

# **Statement of Community Involvement**

Newall Plant Limited

Heron Farm, Bunwell Road, Besthorpe,  
NR17 2LN

**June 2023**

**Prepared by  
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## Background

In accordance with the NPPF (2021), Policy 7, the Norfolk County Council validation requirements, 2016 and Norfolk County Council - Statement of Community Involvement 2012 the applicant has sought the views of the Local Community with respect to this application.

The County's advice requires:

- Demonstration that the views of the local community have been sought including:
- Details of how the proposal has been advertised in such a way to bring it to the attention of the majority of people who live at, occupy or use premises at or in the vicinity of the site;
- Details of the means of the pre-application consultation (such as mailings, exhibitions, presentations, meetings, etc)
- Details of the views received from the local community Details of how the views of those directly affected by the development have been taken into account and how this has influenced the design of the development.

## Community Consultation

On 26<sup>th</sup> May 2023 a number of activities were completed. Each activity occurred on the same day and every person or entity consulted was given two weeks in which to respond. This was considered sufficient based on the feedback received from those who responded. Those who were consulted were advised to contact the Planning Team and contact details were provided. The opportunity to view the full application at the application site was also provided. The opportunity to receive the full application by email was also available.

<b>Requirement</b>	<b>Completed Activity</b>
Details of how the proposal has been advertised in such a way to bring it to the attention of the majority of people who live at, occupy or use premises at or in the vicinity of the site	Site Notice (Appendix A & B)
Details of the means of the pre-application consultation (such as mailings, exhibitions, presentations, meetings, etc)	Mailing to Local Residents (9 in total – 1km radius) (Appendix C) Map to be annotated with a Colour showing residents consulted Letter to Parish Council (Appendix D)
Details of the views received from the local community	Summary
Details of how the views of those directly affected by the development have been taken into account and how this has influenced the design of the development.	Updated D&A

## **Results**

Two location residents did contact the Planning Agent by telephone. These residents were contacted again and asked if any representation would be submitted. No response was received.

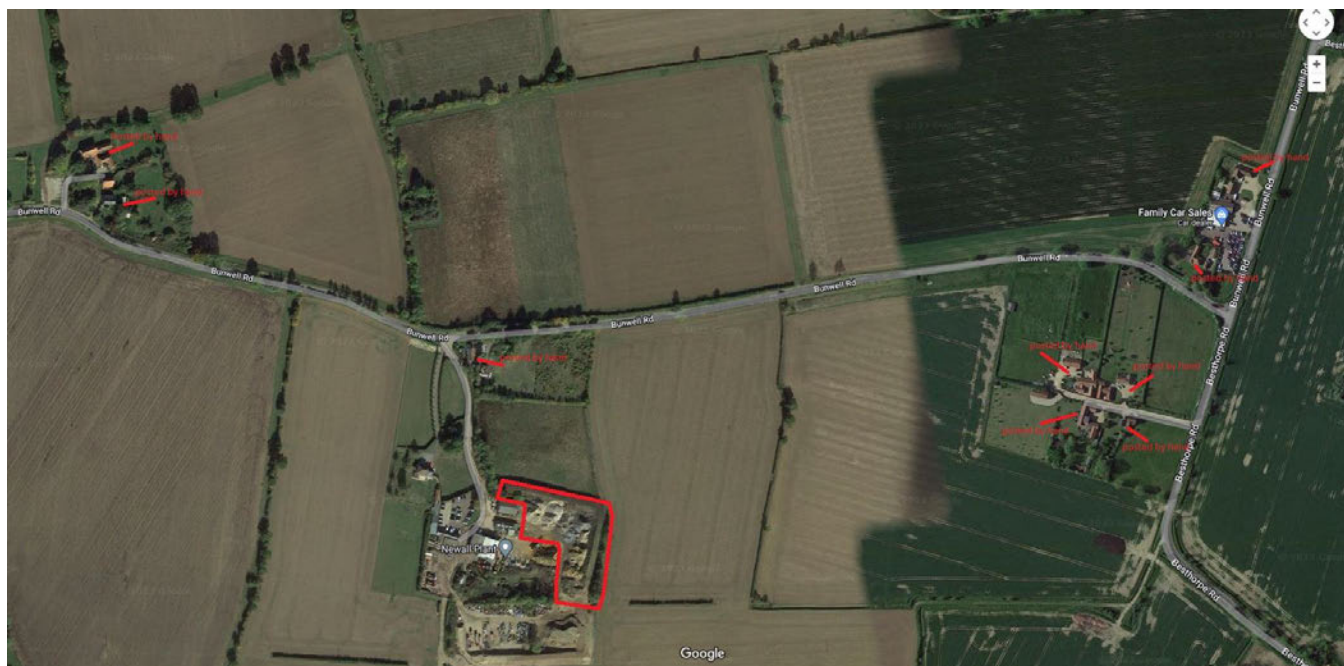
No response was received from the Parish Council.

## **Conclusion**

The Planning Team have conducted an exercise of Community Involvement as part of this application. All residents directly affected by the application were consulted. The Parish Council was also consulted. A site notice was also erected to ensure anyone interested in the application site had the opportunity to be consulted.

Unfortunately the consultation did not result in any involvement or feedback being received. It is considered that whilst community involvement is beneficial, with an established site such as this, public consultation was unlikely. If any comments were to be received they would be received by the Council as part of the formal planning application consultation process.

## APPENDIX A – Neighbours Consulted



**APPENDIX B – Site Notice**



**APPENDIX C – Neighbours Letter**



To Local Resident

From Newall Plant Ltd and The Planning Agent

26 May 2023

Dear Sir/Madam

**In accordance with Norfolk County Council's Statement of Community Involvement, 2012.**

**Proposed Use Change of use of land from open air storage (plant, materials and aggregates in connection with the operations of Newall Plant Ltd) to aggregate and soil recovery facility (part retrospective).**

**Location: Land adjacent to the Barn, Heron Farm, Bunwell Road, Besthorpe, Attleborough, Norfolk, NR17 2LN**

I am writing to you to notify you of a proposed application which is due to be submitted to Norfolk County Council in the coming weeks.

Newall Plant Ltd has been working with the County Council and District Councils over the past six years to regularise the storage and recycling operations at Heron Farm.

This consultation seeks your views on the above application. Any views will be taken into account as part of the application formation.

The planning application may be inspected or purchased at a fee not exceeding the reasonable cost of making a copy, at the offices of the Newall Plant Hire Ltd or via the planning agent during normal business opening hours.

A submission or observation in relation to the application may be made in writing to the planning agent for the site, within the period of **2 weeks** beginning on the date of this letter, and such submissions or observations will be considered by the acting planning agent. The planning agent can be contacted by email at [egonenvironmentalltd@outlook.com](mailto:egonenvironmentalltd@outlook.com).

Yours sincerely



Phillip Taylor - Agent

**APPENDIX D – Parish Council Letter**



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