

INFORMATION ON WRITING LETTERS TO STOP THE INCINERATOR

It is time to move the campaign to stop the building of the incinerator forward. One way in which you can help is to write letters to a number of official bodies recording your concerns. These letters must be held on record by them and be used as evidence at the planning application stage and also at a Public Enquiry if the Planning Application is passed. These letters are the beginning, they are to record your general concerns. When a Planning Application is raised by Cornwall County Council you can write more detailed letters. To help those of you who wish to write, the following will provide information on addresses, letter content and give sample letters to copy.

Who To Write To.

To record your opposition to the incinerator, there are two departments within Cornwall County Council to contact.

The Planning Department.

and

Environment and Heritage Department.

both at: -

**Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY**

To express concerns about health and environmental damage which an incinerator will bring to the community, its effect on the flora, fauna and to our natural treasures like the Goss Moor and River Fal and its contribution to global warming.

Write to: -

**The Environment Agency
Sir John Moore House,
Victoria Square,
Bodmin,
Cornwall.
PL31 1EB**

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To record your concerns about the access to the site and the lorry traffic write to:

**Highways Development Control Department
Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY**

To complain about the County Council's decisions i.e. the manner in which the contract was awarded to SITA. The relationship between Lord Falmouth and Cornwall County Council

Write to: -

**Government Office for the South West
2. Rivergate,
Temple Quay,
Bristol,
BS1 6EH**

Also

Where you can complain about the way District Councils' and individual Councillors have dealt with matter.

**Local Government Ombudsman
The Commission for Local Administration in England,
The Oaks
No 2. Westwood Way,
Westwood Business Park,
Coventry,
CV4 8JB**

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Write to your local Member of Parliament with your comments and copy your correspondence to him.

The Rt. Hon. Matthew Taylor, M.P.

House of Commons,

Westminster,

London.

SW1A 0AA

You can also write to individual County Councillors to ensure they understand your feelings. Remember letters to individual councillors are not recorded and will not be included in official reports. Please write to both the County Council officials and the County Councillors for maximum impact.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR	ADDRESS
Adams, P R	7 Tower Close, Pelynt, Looe, PL13 2NQ
Angove, Miss P S	26 Chapel Street, St Just, TR19 7LT
Ansari OBE, Mrs D M	Winslow, Chapel Hill, Truro, TR1 3BW
Ault, J A	Meadow View, The Old Rectory, Sheviock, PL11 3EL
Bain, Mrs S V	Lawhyre Cottage, Rashleigh Lane, Fowey, PL23 1HP
Barnes, R S	Fal Clinton Close, Redruth, TR15 2LR
Biscoe, B M M	3 Lower Rosewin Row, Truro, TR1 1EN
Bonney, R J	17 Messack Close, Falmouth, TR11 4QG
Booker, R E	Clifton Tenement, Week St Mary, Holsworthy, EX22 6UH
Brewer, C W	Pencarrow Mill Cottage, Sladesbridge, Wadebridge, PL27 6JF
Brooke, E	c/o County Hall, Truro, TR1 3AY
Brown, G B	Trethevy Farmhouse, Trethevy, Tintagel, PL34 0BE
Bryant, D	Higher Whitley Farm, Helland, Bodmin, PL31 2NT
Bull, Mrs J	4 Chandlers Walk, Charlestown Road, St Austell, PL25 3NB
Bunce, A C	5 Atlantic Close, Camborne, TR14 7AP
Burden, N H	Trecarrell Manor, Trebulet, Launceston, PL15 9QG
Burley, M E R	116 Parkway, Fairfield Park, St Austell, PL25 4HY
Carlyon, Mrs A J	3 Strangways Villas, Truro, TR1 2PA
Chin-Quee, G W	29 Old Hill, Falmouth, TR11 2PR
Comber, Mrs B J	Oakleigh, Pencuke, St Gennys, Bude, EX23 0BH
Cooper, R J	7 Alexandra Terrace, Short Cross Road, Mount Hawke, Truro, TR4 8DU

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Cramp, O K	2a, Harbour Court, New Street, Falmouth, TR11 3HY
Curnow, D	8 Tregargus View, St Stephen, St Austell, PL26 7PS
Curnow, W V C	Quoins, 7 Sunnybank, Porthleven, TR13 9EP
Currie, J H	Colley Weston, Penelewey, Feock, Truro, TR3 6QY
Dent, D C	Jansden, 12 Holt Crescent, Tregunnel Park, Newquay, TR7 2AX
Dyer MBE, F J	Penventinnie, Kenwyn, Truro, TR4 9EG
Edwards, R G	18 Chymedden, Trebarwith Crescent, Newquay, TR7 1TG
Egerton DBE, A	Trevillick House, Fore Street, Grampound, Truro, TR2 4RS
Emuss, R J	Treemuss, Higher Tremarcoombe, Liskeard, PL14 5HP
German, J R R	Pen-Michael, St Just In Roseland, Truro, TR2 5JB
Glanville, P A	Benn Park, St Columb Minor, Newquay, TR8 4JJ
Hatton, N H	Mill Cottage, Polwheveral, Constantine, Falmouth, TR11 5RW
Heard, Mrs E G	The Mulberry House, Titson Farm, Marhamchurch, Bude, EX23 0HQ
Hichens, R E	Bodrennick, 12a, St Peters Road, Flushing, Falmouth, TR11 5TP
Hicks, G P	50 Adelaide Road, Redruth, TR15 2HQ
Higman, B J	Ere-We-Be, Trebilcock Farm, Roche, St Austell, PL26 8LF
Hocking, G J R	64 Twelvewoods Place, Dobwalls, Liskeard, PL14 6JP
Holmes, P T	Dens A-Dheffo, 24 Coronation Road, Eglos Hallow, Illogan, Redruth, TR16 4SQ
Hunkin, B L	8 Kiln Close, Mevagissey, PL26 6TP
Hutchings, S C	Treyarnon, 24 Kernick Road, Penryn, TR10 8NT
Jones, R L	10 Pengover Heights, Liskeard, PL14 3UA
Kaczmarek, M A	Innsbruck, Pennance Road, Lanner, Redruth, TR16 5TF
Kerridge, Ms A M	14 Quarry Park Terrace, Bodmin, PL31 2QD
Lello, Mrs T	29 Treeve Lane, Connor Downs, Hayle, TR27 5DQ
Lyne, Mrs P A	Chywartha, Kestle, Manaccan, Helston, TR12 6HU
Mann, R A	Little Chysauster, New Mill, Penzance, TR20 8XA
Mates, P E	Trenowyn, Ludgvan, Penzance, TR20 8BL
McTaggart, Mrs B M	3 Heskyn View, Tideford, Saltash, PL12 5JP
McTaggart, M K	3 Heskyn View, Tideford, Saltash, PL12 5JP
Mennear, S D	20 Tregony Hill, Tregony, Truro, TR2 5RU
Mepsted, Mrs J M	3 The Green, Fairmead Mews, Saltash, PL12 4SQ
Mitchell, A P	36 Parc-an-Creet, St Ives, TR26 2ES
Moyle, M J	33 Moorfield Road, Treloweth Gardens, Pool, TR15 3QB
Nettle, T R J	86 Liskeard Road, Callington, PL17 7EZ
Nicholls, G M	13 Tavistock Road, Launceston, PL15 9HF

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Oliver, Mrs S M J	Trenoweth, Viaduct Hill, Hayle, TR27 5HT
Parkin, E L	16 Victoria Street, Torpoint, PL11 2HE
Payne, M J	Sirhowey, 9 Charles Street, Newlyn, Penzance, TR18 5QB
Paynter, A R	Winsdon, North Petherwin, Launceston, PL15 8NX
Phillips, P	Downside, Casterills Road, Helston, TR13 8BJ
Plummer, J N	An Velyn Seaureaugh, Seaureaugh Moor, St Stithians, TR3 7DL
Pope, E J	8 Dolcoath Road, Camborne, TR14 8RW
Preston, B D	Higher Foxhole, Wivelscombe Manor, Elm Gate, Saltash, PL12 4QY
Rawlins, B J	24 Brockstone Road, St Austell, PL25 3DW
Roberts, W H	Trethevey Farm, Par, PL24 2SA
Robertson, A W	Lyndhurst, Falmouth Road, Helston, TR13 8JU
Rogerson, S J	Callywith, Castle Drive, Bodmin, PL31 2RE
Rowe, J C	Carhart Farm, St Breock, Wadebridge, PL27 7HZ
Rule, Mrs C A	Marconi House, Meaver Road, Mullion, Helston, TR12 7DN
Smale, T G	Fair Haven, Newbridge Hill, Gunnislake, PL18 9JH
Stocker, J B	67 Meadway, St Austell, PL25 4HT
Symons, Mrs J H	Lannanta-Cot, Trenoweth, Lelant, St Ives, TR26 3ET
Toms, A J	36 Trenant Road, Barbican, East Looe, PL13 1EP
Townrow, Miss S C	Higher Whitley Farm, Helland, Bodmin, PL31 2NT
Vincent, Mrs E J	25 Stannary Road, Stenalees, St Austell, PL26 8SN
Walker, N C	Trevean Farm, Rosudgeon, Penzance, TR20 9PF
Waters, A J	Treskerby, School Road, Summercourt, Newquay, TR8 5DY
Whalley, D	148 Elizabeth Road, Bude, EX23 8AJ
Williams, Ms T E	Albert Cottage, Albert Terrace (back lane), Penzance, TR18 2DD
Woodward, J G	Meryasek House, Polstrong, Camborne, TR14 0QA
Yeo, K C	The Paddock, Perranwell Road, Goonhavern, Truro, TR4 9JL

What To Write About.

How the incinerator will affect you and your family,

Include your concerns about the quality of life of your children and their children.

Emissions from the plant and traffic movements.

The drop in the value of your properties. There will be no corresponding reduction in your rates.

The visual impact of incinerator from the village and the major holiday route (A30).

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The way forward is to reduce waste by stopping at source (packaging) or recycling. Cornwall County Council is 100 out of 393 in the recycling league table. (Source ODPM statistics)

Point out that the Liberal Democrat Party policy is against incineration (C.C.C is a Liberal Democrat run council).

SITA's poor performance in other parts of the country (Brighton, Narborough, Kirklees etc). And their extremely poor environmental record in France where plants have been shut down.

SITA are in business to make profit, at our (taxpayers) expense.

Point out the relationship with Lord Falmouth whose pocket will also benefit from the incinerator.

Both of these are at the expense of the tax payer.

Mention the alternatives to incineration i.e. reduction at source, recycling, aerobic digestion, pyrolysis and gasification (go to www.st-ig.co.uk for further information).

Situate alternative technologies across the county, reduce the impact on the environment by reducing the distance waste travels.

Mention your concerns about the petty rules and drop in the standard of service from the privatisation of waste contracts. (Fortnightly collections, being fined if you put out "too much" waste, wheelie bins spy bugs, District Councils charged if they want to recycle more etc)

Express your concerns on such a long term, one solution, all the eggs in one basket contract.

Request a copy of the contract.

Request details of the cost analysis the council carried out where they weighed up the cost of incineration versus other less impact solutions.

The effects on the holiday trade from emissions.

The effects on organic farming from emissions.

SITA are responsible for policing the levels of emissions from their own plant.

The Goss Moor and the River Fal catchment area are Sites of Special Scientific Interest (SSSI) and European Special Areas of Conservation (SAC) which the County Council and the Environment Agency get European money to preserve.

The County Council and the Environment Agency are given significant sums of money from Europe to safeguard the catchment areas of the Rivers Fal and Fowey under the CYCLEAU Project.

St. Dennis has been the subject of a study as part of the Cornwall Industrial Settlements Initiative (funded by Cornwall County Council) where it has been found to be of significant historical interest and in need of preserving by designating it a Conservation Area.

Describe the traffic chaos and the effect the high number of lorry movements have on the local road network and our villages.

Point out that we live in the most beautiful county in Great Britain and we must not be responsible for its destruction.

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For more information please visit our web site www.st-ig.co.uk and the other linked web sites.

Sample Letters

Here are some sample letters for you to use as examples. Feel free to copy them but please put them into your own words so they express your feelings.

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SAMPLE LETTER 1

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

Environment and Heritage Department.
Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY

Dear Sirs

I am writing to you to express my concerns on the plans to build an incinerator beside my village of St. Dennis. I feel there is no need for an incinerator, it seems that the council has taken the easy way out. There are alternatives which you do not seem to have looked at.

I am concerned that the incinerator will affect the quality of life of my family. I have heard you officials say that any fumes will be within government guidelines but I don't want any additional pollution in the village. What about the fumes from lorries and the smell and rats from the stockpiles of rubbish?

We like our village as it is so I ask you to turn down an incinerator.

Yours Faithfully.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>

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SAMPLE LETTER 2

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

Environment and Heritage Department.
Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY

Dear Sirs

Please take time to read this letter. I am a resident of <enter your village name> and I am angry that you want to build an incinerator near my village. We suffer enough here with dust, noise and pollution and do not want any more.

We live in a beautiful part of the country depending on holiday makers and organic farming to make a living. When people get to hear that there is an incinerator here they won't want to come again.

I am also concerned that there will be 140 lorry movements a day through our country roads and villages. These are not designed to cope with this traffic.

Finally I ask that you show this letter to the council so that they understand how angry people are that the council want to build an incinerator here.

Yours Faithfully.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>

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SAMPLE LETTER 3

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

Environment and Heritage Department.
Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY

Dear Sirs

I am writing today to express my objections to the building of an incinerator in Cornwall.

I object on the grounds of Health, Safety, Environment and the use of tax payer's money to support commercial enterprises.

I believe the community should reduce waste at source and use more environmentally sound methods of disposing of that which is left. Tying the ratepayer into a 30 year contract is totally opposed to these principles.

It is difficult to understand how the disposal of waste can be handed over to SITA, a company whose record of managing such contracts in the U.K. is poor and in their home country of France is abysmal.

Please make my objections known to the council and councillors so that they can be taken into account when discussing the incinerator further.

Yours Faithfully.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>

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SAMPLE LETTER 4

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

The Environment Agency
Sir John Moore House,
Victoria Square,
Bodmin,
Cornwall.
PL31 1EB

Dear Sirs

I am writing to express my concerns on the sighting of an incinerator near my village.

They are: -

1. Emissions from the chimney.
2. Emissions from the significant increase in traffic movements to and from the site.
3. Smells emanating from stockpiled waste.
4. Vermin attracted by the stockpiled waste.
5. The effect on the local watercourse from airborne and ground based emissions.
6. The effect on the Goss Moor which is an SSSI and SAC site.
7. The conflict of interest of both your agency and Cornwall County Council in supporting an incinerator which is contrary to the aims of the CYCLEAU project of which you are both partners.
8. Policing of the emissions by SITA themselves.
9. Publishing emission results.
10. Noise levels from the plant and traffic.

I hope you will take note of all my comments when you are consulted on the incinerator.

Yours Faithfully.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>

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SAMPLE LETTER 5

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

Highways Development Control Department
Cornwall County Council
County Hall
Truro
TR1 3AY

Dear Sirs

I am writing to you to express my concerns about the impact on our road system if an incinerator is built near St. Dennis.

The roads around St. Dennis are in places narrow, windy and hilly country roads and are not designed to carry the 140 traffic movements a day that will be generated if the incinerator is built. There are two routes in from the A30 both of which go through villages (St. Dennis and Treviscoe) neither of which were designed for lorries of today's size. Current highways policy restricts speed through the villages by allowing parking on the roads narrowing the road down so that lorries have great difficulty manoeuvring through the villages. There is also a narrow Grade II Listed bridge at the bottom of Stamps Hill which is too small. Not all the traffic will use the A30, other lorries coming from the south coast will come through Nanpean, Foxhole, Whitemoor and St. Stephens.

Please take note of my concerns and highlight them when consulted on the matter of the incinerator.

Yours Faithfully.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>

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SAMPLE LETTER 6

<YOUR ADDRESS>

<DATE>

The Rt. Hon. Matthew Taylor, M.P.
House of Commons,
Westminster,
London.
SW1A 0AA

Dear Matthew Taylor

I am writing to you as my Member of Parliament to ask for your support in halting the plans to build an incinerator beside the village of St. Dennis. I am concerned about the effects such a plant will have on me and my family's health.

It is my understanding that it is Liberal Democrat policy not to incinerate if there are alternatives. I feel that there are such alternatives available to the council which have not been adequately explored. So why has the Liberal Democratic led County Council taken this route? Is it the easiest solution for them to delegate to SITA? Are we reaching the same situation that happened in Oxford?

The Labour government are pushing for incineration.

The Lib Dems policy is against any new incinerators.

The Lib Dem council in Oxford proposed an incinerator, against party policy.

It was defeated by Labour councillors voting against the proposal and against their party policy.

In conclusion can the residents of Mid Cornwall depend on you and your fellow Liberal Democrat M.P.s support at both national and county level to ensure Cornwall has a waste management policy in tune with the beautiful in which we live?

Yours Sincerely.

<Sign your name>

<Print your name>