Date: 19 February 2024

Our ref: 463495 Rivenhall IWWF

Your ref: EN010138

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Dear Sir/Madam,

NSIP Reference Name / Code: Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility / EN010138

Title: Natural England's comments in respect of the Extension of Rivenhall Integrated Waste Management Facility, as promoted by Indavor Rivenhall Limited.

Examining authority's submission deadline 19 February 2024

Natural England is a non-departmental public body. Our statutory purpose is to ensure that the natural environment is conserved, enhanced, and managed for the benefit of present and future generations, thereby contributing to sustainable development.

Natural England's Advice

Natural England do not appear to have had any previous engagement relating to the current application. We note, however, that not only does the site benefit from an existing permission which is currently under construction but that the Environmental Statement contests that:

"The Proposed Development will only comprise engineering works carried out internally within the consented IWMF building. There will be no changes to the external appearance of the IWMF, and no additional throughput of waste is required to achieve the uplift. This means that there would be no associated increase in emissions or vehicle movements (associated with the delivery of waste to the IWMF Site)."

Further to this Natural England notes the location of the site and the distance to any of the statutory nature conservation sites which would be of primary concern to us. We therefore consider that the development is of low risk and do not wish to be involved in further stages of the NSIP process. Should your authority disagree with this conclusion please use the contact details set out below to raise your concerns. If the applicant is seeking a statement of common ground or letters of no impediment relating to protected species then these can be secured through our discretionary advice service.

For any further advice on this consultation please contact the case officer Jamie Melvin and copy to consultations@naturalengland.org.uk.

Yours faithfully,

Mr J R Melvin Sustainable Development Senior Adviser – West Anglia