

Kate Valley Landfill Community Liaison Group

Meeting Minutes

Date: 5:00pm Monday 30 October 2006

Location: Administration Office, Kate Valley Landfill, 554 Mt Cass Rd, Waipara

No.	Item
	<p>Attendees:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Alec Baxter (Chair), Robin Gardiner, Carol Parker, William Hughes-Games• Judith Batchelor (Hurunui District Council)• Richard Purdon (Environment Canterbury)• Mark Milke, Bruce Riddolls (Consultants)• Martin Pinkham, Rangi Lord (Canterbury Waste Services Ltd)
1	<p>Apologies</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
2	<p>Minutes of last meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• The previous minutes were taken as read• Robin Gardiner raised the fact that he and Rose Mackintosh were concerned by the wording of the previous minutes regarding the traffic incident at the Mt Cass Rd / Landfill Access Rd intersection.• Robin Gardiner asked if the "No Landfill Access" signs erected on Mt Cass Rd at the time of the opening days could be removed. Martin sought feedback about the two "No public Access to Landfill" signs on lower Mt Cass Rd. Carol expressed her wish to have the most western one near her driveway, removed. It was agreed that this would be done.• This was agreed although Martin advised that he would notify the Mackintosh's, as they had hope this would deter people from using the road unnecessarily.• Robin Gardiner asked why a complaint he had raised earlier regarding a liquid leakage from a container on Mt Cass Rd, had not been logged. Martin agreed to ensure this happened.
3	<p>Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• None
4	<p>Action Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Martin to ensure that Robin's unlogged complaint detailed above is put into the system.
5	<p>Environment Court: Bond Decision</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none">• Judith provided a brief synopsis of the recent Traffic Consent Hearing Decision. This included further discussion on the hearing outcome and noted that the weekly and annual allowances had been increased. Judith advised that to her knowledge there had been no appeals to the decision.

<p>6</p> <p>6.1</p>	<p>Reports</p> <p>Complaints register.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Three complaints were received since the last meeting. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1 The first was on 15th September from a Taggart's driver complaining that one of the CWS trucks had forced its way into the merging lane at the Pineacres intersection. 2. The second was on 30th September about a CWS truck accused of exceeding the speed limit on the motorway at Tram Rd. 3. Another complaint was received about a loud noise from one of the CWS trucks at 1250 Main Rd, Woodend. The incident was said to have occurred at 3:00AM. This was not possible as the CWS fleet do not operate at this time of the day. <p>Alec advised that he had not received any complaints.</p> • Martin advised the group about the recent 'road rage' incident at the CWS Resource Recovery Centre at Parkhouse Rd.
<p>6.2</p>	<p>Peer Review Panel Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin introduced Mark Milke and Bruce Riddolls to the group and asked if there were any queries about the tabled report. • Robin enquired about the wording "...work <i>appears</i> to be done to a high standard.." (last para., page 3) – Is it or is it not? • Mark Milke responded by saying that their role was not a 'QA' one. The evidence demonstrated that "best practice" had been employed. • Martin advised that Tonkin & Taylor had been employed to provide the QA, supervision and certification of works. • Bruce Riddolls elaborated on their role. • Alec Baxter queried the statement that the panel "...had <i>limited</i> access to do the work..." • Mark said that it was perhaps an unfortunate choice of words, "...infrequent access.." might have been more appropriate. • Robin asked about section 5.6 "...where there was limited cover..." • Mark acknowledged that the issue particularly related to the daily cover on the fluff layer. • Richard Purdon advised that this had always been a problem at Burwood and that perhaps more effort was required. • Robin questioned the effectiveness of daily cover. • Alec was concerned about vermin and the particular concern to the farming community on this matter. • Richard read the actual wording of the relevant consent and advised that his experience had shown that it was very difficult to comply with. • General discussion followed on the subject – plastic wrap tended to rip on the fluff layer. • Robin queried the construction and certification of the water-supply dam. • Martin explained the commissioning test procedure and that basically there was still insufficient water in the dam to test it effectively. • Alec asked about the higher upper limit for pH at the dams. • Mark gave an explanation of the situation with regard to the use of lime-rock as armouring to the dams as well as the limitations of this sort of instrumentation. • Alec enquired about the hydration of the liner (sect. 5.8). • Mark explained the processes and consequences of excessive hydration. • Martin also referred back to the original hearings and T&T submissions.

6.3	<p>Landfill Annual Report.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin explained that the report was currently with council and would be put onto CD once finalised. Judith advised that it would also be made available on the HDC website. • Richard told the group that he would complete his Compliance Report soon after the Landfill Annual Report was completed, as his relied on information in that document.
7	<p>Landfill Construction Programme</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Martin reiterated the construction programme explained previously and that phase 2 construction was about to start. Earthworks would be completed over the coming summer with the liner being laid between September and December next year. There was some discussion on the subject.
8	<p>General Business</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Richard Purdon thanked CWS for picking up the "fly-dumped" rubbish at the Waipara river bridge. • Robin Gardiner said that he had seen many vehicles exceeding the 30kph roadworks speed limit on Mt Cass Rd. He felt the rules were not being adhered to – particularly by CWS vehicles. • Robin Gardiner raised the subject of screens to the lighting on the Facilities platform. "Were screen plants going to be put in?" Martin said that planting was about to start. Robin asked how long this was going to take as the lights were visible from Barbara's Gate and the dips on Mt Cass Rd. • Robin Gardiner enquired about developments with the proposed Windfarm on Mt Cass. He understood Transwaste had taken a digger through DOC land without permission. Martin explained that Transwaste were entitled to do this on their own land but acknowledged that DOC had not been consulted. • Alec Baxter asked when Transwaste and Hurunui District Council were going to get together to resolve issues related to the maintenance of Mt Cass Rd. Martin advised that this was happening and that Transit subsidies were being investigated. He also said that Transwaste would maintain the road until 2008. • Alec sought any other general business and no matters were raised • Alec thanked Mark and Bruce for their input at the meeting. • A colour copy of the Landfill Annual Report was given to the chairman by Martin.
9	<p>Site Inspection</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The landfill operational area was inspected by the group at the conclusion of the meeting (approx. 18:15pm).
10	<p>Next Meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The next meeting is proposed for 5:00pm Monday 15 January 2007.