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Dear LLC member.

Re: Newhurst Energy Recovery Facility – Hot Commissioning Update

The commissioning of the Newhurst Energy Recovery Facility enters an important phase this month and I want to ensure you are fully informed of what is happening.

This letter will also be posted on the project's website to ensure our near neighbours and communities are updated. As members of the Newhurst Local Liaison Committee (LLC), I would also encourage you to share this information with friends, family and via your own social media networks.

As previously reported, the project is now fully into the hot commissioning stage. Following the successful completion of controlled steam blowing activities, the facility recently received its first deliveries of residual waste (this is waste that remains once the recyclable waste has been separated and would otherwise be sent to landfill).

The delivery of waste leads us to the next important step. Once the furnace reaches its required temperature of 850°C, waste will be gradually introduced to the grate for treatment. The team will be monitoring this process closely as we work towards full operations in 2023. Air quality monitoring has already been set up and emission levels will be continuously checked in accordance with Environment Agency regulations.

All activity is carried out in compliance with the conditions of the facility's Environmental Permit. These commissioning activities are a requirement of all new energy-from-waste facilities and are highly regulated by the Environment Agency. In addition, we set our own high standards of safety and responsibility in everything we do.

The next LLC meeting is scheduled for 9th January. As always, my colleagues and I will be present to answer any questions on commissioning activities and future plant operations.

In the meantime, if you would like to understand more about the waste treatment processes at the Newhurst facility, this short animation shows how Covanta's energy from waste facilities operate. Please click on [this link](#) to view.

Lastly, if you have any questions or would like further information, please don't hesitate to write to us using the Contact Us form which is available [here](#).

Yours sincerely

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