

REDDALE LANDFILL
Minutes of Community Liaison Committee Meeting
Monday 17 June 2002 @ 7:30 pm

	Full meeting	First part of meeting only
Present:	Colin Kendall (Chairman) Cr. Arnold Gosling (RDC) Mark Drury (Peer Review Panel) Peter Day (ARC) Chris Wills (WMNZ) Bruce Horide (WMNZ) Rob Burgess Mick Hunt Charlie Earwaker Jim Clough Duncan MacKintosh Bill Earwaker Michael Radley Karen Radley Julie Earwaker Tony Cowley	Graham Burton Noelle Burton David MacBeth (28 BBRd) Roy Cunningham Christine Pearce Roger Sorensen Trevor Little Jill Little Tim Holt Evelyn Gibbs Rob Gibbs Cherry Neville Steve Hollander Eric Brewin-Brown Paul Anthony Craig Atchison Rosanne Davies Robert Leinwand (Tender Rd) Helen Leinwand
Apologies:	Mike Kunzli Richard Croker Bill Smith	

First part of meeting

Discussion on Waste Management's submission on RDC District Plan:

A circular had been sent to residents by M. Radley and others highlighting 5 items in WMNZ's submission on the proposed Rodney District Plan, in regard to zone definitions, facilities around the landfill and subdivisive limitations which according to residents had the potential to affect land value.

C. Wills explained that the submission was made to RDC a year ago as a result of the draft Regional Air Plan but in regard to zones around landfills, the submission had effectively been overtaken by a further submission to the ARC on the Air/Land/Water Plan. WMNZ agreed to withdraw its submission #1511/3 to RDC about subdivision near landfills. The community requested written advice to confirm that this had been done by 21/6/02.

It was asked that if the company was withdrawing its own submission, had the ARC made a similar submission? P. Day was to confirm.

There was concern that the company's submission had not been discussed with the community beforehand, and had not been mentioned in the Dairy Flat News.

Cr. Gosling acknowledged the community's surprise that the submissions on the District Plan had taken so long to become public. As he was on the hearings committee, he couldn't yet comment on the submissions.

The meaning of "ancillary facilities" was also queried. WMNZ intended it to apply to buildings etc which would not be unexpected at a landfill and shouldn't require the maximum consent process each and every time. J. Earwaker wanted to ensure that there was no unknown and that there was public scrutiny of any proposal by the company.

The company's submission had also suggested that transfer stations should be controlled activity in all zones, because the proposed plan made it very difficult for anyone to establish proper transfer stations and non-obtrusive community facilities such as good recycling depots.

In response to a query about Horseshoe Bush Road, C. Wills assured the meeting that there was no plan to extend the landfill footprint or establish any refuse transfer station or let any landfill traffic along the road (as dictated by the Planning Tribunal decision – K. Radley asked for written confirmation). The PT decision also prohibited landfill traffic on Richards Road.

J. Earwaker advised the meeting that it was still important to make a submission, and to send a copy to the submitter (WMNZ in this case).

Second part of meeting

Minutes of Previous Meeting:

The minutes of the 18/03/02 meeting were agreed as a correct record.

Matters arising from minutes:

Pond 3 construction: Finished.

Power outages: The lines company had originally said that 2MW is OK, but subsequently found the lines getting too hot. Part of the line out via Richards Road has been fixed. If the company buys a 3rd generator, most of the power will be sent out via an additional line to Horseshoe Bush Road.

New generators: Any more generators would be located alongside the existing ones.

Correspondence:

- Six-monthly report from the Peer Review Panel.
- Letter 14/6/02 from C. Kendall to J. Earwaker re invitation to meeting and RDC submission.

Waste placement:

Chris Wills described the refuse filling. The first “fluff” layer across the floor of the new cell had been completed.

Planting:

More “Climax” trees had been planted on the Horseshoe Bush Road buffer zone – the community were satisfied with results. Ongoing maintenance was undertaken. WMNZ had an issue with RDC’s contractors who were overspraying gorse on road margins and killing natives.

Site development:

Phase 10 had been completed, providing airspace for the next two years' of refuse.

Complaints:

ref	date	name	subject
244	4/4/02	T. O'Brian	Litter falling off Wastecare truck
245	5/4/02	Sonny Cross	Litter falling off Perry's truck
246	13/4/02	Hazel Saunders	Litter falling off Wastecare truck
247	11/4/02	Lynette Joy	Litter falling off WMNZ truck
248	12/4/02	Diane McBeth	Litter/speeding – Perry's truck
249	22/4/02	Paul Hughes	Litter off Perry's truck
250	12/5/02	Helen White	Litter off truck TF2535
251	23/5/02	Bob Charles	Litter off truck XF2371
252	23/5/02	Helen White	Litter off truck UO1519
253	10/6/02	Karen Radley	Litter off truck YS4431

In a discussion of these complaints, C. Wills commented that:

- The landfill’s ongoing follow-up of complaints about litter on the highway was starting to register with more the drivers – there generally was no re-offending;

- For repeated complaints about litter from a truck, the procedure was 1) talk to driver 2) letter to driver 3) letter to driver's manager 4) harder line;
- The harder line being considered was to forward complaints to RDC who would then forward them eg to Waitakere City Council if WCC's contractors were to blame;
- Three litter patrols had been done since the last meeting. No comment had been received from Transit.

Power:

WMNZ would decide by November 2002 whether to install a third generator, which would then be due in April 2003. One carbon trade had been done, but it looked like the government might interfere in the future.

PCB:

B. Horide described progress on testing for trace amounts of PCB in gas and air: The re-test of raw landfill gas had given the same total PCB result as last year, which was in line with international landfill gases, and a lower 'toxic equivalent' result. The re-test of ambient air had given a lower result than last year at the cross-wind site (Richard Road pony club), but still high enough above typical NZ rural levels to be a mystery as to its source (the wind didn't blow towards the sampler from the landfill) – WMNZ will seek comment from a specialist consultant. The re-test of ambient air at the downwind site (Hunt/Wright boundary) was stuffed up by Agriquality, and WMNZ is still seeking explanations. The results of sampling of pasture were due shortly.

Six-month report:

M. Drury read through report No. 19 and answered any questions.

C. Wills noted that since a large cell had been prepared, alternative tip faces were available further away in unfavourable winds, leading to less odour complaints.

In response to a R. Burgess query, M. Drury replied that if any contamination occurred at the Rangitopuni Stream, then it would certainly be reported in the six-monthly report.

Membership:

J. Clough had moved. J. Earwaker suggested that this would be a good time to advertise in the Dairy Flat News and call for persons to put their names forward for election at the next meeting. M. Radley was willing. It was expressed that the committee could be more representative in some respects.

General business:

A larger extractor blower had been installed, with no significant impact on noise.

The leachate evaporator had plenty of capacity for the leachate being generated.

Next meeting: Monday 21 October 2002 at 7.30pm at the landfill site office