

## **FAQs – Waste Transfer Station**

### **What is the Geron Way Waste Transfer Station?**

The Geron Way Waste Transfer Station is a new facility being built to replace the former Hendon Waste Transfer Station. It will handle up to 195,000 tonnes of household waste, recycling, food waste, and street sweepings annually from six North London boroughs including Barnet and Camden.

### **Why is this facility being built?**

As part of the works to build Brent Cross West station, which opened in December 2023, we needed to relocate the Hendon Waste Transfer Station. The Hendon site was closed in 2021 and since then, waste operations have been undertaken at a temporary facility in Wembley until a permanent site is completed. Within the outline planning permission for the wider Brent Cross Cricklewood programme and after considering different location options, we achieved approval to build a permanent new Waste Transfer Station at Geron Way. The new site will help manage household waste and recycling from Barnet and other boroughs.

### **How will construction be managed?**

McLaughlin & Harvey will be our construction delivery partners who are permitted to work Monday to Fridays between 8am to 6pm and 8am to 1pm on Saturdays. There will be trucks entering and exiting the site from an entrance via Geron Way, but traffic management plans and junction improvements at Geron Way and Edgware Road are being implemented to minimise disruption.

### **How will operations be managed?**

The new waste transfer facility is expected to be operational no later than Nov 2027 and the facility has been designed with sustainability at heart with advanced features to minimise impact to residents. Features include a living roof to support biodiversity, odour control technology, green screening to improve air quality and noise mitigation such as acoustic fencing.

### **How will odour be controlled?**

The Transfer Station facility will incorporate advanced odour control technology, designed by specialists, Exeon. It will include dust pre-filtration and activated carbon beds to minimise odour at all times, including during summer months and peak operational periods.

### **How will traffic and vehicle movements be managed during construction?**

Vehicle modelling has been undertaken to ensure local traffic isn't adversely affected. Improvement works have already been carried out to the Geron Way/A5 Edgware Road junction, including new traffic light control and pedestrian crossings, which ensure that the infrastructure is in place to cope with the expected traffic flows.

**How will noise levels be controlled and monitored?**

It's our priority to minimise disruption to residents as much as possible. During construction, the contractor will undertake regular monitoring to ensure noise doesn't exceed the stringent levels permitted by the planning conditions and will take all measures necessary to reduce noise nuisance to a minimum.

Once completed, operational noise will be abated by acoustic barriers and screens around the entire site boundary, which will be constructed from a combination of earth bund, concrete retaining walls with a close-boarded acoustic fence above.

**How have residents been consulted on the plans?**

Consultation took place in 2017 and following planning approval in October 2018 site preparation works were undertaken. Since then, contractors McLaughlin and Harvey were appointed to develop the detailed design of the new facility which have been progressed, and they have now been granted notice to proceed to build the Geron Way Transfer Station.

As part of our community engagement strategy, we also held a resident drop-in session in September 2025 where people can see the plans, meet the project team and ask any questions.