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Subject: Birdston Coup - Birdston / Milton of Campsie

Dear Mrs Green,

Given that you are acting CEO in light of the recent resignation of the CEO we would like to make it known to yourself, that as a Community Council and other interested parties, we are extremely dissatisfied with the lackadaisical way in which the operations taking place on a very toxic previously closed and capped Coup is being handled by SEPA.

We would request that an Audit is carried out into this site and the control of the site from SEPA's point of view. As far as we can see and as confirmed by your officer there is no record of what has been delivered to or removed from the site.

As a community we are very concerned that the current Management company on the site know nothing of the waste products below the cap and that they are running a Waste Treatment Facility that they have no licence for in our view. On numerous occasions residents nearby have witnessed large excavations taking place which seriously suggests that the existing cap has been breached and toxic waste is already above ground. The current Management Group have been on this site now for circa 12 months which surely should be more than enough time to "Bring it back into Agricultural use". There is no sight of this taking place however there is plenty of waste arriving from most worryingly the site in Kirkintilloch where a new football pitch and complex is being built. This was an old Nickle works in past history and having read the SI and remediation strategy for the site it is still heavily contaminated, why would a company bringing a site back into agricultural use take any material from such a heavily contaminated site.

You must obviously understand our concern as a community and we hope take a personal interest in sorting this mess out before some of the nuclear and toxic waste is exposed and people and animals are exposed to this danger.

We await your response hopeful that you will see fit to treat this area seriously.

Kind Regards,

Brian J McFall Secretary - MOCCC