

What the SayNo2MickGeorge Committee has been doing...

- Met extensively with our HDC and CCC Councillors and with senior officers at both authorities to explain our opposition
- Liaised regularly with Hemingfords Parish Councils and with representatives from Godmanchester and Fenstanton
- Monitored the successful opposition to an extremely large Planning Application by MGL in Grantham which concluded with a dismissal (ie rejection) at a Public Appeal in March 2018
- Created a team of Ambassadors (see 'How You Can Help')
- Researched the history of previous applications
- Secured Status as 'Statutory Consultee' when any application is made
- Liaised with businesses adjoining the site whose activities are threatened
- Obtained support from all Candidates at recent HDC Elections
- Obtained Counsels opinion that Hemingford Golf Club is 'Greenfield'
- Supported Hemingford Abbots Parish Council's application for site to be given 'Community Asset Status'
- Engaged specialist lawyers, traffic and environmental consultants
- Prepared with our advisors submission for Hemingford Golf Club to remain excluded from list of approved waste and recycling sites (see 'How You Can Help')

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June 2018 Newsletter

One year on and we are still waiting for Mick George Limited to submit their planning application to build the largest Waste Recycling Plant in Cambridgeshire on the Hemingfords Golf Course.

When an application is made we will only have 21 days to respond, so the SayNo2MickGeorge Committee has been busy preparing its case.

WHY WE OPPOSE THE INTENDED PLANNING APPLICATION....

- Within the proposed Hemingford Waste Recycling Plant just one of the buildings will be 13 times the size of the new Morrisons site in St Ives and the height of 3 London buses on top of each other. The current Cambridgeshire County Council Waste and Mineral Plan has identified and approved 33 suitable sites for recycling waste in the county. The Hemingford Golf Course isn't one of them.
- There would be considerable danger to road users leaving the villages to travel towards Godmanchester and Huntingdon as a result of bad sight lines, gradient and curvature of the access road. There is also real concern about the number lorries entering and leaving the site every day. More than 450 heavy lorries will be back and forth on the roads during a 24 hour period. This will create treacherous conditions, especially during the dark winter months with ice and mud on the roads.
- The site will operate from early in the morning to late at night, seven days a week causing light pollution and noise pollution. Vibration and dust from concrete crushing and wood pulverising will also have an impact on the surrounding area.
- If Mick George Limited get permission, however restricted initially, the company has a history of increasing the scale of the operation - introducing more and more processes and wastes as time goes on.

HOW CAN YOU HELP

The waste and minerals plan for Cambridgeshire is being revised and updated. The consultation period runs to the 26th June and whilst we will be responding we would ask you all to send in your comments about the Mick George Limited proposed development. Please fill in the attached form and in comments you can object to the waste recycling plant proposed by Mick George Ltd for the Hemingfords Golf Course PE28 9HQ being included in the Waste and Minerals Plan. Please write in your own words but things to think about are:

- **Wrong Location - Greenfield site near historic villages with numerous listed buildings**
- **Existing capacity in the area at Ellington and St Ives - Room to expand at Ellington without any local impact**
- **Traffic concerns - 400 HCV movements per day on a poor access road, a long way from the new A14 trunk road**
- **Up to 100 jobs at local businesses would be under threat if development goes ahead**

Become a Campaign Ambassador: Ambassadors help keep local people informed on action being taken to oppose the application. They visit neighbours and keep the committee up to date on the concerns of local residents. Our 13 Ambassadors are listed on our website.

Volunteer your knowledge, expertise and time: Many people in the villages have relevant knowledge and expertise in areas such as planning, environmental law, marketing and campaigning and we are keen to benefit from everyone's involvement.

Make a donation: You can support the campaign financially to help pay for lawyers and planning experts who are being used to fight the proposed development. You can get more details on our website.