

## Orgreave Landfill Site: A Public Enquiry Meeting



### ROLE CARD: The optimistic local councillor

You are an optimistic local councillor. You will be attending the public enquiry meeting about the proposed use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

You are **for** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should be used as a landfill site are:

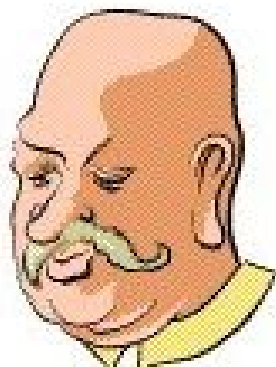
- ❑ It will provide jobs for local people.
- ❑ It will save money (it is a cheap waste disposal option) which means more money can be spent on other areas e.g. education and health care.
- ❑ Once the site has been filled it can be redeveloped. For example, Barratt is currently developing the old landfill site in Handsworth into a housing estate.

You also know that there are lots of other advantages to using the site for landfill. You believe that the advantages far outweigh the disadvantages and think that the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site should go ahead.

### Writing your speech

1. Introduce yourself e.g. Hello I am Miss Rawson and I am a local councillor.
2. Say whether you are for or against the use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.
3. Say why you believe that Orgreave should or should not be used as a landfill site  
NB. The main reasons are shown on your role card. You should try and add as many other points to support your argument as you can – the advantages and disadvantages information sheet should help you.
4. Summarise your argument e.g. Overall I think that Orgreave should/should not be used as a landfill site because...

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### ROLE CARD: The pessimistic local councillor

You are a pessimistic local councillor. You will be attending the public enquiry meeting about the proposed use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

You are **against** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should be used as a landfill site are:

- ❑ It will look ugly and it will smell foul.
- ❑ It could be a risk to public health. Gases given off from the site will cause air pollution and waste seepage through the ground could contaminate local water sources. Also local children often play in the area and their lives could be put in danger.
- ❑ The trucks delivering the waste are big and noisy. They will disrupt the peace and quiet of the area and jam up the roads.

You also know that there are lots of other disadvantages to using the site for landfill. You believe that the disadvantages far outweigh the advantages and think that the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site should not go ahead.

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### ROLE CARD: Local Parent

You are a parent who lives locally. You will be attending the public enquiry meeting about the proposed use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

You are **against** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should not be used as a landfill site are:

- ❑ It would look ugly and smelly foul.
- ❑ Your children often play in the local area and you are worried that they would either injure themselves on the waste or become ill as a result of air or water pollution.
- ❑ The big trucks taking waste to the site will cause traffic jams and might mean that my children will be late for school and that I will be late for work.

You also know that there are lots of other disadvantages to Orgreave being using as a landfill site. You believe that the disadvantages far outweigh the advantages and think that the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site should not go ahead.

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### ROLE CARD: Member of Friends of the Earth (a charity that works to protect the environment)

You are a member of Friends of the Earth. You will be attending the public enquiry meeting about the proposed use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

You are **against** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should be used as a landfill site are:

- ❑ It will spoil the natural beauty of the area and it will smell foul.
- ❑ Gases given off from the site could harm the health of local people and wildlife.
- ❑ Local habitats will be destroyed, meaning that local wildlife will have to migrate, as they will have nowhere to live.
- ❑ Local water sources could become polluted as waste seeps through the ground. Again this could lead to the death of local wildlife.

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### ROLE CARD: The owner of a local waste management company

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You are **for** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should be used as a landfill site are:

- ❑ It will provide jobs for local people, reducing poverty in the local area.
- ❑ It is a cheap waste disposal option that means that we will be able to use the money that we have saved on looking into sustainable methods of waste management for the future.
- ❑ Once the site has been filled we will redevelop it. The redevelopment will benefit the local area in a number of ways. For example jobs will be created during the redevelopment. This has already happened in Handsworth, where Barratt are building a new housing estate on an old landfill site.

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### ROLE CARD: Local resident

You are a local resident. You will be attending the public enquiry meeting about the proposed use of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

You are **for** the development of Orgreave mine as a landfill site.

The main reasons why believe that Orgreave should be used as a landfill site are:

- ❑ It will provide jobs for local people, reducing poverty in the local area.
- ❑ It will hopefully reduce the amount of pollution given off during transport that will reduce our contribution to global warming which is a massive problem that effects everyone.
- ❑ Getting rid of local waste locally will stop the waste problem from being shifted somewhere else. Lots of problems have been caused in countries like China where was from Britain is dumped illegally.

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