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Dear Mr Maxwell,

I write as the Member of Parliament for Runnymede and Weybridge in response to the planning application SCC Ref 2020/0057, RU.20/1047 – *“Erection and operation of a small scale clinical waste thermal treatment facility including ancillary buildings, structures, parking, hardstanding and landscape works”* at Trumps Farm, Kitsmead Lane, Longcross, Chertsey, Surrey KT16 0EF in my constituency.

While I welcome the interest in investment to the area and in principle I support measures to provide local employment, we must ensure any proposals do not damage our extremely precious local environment and impact unduly on residents.

In particular, residents around the Kitsmead Lane area have long suffered terrible and overwhelming odours from the existing recycling centre, an issue on which I have represented many of my constituents in enquiries and complaints to the Environment Agency. I have deep concerns that this application could worsen the present situation which as yet remains unresolved. Until this is resolved I do not believe this application should be considered. However, in the absence of it being withdrawn, I would be grateful if you could consider when assessing the suitability of this application in Kitsmead Lane:

1. How are the existing levels of odour and pollution at Kitsmead Lane being used to evaluate the impact of this application, especially given its proximity to the M3?
2. Are the Environment Agency being consulted on this application and on whether the current levels of odour and pollution at Kitsmead Lane will be detrimentally impacted by this application?
3. If this application is successful, what confidence can my residents have that monitoring and enforcement of the facility will be undertaken to ensure it is not worsening odour or pollution issues in the local area, especially given the history of multiple licence breaches and non-enforcement by the Environment Agency.

I will closely follow the application.

Yours sincerely,

**Dr Ben Spencer MP**  
**Runnymede and Weybridge**