

Goostrey Parish Council

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Planning Department

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Cheshire East Council Westfields, Middlewich Road Sandbach Cheshire CW11 1HZ

Dear Sirs,

Goostrey Parish Council wishes to object to planning application 8/2009/CCC3, submitted by Covanta in respect of an incinerator in Middlewich.

This application should be refused on the following grounds:

- Covanta's proposal is not part of the Cheshire Waste Plan. The site they have applied for is not included in the Cheshire Waste Plan and was refused permission to be included in the Plan by Cheshire County Council in October 2006.
- The site they have chosen is not allocated as 'suitable for Thermal Treatment' in the Cheshire Waste Local Plan.
- The transport system in and around Middlewich would be overwhelmed with the additional vehicles required to ensure a flow of over 1000 tonnes of waste per day to the plant, and the removal of up to 300 tonnes of ash a day.
- Covanta do not have a guaranteed waste stream in Cheshire to meet a 370,000 tonne capacity which therefore means that waste would need to be imported to meet their demand. This is contrary to Cheshire's Waste Plan, the Inspectors report from the Public Inquiry into Cheshire's Waste Plan and the Proximity Principle.
- The proposal is totally unnecessary as facilities already exist to meet the capacity of forecasted waste in Cheshire.

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• Each tone of waste incinerated produces a tonne of CO² (Source:DEFRA) which therefore makes this proposal at odds with local, regional and National priorities regarding CO² production and climate change.

Goostrey Parish Council believes that this development should not be approved because of the grounds given above.

Yours faithfully,

Denise Draper Clerk to Goostrey Parish Council

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