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste/enhanced_powers_to_tackle_waste_crime
4. Alternatively, please contact us using the details in paragraph 4 below.

Responses

5. You can respond in one of three ways:

- **Online** by completing the questionnaire at Citizen Space (Citizen Space is an on-line consultation tool)
https://consult.defra.gov.uk/waste/enhanced_powers_to_tackle_waste_crime
- **Email** Waste.RegulationandCrime@defra.gsi.gov.uk or waste@wales.gsi.gov.uk
- **Post** to: Waste Regulation and Crime
Defra
Area 2B
17 Smith Square
London
SW1P 3JR

or

Waste & Resource Efficiency Division
Department for Natural Resources
Welsh Government
Cathays Park
Cardiff
CF10 3NQ

6. Responses should be received by **6 May 2015**.

Consultation Principles

7. This consultation is in line with the Consultations Principles found at:
<http://www.cabinetoffice.gov.uk/resource-library/consultation-principles-guidance>.

Confidentiality

8. When this consultation ends, we will hold copies of the responses here in Defra and they will be made available on request. Members of the public may ask for a copy of responses under freedom of information legislation.
9. If you do not want your response - including your name, contact details and any other personal information - to be publicly available, please say so clearly in writing when you send your response to the consultation. Please note, if your computer automatically includes a confidentiality disclaimer, that won't count as a confidentiality request.
10. Please explain why you need to keep details confidential. We will take your reasons into account if someone asks for this information under freedom of

information legislation. But, because of the law, we cannot promise that we will always be able to keep those details confidential.

11. We will summarise all responses and place this summary on our website at www.gov.uk/defra. This summary will include a list of names of organisations that responded but not people's personal names, addresses or other contact details.

Comments and Complaints

12. To submit any comments or complaints about the consultation process, please contact:

Defra Consultation Co-ordinator,
Room 629
9 Millbank
C/O 17 Smith Square
London
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or email: consultation.coordinator@defra.gsi.gov.uk

13. Thank you for your help in this matter. If you have any queries, please contact us as above.

Yours faithfully

Waste Regulation and Crime Team
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