



## Safety in Waste and Rubbish Disposal

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Dear Resident

### **Unless we all act NOW, another 4 million tonnes of waste, will be dumped at Wingmoor Farm.**

Grundon Waste Management has applied for planning permission to operate at its Wingmoor sites, Stoke Road until 2029 to extract minerals (sand, gravel and clay), run a materials recovery facility (MRF); landfill commercial and industrial waste, and treat and dispose of hazardous waste.

**SWARD objects to a new planning consent being given.**

- We believe that the hazardous waste operations are a significant threat to our health and environment. (More information on this can be found on our website). We want **no more toxic waste** dumping at Wingmoor.
- The original planning consent was given on the understanding that the site would be **closed** and **restored** by the end of 2009. We believe that a time limited planning consent should be just that. Large companies should be made to work to the intended deadlines.
- We believe the large number of waste operations along Stoke Road has a huge impact on residents living around the Wingmoor sites and in the roads along which the waste containers travel.

We **urge** you to write to the County Council to object to this threat to your health and environment. Every individual member of your household may write a separate letter.

**Every** letter matters. Planning law states that the decision makers **must** consider your fears and concerns. Details of how to object can be found overleaf.

**Don't leave it someone else.**

**We need hundreds of letters to show just how strongly we oppose this application.**

**Together we can stop it.**

Yours sincerely

SWARD Steering Group

# Stop another 4 million tonnes of waste being dumped at Wingmoor

## No More Toxic Waste!

Write to: **Mrs S Pearse, Team Leader, Development Control & Enforcement,  
Gloucestershire County Council, Shire Hall, Gloucester, GL1 2TH**

Or e-mail: [planningdc@gloucestershire.gov.uk](mailto:planningdc@gloucestershire.gov.uk)

State that you wish to **object** to application number **09/0028/TWMAJW** and say why. It doesn't need to be long. Just include what matters most to you and your family. Make it your *own* letter.

Explain how the Grundon Wingmoor sites already affect you, for example:

- × **Dust levels** in and around your home
- × **Odours** - explain how this has affected your enjoyment of your home, your health etc
- × **Flies, vermin** and **seagulls**
- × **Noise** from sites
- × **Condition of roads, litter** blown from sites and dropped from vehicles
- × **Traffic** volume; **noise and vibration** of lorries; **safety** of loads, speed etc
- × If you have noticed any **impacts on your health** that you believe may be linked to the waste sites, please explain these.
- × Have you experienced **difficulty in selling or letting** your home because of the waste sites?
- × Describe how you **feel**, knowing that **hazardous waste** is dumped close to your home, or driven along your road.
- × Explain that you understood the expiry date to be May 2009 and that if this application is granted your hopes of an end to the imposition of waste sites and the restoration of the landscape are dashed.

### You may wish to point out that:

- The Grundon sites lie in the green belt.
- Very little information has been gathered about local residents' health, particularly for conditions that research indicates are linked to living close to landfill sites.
- Incinerator ash contains dioxins: persistent organic pollutants, which are harmful to human health. Wingmoor Farm is now a world "hotspot" for persistent organic pollutants.

Full copies or a summary of the application are available to view at Bishop's Cleeve Library,  
or via [www.SWARDBishopsCleeve.co.uk](http://www.SWARDBishopsCleeve.co.uk).

### It would be helpful if you could also send copies of your letter to:

Planning Department, Tewkesbury Borough Council, Gloucester Road, Tewkesbury, GL20 5TT  
or [TechnicalAdministratorsDC@tewkesbury.gov.uk](mailto:TechnicalAdministratorsDC@tewkesbury.gov.uk)

Cllr P Lightfoot, Chair Bishop's Cleeve Parish Council, Church Road, Bishop's Cleeve, GL52 8RL  
or [clerk@bishopscleevepc.org](mailto:clerk@bishopscleevepc.org)

**These local councils will be asked to give their opinion on the application  
so need to know your views.**

***"Never doubt that a small group of thoughtful, committed citizens  
can change the world. Indeed, it's the only thing that ever has."***