

Press release: New and revised permits for Horse Hill oil and gas site

The company already held a permit to drill the exploratory borehole and manage wastes arising from that process. This variation allows them to drill a new borehole, drill a side track from the original borehole and carry out flow testing to understand the long term economic viability of the oil and gas reserves. No hydraulic fracturing will take place as part of this activity.

The company has also been issued with an environmental permit to allow them to store oil on site following production.

The company will need to adhere strictly to the conditions set out in these permits, which will ensure the local community and environment are protected.

The Environment Agency considered the opinions raised by local people during the 4 week consultation with communities, interested groups and other professional organisations before reaching this decision.

A spokesperson for the Environment Agency said:

We would like to thank all those people who responded to the consultation. Since the consultation period closed, Horse Hill Developments Limited has provided additional information to clarify some of the aspects of their application for flow testing.

After considering all of the information available and completing our assessment we are confident that the environment and people will be protected. Environment Agency officers will now ensure compliance with these operating conditions during the next phase of works.

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SRUC student Rachel Foley enjoys summer placement with SAC Consulting

[in Edinburgh](#)

Rachel Foley, a fourth year BSc Agriculture student from Musselburgh in East Lothian has enjoyed a 10 week placement with the Edinburgh office of SAC Consulting, part of Scotland's Rural College.

[SRUC student Gemma Waugh enjoys summer placement with SAC Consulting in Ayr](#)

Gemma Waugh, a fourth year BSc Agricultural Bioscience student from Closeburn near Dumfries has enjoyed a 10 week placement with the Ayr office of SAC Consulting, part of Scotland's Rural College.

[SRUC student Jack Munro enjoys summer placement with SAC Consulting in Elgin](#)

Jack Munro, a fourth year BA Rural Business Management student from the village of Glenraig in Fife has enjoyed a 10 week placement with the Elgin office of SAC Consulting.

[Research and analysis: Waste management for England 2016](#)

Updated: Revised spreadsheet 'Waste management 2016 in England: data tables'. Amendment to 'Operational incinerators' worksheet.

Data is presented at a national level (for England) or by former English government planning regions (for trend consistency). The data reports on:

- landfill inputs and capacity
- transfer inputs

- treatment inputs
- incineration inputs and capacity
- metal recycling inputs
- disposal in or on land inputs
- use of waste inputs

Information on the management of hazardous wastes and the number of sites is also included. Information on other site types can be supplied on request.

- [Waste management data 2015](#)
- [Waste management data 2014](#)
- [Waste management data 2013](#)
- [Waste management data – 2005 to 2012](#)
- Data for accessed based interrogator tools 2016:
 - [Waste data interrogator](#) (conditional licence applies)
 - [Hazardous waste interrogator](#) (open government licence applies)
 - [previous years](#) (search for 'waste data interrogator' or 'hazardous waste interrogator')
- [2016 waste incinerator annual reports](#)