

## **Development Consents Orders – two out of two!**

Following on from the success of obtaining the first Development Consent Order for a hazardous waste facility (in Northamptonshire) in July 2013 MJCA obtained the second Development Consent Order for a hazardous waste facility (in Lancashire) in May 2015. The first Development Consent Order was for an increase in the capacity of a hazardous waste treatment facility and the construction of a hazardous waste landfill for Augean. The Development Consent Order for the facility in Lancashire comprises a hazardous waste landfill near Skelmersdale at Whitemoss Landfill. MJCA have been involved in the Whitemoss project since May 2012. In accordance with the regulations we worked with the applicant to carry out extensive pre application consultation which we led the project team and prepared and submitted the application in late 2013. A robust case was presented to the Examining Authority in 2014 and following the six month examination period the Examining Authority recommended to the Secretary of State that the Development Consent Order should be made. The Secretary of State accepted the findings of the Examining Authority and the Development Consent Order was made in May 2015. MJCA are continuing to work with Whitemoss Landfill in respect of implementing the Development Consent Order and we have prepared and submitted the Environmental Permit application for the facility.

