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Subject: RE: 171129SSD68548:Balcombe well Lower Stumble Balcombe,W Sx-Enq from Balcombe Parish Council

Dear Councillor Taylor,

Please find attached Waste Management Plan (version 3).

Kind regards,

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Dear Councillor Taylor,

Following the below email, please find attached Waste Management Plan (version1). Version 3 will follow.

Kind regards,

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Subject: RE: 171129SSD68548:Balcombe well Lower Stumble Balcombe,W Sx-Enq from Balcombe Parish Council

Dear Councillor Taylor,

Thank you for your email concerning the onshore oil and gas site at Lower Stumble, Balcombe which we received on 22 November 2017. We apologise for the delay in responding to your request and for any inconvenience caused. Please find our response below with regards to details of the flare proposed by Cuadrilla Balcombe Ltd.

The current environmental permit EPR/AB3307XD issued in 2013 for the Lower Stumble Hydrocarbon Exploration Site allows the flaring of any natural gases brought to the surface as a result of the proposed well test. The permit limits this flaring activity to a maximum of 10 tonnes per day. Further information on the flare can be found in the active and approved Waste Management Plan –version 1 (attached) which supports the permit.

We are currently assessing a variation application (EPR/AB3307XD/V003) to the original permit (EPR/AB3307XD) as part of a national permit review programme within the oil and gas sector. This review is being carried out to ensure that all environmental permits within the oil and gas sector meet the requirements of the revised sector guidance ("Onshore Oil & Gas Sector Guidance" which was published on 17 August 2016). Following the consultation and initial assessment of this variation application, we requested further details of the flare that the operator proposes to use at the site through a Schedule 5 notice. In response to this notice we have received further information from the operator, including a Waste Management Plan (version 3), a Gas Management Plan and a document on the responses from the Schedule 5 notice (attached). This information is currently being assessed as part of the determination of the variation which is expected to be completed in 2018.

This information is supplied subject to the notice which can be viewed via the following link

<http://www.nationalarchives.gov.uk/doc/open-government-licence/version/3/>

I hope the above answers your enquiry and we apologise again for the delay in our response.

Further information

For more information about how we regulate the onshore oil and gas industry please visit our information page <<https://consult.environment-agency.gov.uk/onshore-oil-and-gas/onshore-oil-and-gas-regulation-information-page/>> .

Please get in touch if you have any further queries or contact us within two months if you would like us to review the information we have sent. Please send any future correspondence to our team email account at [ssdenquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk](mailto:ssdenquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk) <<mailto:ssdenquiries@environment-agency.gov.uk>>

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Subject: 171123:SSD68548:Balcombe well Lower Stumble Balcombe,W Sx-Enq from Balcombe Parish Council

Dear Sir or Madame,

I am writing to you on behalf of Balcombe Parish Council.

I have been informed by Chris Bartlett, Chief Planner, West Sussex County Council that you should be able to supply the parish council with information about the flare proposed by Cuadrilla for their site at Lower Stumble, Balcombe.

The current planning application from Cuadrilla for the Lower Stumble site has much less information about the flare than their previous planning application to flow test in 2014.

We would like to know if the flare now proposed for the site at Lower Stumble has its own separate permit.

Cuadrilla's planning application only provides information about the height but not the internal temperature gas will burn, or whether it is shrouded or not, or what type it will be, or the expected flare efficiency. The noise and air emissions experts looking at the planning application on our behalf both say they need this information in order to calculate noise and also air emissions.

Any assistance would be much appreciated. Details of their planning application can be found here.

<http://buildings.westsussex.gov.uk/ePlanningOPS/tabPage3.jsp?apId=2178>

Kind Regards

Councillor Sue Taylor

On behalf of Balcombe Parish Council

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