



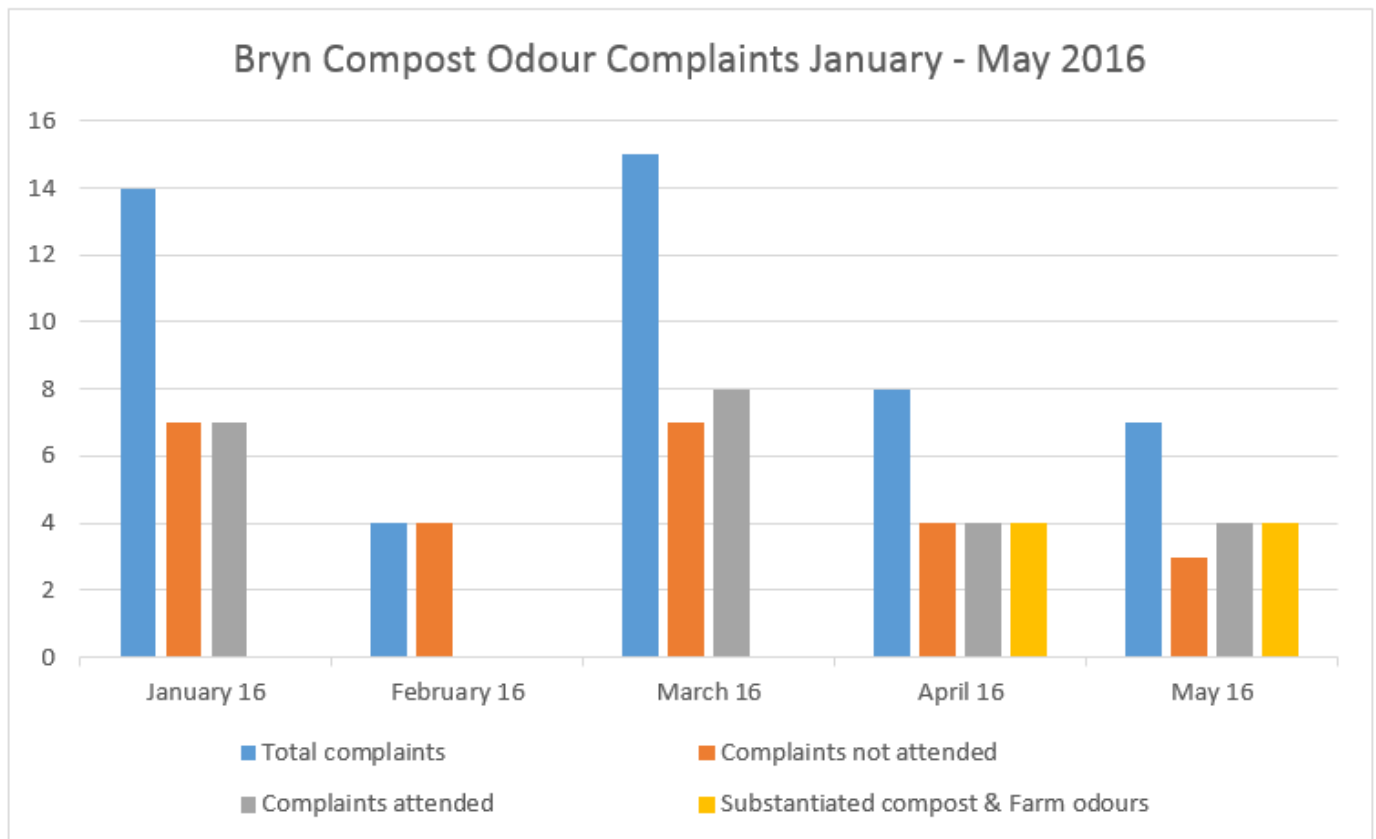
Bryn Compost Liaison Group

Liaison Group Meeting – 21st June 2016

Introduction

In total, Natural Resources Wales (NRW) received 49 complaints from 1st January 2016 to 31st May 2016. 23 of these complaints were attended but no compost only events were confirmed. However, 8 of these complaints were attributed to a mixture of farm and compost odours, likely caused by slurry spreading.

This figure is almost half of the total volume of complaints NRW received in the 5 months prior, but is a very similar figure to the same period last year. Below is a graph and a table which illustrate the number of calls NRW has received and how many composting odours were substantiated.



Key Data

	Total complaints	Complaints not attended	Complaints attended	Substantiated compost & Farm odours	Substantiated Farm odour	No odour detected	Compost Odour Events
January 16	14	7	7	0	2	5	0
February 16	5	5	0	0	0	0	0
March 16	15	7	8	0	8	0	0
April 16	8	4	4	4	0	0	0
May 16	7	3	4	4	0	0	0
TOTAL	49	26	23	8	10	5	0

Significant Findings

January - There was a small spike in complaints over a 2 day period (5th and 6th) where the operator cleaned out cattle sheds and moved PAS100 (fully matured) compost to the common ready for spreading. NRW responded to these complaints and substantiated odours from the cattle shed on the initial inspection but no composting odours. During the second response, the stockpiles of PAS100 compost on the common were inspected but no odours were detectable when in close proximity.

March – There was a significant spike in complaints on 21st March where NRW received 8 complaints in one day. NRW can confirm these complaints have been linked to landspreading that commenced that day.

April & May – While complaints have remained relatively low during these months, NRW can confirm small spikes in complaints on 13th April and 3rd May which coincide with cleaning out of cattle sheds.

Annual Response Data 2016

