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Dear Mr

Thank you for registering a question in advance of the May meeting of Rochdale Township Committee. Your question was submitted to Peter Rowlinson, Service Director for Planning & Regulation Service, and his response is as follows.

There is no plan to construct a waste treatment plant on Mandale Park. The Greater Manchester Waste Plan which will be considered next month at a public inquiry has suggested that over the next fifteen years certain types of facility could be allowed to be located in the Sparth area. An area of search was identified which included parts of Mandale Park but no specific sites are allocated for any development.

The view of Rochdale Council officers is that this plan would allow some new development on existing employment sites where such facilities ALREADY exist. It is expected that any such proposals will improve the operation of these existing sites.

We are working with residents to establish if the boundaries of the existing employment area can be redefined to provide a better relationship between the housing areas and existing employment but any changes will be very minor and will not take place without full engagement with local people.

We expect the Waste Plan will be redrawn to include a much smaller area which would be described as being suitable for a limited range of new uses. These will be small in scale and will operate to the highest standards. They do not include any scope for large scale uses which take land from Mandale Park.

Thank you once again for submitting your question and attending the Committee.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'Val White'.

Val White
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