

PUBLIC INQUIRY PROGRAMME –FINAL VERSION PUBLISHED 27.04.2026

Appeal Ref: APP/EPR/25/695

Appeal by: Reclamet (Holdings) Ltd

Environmental Permit: EPR/JB35001LT

Appeal Site: Recycling Centre, Woodchurch Road, Birchington, Kent CT7 0HL

Inquiry Venue: Darwin Conference Suite, University of Kent, Darwin Road, Canterbury, Kent CT2 7NY

Abbreviations used in this programme

EA – Environment Agency
EiC – Examination in Chief
XE – Cross Examination
RE – Re-examination

Day 1 – Tuesday 19 May 2026 14.00 hours

Morning Session	Afternoon Session – Site Visit
	14.00 – 16.00 Site Visit

Day 2 – Wednesday 20 May 2026 10.00 hours

Morning Session – Openings	Afternoon Session – Background/Planning
<p>10.00 - 10.45 Inspector Opening Announcements, Procedural Issues and Housekeeping Matters</p> <p>10.45 - 12.00 Opening Statements*</p> <p>(30 minutes maximum per party - Appellant followed by EA)</p> <p>*Please provide copies in writing and an electronic copy to the case officer before 10.00.</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>	<p>13.00 – 13.30 Interested Parties</p> <p>13.30 – 14.00 Ruth Standfast (EA) (EiC)</p> <p>14.00 – 14.45 Ruth Standfast (EA) (XE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>14.45 – 15.00 Ruth Standfast (EA) (RE EA Advocate)</p> <p>15.00 – 15.30 Stuart Mann (Appellant) (EiC)</p> <p>15.30 – 16.15 Stuart Mann (Appellant) (XE EA Advocate)</p> <p>16.15 – 16.30 Stuart Mann (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>16.30 – 16.45 Joshua Mellor (Appellant) (EiC)</p> <p>16.45 – 17.15 Joshua Mellor (Appellant) (XE EA Advocate)</p> <p>17.15 – 17.30 Joshua Mellor (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)</p> <p>Break at an appropriate time in proceedings</p>

Day 3 – Thursday 21 May 2026 09.30 hours

Morning Session – Noise	Afternoon Session – Noise
09.30 - 10.30 Jon Tofts (EA) (EiC)	13.45 – 14.45 Clive Bentley (Appellant) (EiC)
10.30 – 12.00 Jon Tofts (EA) (XE Appellant Advocate)	14.45 – 16.15 Clive Bentley (Appellant) (XE EA Advocate)
12.00 – 12.45 Jon Tofts (EA) (RE EA Advocate)	16.15 – 17.00 Clive Bentley (Appellant) (RE Appellant Advocate)
Break at an appropriate time in proceedings	Break at an appropriate time in proceedings

Day 4 - Friday 22 May 2026 09.30 hours

Morning Session - Closings	Afternoon Session – No Sitting
09.30 – 10.30 Closings by EA	
10.30 – 11.30 Closings by Appellant	
45 -60 minutes approx. maximum per party	
11.30 – 11.45 Cost applications and close?	

*** Note – Closing Statements to be emailed to the case officer prior to the commencement of openings.**