

# NOTES OF TARMAC LIAISON COMMITTEE HELD ON TUESDAY 7 AUGUST 2018 at 2.00PM

Agenda Item No: 14

PRESENT	Martin Dobson	Tarmac
	Cllr Ian Sayers	Ribble Valley Borough Council
	Heather Barton	Ribble Valley Borough Council
	Lynda England	Chatburn Parish Council
	Jonathan Haine	LCC Planning

## APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Ian Brown (RVBC)

## MINUTES

The minutes of the last meeting held on 25 July 2017 were approved as a correct record.

## UPDATE ON TARMAC OPERATION

Martin reported that Tarmac had taken back full responsibility for their part of the quarry. Letters had been sent from both Hanson and Tarmac to the HSE to inform them of the position. Access was still required by both parties in the quarry. Tarmac had done their 1<sup>st</sup> blast in August 2017 and blasts happen approximately twice a month. Extraction = 40,000 tonnes a month. This had picked up with the increase in housebuilding in the area.

In preparation noise monitoring had taken place in June by Vibrook and will happen again in due course during blasting. Tarmac monitor every blast.

Nigel Evans MP had visited the site on May at the invitation of Tarmac.

Crushing of the stone takes place at the bottom of the quarry which keeps noise and emissions to a minimum. Dust suppression has been a major issue over the hot summer. A full time tractor and bowser has been hired as well as the road sweeper doing extra hours. Water from the quarry was pumped up to use for this purpose.

Hanson Cement is currently pumping out as they are operating lowest in the quarry. They are looking to use the Tarmac discharge pipe to pump out into Chatburn brook during low flow time of March to September. Martin liaises closely with Sam Wrathall at Hanson – particularly on traffic in the quarry and damping down.

The vehicle fleet had been completely updated – by 1 September 2018 all vehicles will have 360° vision cameras, side sensors for cyclists and overhead cable detectors.

With regard to future developments, Martin reported that they are looking to install storage bins for asphalt instead of only being able to load direct into the trucks. This may happen sooner rather than later if they are successful with the Penwortham bypass contract.

## COMPLAINTS REVIEW

RVBC had not received any complaints, nor had either Tarmac or LCC in the last twelve months. Chatburn PC had, but it was thought (Linda's opinion) this was due to the extremely hot weather that had recently been experienced.

## AOB

- Cllr Sayers asked about fire risk with regard to vegetation
- Lynda asked about the pair of peregrines nesting on the cliffs (with chicks)
- Heather reported there would be a new member of staff (Pollution Officer) starting soon who would make contact with Martin in due course.

## NEXT MEETING

This would be arranged for August 2019 (unless one was required sooner)

Meeting closed at 2.30pm