

Tunnel Tech

Background.

Tunnel Tech (North) Limited was successfully prosecuted by Bassetlaw District Council in May 2015 in relation to breaches of Permit Ref No. PPC39/12 under the provisions of the Environmental Permitting (England and Wales) Regulations 2010 . As a result, Tunnel Tech were fined £32000 and BDC were awarded costs of £28000.

Following the prosecution BDC ensured that the following improvement works were carried out:

Relaying of the Bio-filter and replacement of scrubbing tower media.

Additional Bunker extraction ductwork installed on the main Phase 1 Bunkers.

Construction of a building for the storage and handling of raw materials (chicken litter), capturing emissions and ducted back to Scrubber and Bio-filter

Recently there has been an increase in complaints from some local residents regarding smells emanating from the site. As a result of this BDC has:

- Carried out odour monitoring in Misson as a result of complaints and at other times in order to substantiate the complaints and assist in identifying the specific source/cause.
- Conducted several meetings with Simon Middlebrook to discuss the source of complaints and the final works required on site to enclose the final element of the process. This work is in progress and BDC has requested TT to provide an update to Misson PC directly.
- A specialist consultant has been employed and has visited the site to carry out an inspection and review of the current permit. The permit is being revised in order to capture the changes that have already occurred since its first issue and to incorporate the new building and associated abatement measures.
- The proposed building will result in the virtual total enclosure of the production process and capture a significant amount of emissions and treatment of those with odour abatement.

BDC will aim to ensure these final enclosure works are carried out as expediently as possible however it is a large multi-million pound project which is likely to take some time to complete.

BDC will ensure that Tunnel Tech keep Misson Parish Council updates with regards to the progress of these works.