Lancashire County Council **Development Management Group Environment Directorate** PO Box 100 Preston Lancashire PR1 0LD

Our ref: NO/2024/116072/01-L01

Your ref: LCC/2024/0009

Date: 24 May 2024

Dear Sir/Madam

## ADDITION OF A COVERED BAY TO STORE WASTE.

## UNIT D12, RED SCAR INDUSTRIAL ESTATE, LONGRIDGE ROAD, PRESTON, PR2 5NQ

Thank you for consulting us on the above application, received 8 May 2024.

## **Environment Agency position**

We have no objections to the proposed development, however we do wish to make the following comments:-

The site has an environmental permit in effect (EPR/QP3391CV). The location of the proposed bay lies within the permitted boundary and the waste types to be managed within the bay are permitted and already accepted at the site.

There have been past issues at the site with birds (gulls), caused by waste being stored in open areas. This was addressed by the operator by the construction of a netting structure across Bay 3 & 4 located to the south of the site (please refer to drawing titled 'Proposed Site Layout Plan', referenced: Rds-LAY-0224-02; and dated: February 2024). The proposed bay is located outside of this area. Whilst it is noted that the bay includes a roof structure, the dry mixed recyclables have the potential to be contaminated with food and therefore attractive to pests and / or scavenging birds. We would expect the operator to have considered this and have appropriate procedures in place to control these issues.

The operator would need to ensure that storage complies with fire prevention guidance https://www.gov.uk/government/publications/fire-prevention-plans-environmentalpermits/fire-prevention-plans-environmental-permits

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Yours faithfully

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