

Press Release

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Dunton Environmental announces go-ahead for UK's first asbestos treatment facility at its waste treatment hub in the West Midlands.

Landmark announcement for fast-expanding Birmingham based firm also recently awarded Best Environmental Restoration Service 2017 by the Midland Enterprise Awards

Dunton Environmental, market leaders in the design and implementation of ground and water remediation solutions for land restoration has today announced the go-ahead to operate an asbestos treatment facility at its waste treatment hub situated in the West Midlands.

The facility, the first of its kind to be opened in the UK is situated on Union Mill Street in Wolverhampton and was formally awarded a waste permit by the Environment Agency at the end of October. It is expected that when fully up and running the site will be capable of processing an estimated 200,000 tonnes of material annually.

The site which is also permitted for the bioremediation of contaminated wastes is expected to launch shortly and is one of a number of treatment centres that Dunton is developing across the UK.

The agreement will also see Dunton clean up and remediate the land, the site of a former industrial works situated in Horsey Fields and which plays an important role in the regeneration of Wolverhampton as a whole.

Each facility is permitted to remediate a range of hazardous and non hazardous wastes arising from the construction and demolition industry and other waste management facilities such as waste water treatment plants and sewerage treatment works, including dredging spoil.

Waste materials that would otherwise be disposed of at landfill can be treated at Dunton's facilities for re-use in restoration projects or other environmental betterment schemes. The treatment process provides Clients with significant cost savings as treatment activities are exempt from landfill tax charges.

Speaking about the announcement, Dunton CEO Neil Roe said: "We are very pleased to be relaunching our waste treatment operations at Horsley Fields. The partnership with Wolverhampton City Council is really ground breaking in delivering a sustainable, low cost remediation solution for the site coupled with providing a great alternative to landfilling in the surrounding region. We are grateful to all the stakeholders for their support and are excited about the future success of this venture and similar ones in the future."

Also commenting Sarah Middleton, Chief Executive Black Country Consortium said: "The Black Country Local Enterprise Partnership (LEP) continuously strives to uplift the regions land assets for people, place and business. To deliver this strategic ambition the LEP have always worked very closely with innovative businesses looking to develop new and sustainable approaches to land development within the Black Country.

The West Midlands Treatment Centre provides a sustainable approach to the treatment of contaminated land, avoiding the costly alternative of sending contaminated soils to landfill. The centre fits closely with the strategic ambitions of the LEP who are looking to deliver the majority of their remaining housing and employment land targets."

The Midlands Enterprise Awards are designed to highlight individuals and firms within the region and celebrate their innovation, customer service and performance over the past twelve months.

For further information about Dunton's waste services offering, please contact James Hill – Dunton Environmental either by phone 44(0)7814 977461 or by email wastehubs@duntonenvironmental.co.uk. Further information can also be found online at : <http://www.duntonenvironmental.com/waste-treatment-hubs/>

About Dunton

Dunton Environmental are market leaders in the design and implementation of ground and water remediation solutions for land restoration. The company's applied technologies for contaminated soil and water treatment, together with an expert waste management capability, delivers measurable, cost and programme benefits for all their clients.

The environment and its sustainability is always at the forefront of the company methodology, and it drives their design, which offers their partners peace of mind, confidence and certainty that their land is in safe hands.

As a strategic partner, Dunton are sensitive to the balance between cost, time and sustainability and from the outset work alongside their clients to guarantee safety, maximise quality, drive economy, and deliver program. Dunton's relationship with their clients will restore their land, making the world a better place.

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