

## What will happen next?

- Site work will continue as long as possible through the winter given weather/light/ground condition constraints.
- The effects of installing the large diameter boreholes will be monitored and this information used to help identify the programme for further work.
- The project team hope to have enough information to make decisions on timescales for the rest of the works by Spring 2008.
- A Special Neighbourhood Forum will be held on 28 February 2008 at 7.30pm in Cullingworth Methodist Church to update the community on progress at Manywells Landfill. At the meeting there will be a presentation on basic landfill processes and a photographic tour of the site showing the work which has been carried out.

## Emergencies

**Bradford Council's emergency number is 01274 431000. Emergency calls will be forwarded to the appropriate officers.**

## Further information

Future editions of this newsletter will provide more information and updates on the work at Manywells, however if you have any questions or comments please contact:

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More detailed information can be found on our website:  
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# Manywells Landfill Remediation Newsletter 4

February 2008

## IMPORTANT NOTIFICATION:

**You are invited to attend a Special Cullingworth Neighbourhood Forum about Manywells Landfill Remediation. This will be held on Thursday 28 February 2008 at 7.30pm at Cullingworth Methodist Church.**



Photograph: Manywells Landfill Site

*In this newsletter* you will find information about works which have been carried out at the site and how the community and the project team are working together to improve communications.

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## Current works

- More engineering work has taken place than was anticipated. This is due to good weather in the autumn.
- The shape of site has changed due to engineering works. All material is being kept within the site boundary.
- Further site investigation has been carried out to investigate material near the surface including trial holes and some standard diameter boreholes.
- Areas of material which may be useful in remediation have been identified on the site.
- Large diameter boreholes have been drilled into site. It is anticipated that these will improve drainage within the waste allowing leachate to drain down to the collection system and be pumped away. The drier waste should start to produce gas again and thus settle (reduce in size) faster.
- Temporary clay cap is being installed to prevent rain getting into waste.
- A 3D model of the site is being developed to enable an understanding of the changes taking place in settlement, to help plan the remediation works and to provide visual illustration of the project development.
- Leachate pumping continues, along with monitoring gas, leachate and groundwater.
- Application for funding for ongoing works has been submitted to DEFRA.
- All site works are being carried out in a way which is intended to minimise impact BUT we need to know if problems occur so that we can optimise controls and/or identify whether the site is the problem or not (contact details below).



## Manywells Community Working Group

- The Manywells Community Working Group has met 3 times.
- The group comprises 10 residents; 3 ward councillors; 4 remediation project team members from the Council and the consultancy MWH. An officer from the Environment Agency will attend meetings as needed. The meetings will be held every 2 months.
- The group has discussed: ways of improving communications with the community; project management; and the structure of the project team.

- At the meeting on 2/11/07 basic landfill processes were explained and discussed and a 'virtual' walkover using photographs and samples of material used on the site, e.g. pipework, was presented.
- The Working Group recommended that the presentations should be repeated for the whole community at a Special Neighbourhood Forum (see below).
- A site visit for the whole working group was not possible for health and safety reasons during the pre-Christmas major site works, but the deputy chairs of the group visited the site with the project manager. The working group plans to visit the site in the Spring.
- At the Cullingworth Neighbourhood Forum meeting on 3/12/07 the work of the Manywells Community Working Group was supported by Councillor Simon Cooke and the deputy chairs of the group.
- If you are interested in knowing more about the Community Working Group please contact Brian Anderson or Ann Barker (contact details below).

## Pre-Christmas site works and complaints

- Three odour complaints were received in November. One of the complaints was found to be directly related to site works and action was taken to deal with the problem immediately. One complaint was related to odour in the north of the village and the third complaint was a combination of odours near the site and in the north of the village. All complainants were contacted with feedback on activities on site. The source of the odour in the north of the village is not clear but complainants have agreed to keep us informed of problems so that they can be investigated further.
- **Request** – please do let us know if problems occur. If more than one person gets in touch it might help us to identify the cause of the problem.

