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Ms Sally Harvey  
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Our Ref: TT50310/Kings Hill Odour

Dear Sally,

I am sure you are aware of the issues which are facing residents on Kings Hill at the moment, as a result of an odour being caused by a new anaerobic digestion plant at Blaise Farm Quarry in Kings Hill. The ultimate aim is for this to process our waste although I understand that it has yet to receive a permit from the Environment Agency.

The smell is causing concerns to many residents and I would be grateful if you could let me know when the permit can be expected to be completed, so that the Environment Agency will be able to monitor and regulate works taking place on the site. However, I am aware that the operator may be sending current levels of Hydrogen Sulphide to the Environment Agency, so would appreciate it if you could confirm what these levels are, and what measures will be put in place imminently to reduce levels?

I would be grateful if you could let me know how the Environment Agency will go about resolving this issue, including before a permit is completed.

I look forward to hearing back from you.

Best wishes,

A handwritten signature in black ink that reads "Tom Tugendhat".

**TOM TUGENDHAT**

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