

Cleanaway's Community Commitment

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Unveiled at a community meeting on Monday, October 12, the plans show local residents that Cleanaway has taken their concerns seriously and implemented measures that will control any potential odour in line with Australian best practice standards.

NSW General Manager David Clancy said the principal goal was to ensure there was no adverse impact on the local community.

"We pride ourselves on not simply operating in this community but being part of this community."

"Maintaining an open and transparent dialogue with local residents and stakeholders is essential."

"We have been in Erskine Park for more than 18 years, and this new project will ensure that we remain here, bolstering employment, boosting the local economy and providing a vital service."

"This is the reason we have set ourselves a 'design standard' with regard to odour control that goes above and beyond what's required by law."

Mr Clancy said the regulation 'compliance standard' allowed for odour limits to be exceeded for a small percentage of the operating time.

"But we have recognised that this is not acceptable to the community so we have taken steps to address this."

He said he hoped the community understood some vital points about the project.

These include:

- At full capacity, odour from the facility will be contained well within the industrial area and will not exceed the regulation 'compliance standard' at any residential locations.
- Compliance will be achieved through fully enclosing the building and transferring waste off site each day.
- Cleanaway has set itself a higher 'design standard', to ensure odour limits won't be exceeded.
- To achieve the self-imposed higher standard, proven technology will be used to clean the air.
- Monitoring within the first 12 months of operation will be used to validate odour modelling predictions performed during design and be used to ensure that all odour management measures achieve our stated objective. This will be subject to an independent audit to be approved by the Department of Planning & Environment and EPA.

Mr Clancy said the project will play a critical role for waste management in greater Western Sydney for years to come.

For more information on the proposed project go to:

<http://www.cleanaway.com.au/community/major-project/erskine-park-community-information-nsw/>

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