

The Planning Inspectorate Our ref: AC/2023/131481/03-L01

Temple Quay House Your ref: EN010110

Temple Quay
Bristol Date: 4 August 2023

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Dear Sir/Madam

DEVELOPMENT CONSENT ORDER FOR THE MEDWORTH ENERGY FROM WASTE COMBINED HEAT AND POWER FACILITY - EXAMINING AUTHORITY QUESTIONS 3

PP.3.1

In [REP5-055] and in response to ExQ2 PP.2.7, the Environment Agency stated that "consideration of government targets is not a requirement under the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulation 2016 and will therefore not form part of our ongoing environmental permit determination". Although the ExA does not dispute this, the ExA asks the Environment Agency to confirm the Government's target to halving the waste that ends up at landfill or incineration by 2042 is adopted and in place.

Environment Agency Answer

The Environmental Targets (Residual Waste) (England) Regulations 2023 came into force in January 2023. This long-term target is indeed to halve the waste that ends up at landfill or incineration by 2042. More specifically, by 31st December 2042 the total mass of residual waste per capita in England will not exceed 287 kilograms, which is half the 2019 level of 574 kilograms per capita. Residual waste is defined as waste that originated in England which is sent to landfill, put through incineration, or used in energy recovery in the UK or overseas. Further information may be found in the Environmental Improvement Plan 2023.

Yours sincerely,



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