

Minutes
Redvale Landfill
Community Liaison Committee Meeting
Held at the Redvale Landfill Office - Monday 22/3/2021 at 6:30pm

Site tour, 6pm with Blair: A McNeil, B Gibbs & L Johnston

Welcome: 6:30pm: Warwick Hojem

Present: W Hojem, L Johnston, B Macfarlane, J Hutchinson, B Gibbs, A McNeil, J Jefferis, S Lee, S Walker, A Pattle, A Nicholas, D Marshall, S Dryland, M Walstra

Additional Attendees:

- Christine & Kerry – 162 Richards Rd
- Linda – 19 Richards Road
- Trisha & Tony – 224 Richards Road
- Liz & Laurence – 158 Richards Road

Apologies: N de Witte, M Drury, M Joubert

Absent: K Storie

Minutes previous meeting: Circulated

Minutes be accepted as a true and correct record – B Gibbs

Seconded – J Hutchinson

Blair welcomes Marjolein Walstra as Compliance Coordinator

W Hojem gives brief explanation around understanding postponement of meeting due to various Covid19 alert level changes

Correspondence In:

- B Gibbs emails asking J Jefferis for clarification regarding Stockpile 4 extension (17/11)
- J Jefferis replies to B Gibbs regarding above (17/11) and both N de Witte and B Gibbs respond (17/11)
- J Hutchinson emails with more feedback around Stockpile 4 (19/11)
- W Hojem asks if the CLC has a constitution and how many members can represent the community (3/12)
- W Hojem email to S Dryland, B Macfarlane and J Jefferis responding to his question regarding consent composition of the CLC (5/12)
- Email from J Hutchinson asking what Jim's plans are for next meeting (5/2)
- Email from J Hutchinson clarifying what she meant in her previous email & that Richards Road residents will be attending (10/2)
- Email from J Hutchinson outlining names of Richard Rd attendees (12/2)
- Email from B Kapea regarding Redvale Aftercare (4/3)
- Email from L Johnston to J Jefferis (18/3)

Correspondence Out:

- Odour Suppressant SDS from B Macfarlane sent to W Hojem (22/9)
- Odour Suppressant SDS from W Hojem sent to all (23/9)
- Request for feedback from D Gautam regarding resource application for stockpile 4 and Redvale Managed Fill sent to all (12/10)

- Copy of Resource consent application lodgement for Redvale Managed Fill site sent to all (3/11)

Matters arising:

Jim Jefferis – WMNZ Technical Manager

Stockpile 4 / Benevap / LMP (Landfill Management Plan)

Stockpile 4

- Site is running short on stock
- Plans to start using Stockpile 4 later this year
- 2028 will end activity on Stockpile 4
- Stockpile 4 holds mainly mudstone
- There will be a sequence of 5 sections that will be worked on. Each area will be progressively stabilised before moving onto the next section.
- Operation hours are planned for 7am – 6pm on weekdays and 8am – 2pm on Saturdays
- J Hutchinson would like to see no work on Stockpile 4 on Saturdays. J Jefferis cannot promise this but will take into consideration. Should noise become an issue, which is J Hutchinson’s concern, we will seek more assessments of noise.
- Richards Rd resident, Christine, asks about access to Bypass Road whilst work is taking place. Both Blair and Jim agree that it’s highly unlikely residents or any member of the public will have access to the road for safety reasons. It will be discussed and assessed whether or not anyone can use the road outside of operating hours.
- Questions around when Paper Road was sold to WMNZ – *Since confirmed as 30th November 2018*
- B Macfarlane confirms that Redvale have no issues with locals accessing the Bypass Road however safety and security are paramount and non-negotiable. Past issues with locks being cut off gates etc are a major concern.
- Visual assessment being done by Boffa Miskell
- Stormwater will be redirected but concerns by Richards Rd residents that the stream is full of broken tree branches and debris
- B Gibbs would like to see a landscape plan. J Jefferis unsure if there will be one but assures everyone it will not leave a scar on the site
- Trees WMNZ have planted in the past have since died along Richards Rd boundary. Residents want to know how we plan to take care of replanted trees around Stockpile 4 and would like to know what types of trees specifically
- Operational noise is of concern to J Hutchinson and would like to know what kind of machinery we plan to use. Jim suggests 45T excavators and ADTs. Reiterates that excessive noise must be notified to us
- Consideration will be taken when/if operating on public holidays
- Redvale to check reversing noise on plant
- J Hutchinson brings up vibrations, J Jefferis says this should be controlled
- B Gibbs concerned about dust travelling further than 350m. Believes Redvale should consider the community beyond minimum consent conditions and would like to know what Redvale will do to monitor this environmentally.
- J Jefferis clarifies we will suppress dust with Redvales watercart and that we currently do not have a dust problem
- W Hojem asks if there is a certain wind speed that would stop our operations. J Jefferis confirms that yes, we would stop if the wind is determined to be an issue

- Community asked to call Redvale and Auckland Council if dust becomes a problem
- Patrol is done daily by Redvale to monitor odour / noise / dust beyond our boundary

Benevap

- J Jefferis explains how the old LEU worked and how the newer Benevap works
- J Hutchinson says the Benevap plume should be incinerated, she can smell it and concerned it's escaping our boundary. She also states it is 'toxic' and that the reason Waste Management want to move it from its current location is that it is toxic to our Workers. When challenged she states that is what WMNZ wrote in the Consent application. J Jefferis assures everyone it is not toxic and that the unit is simply being moved 50m because the plume is distracting for the workers beneath. The unit was never designed to stay where it currently is, just during the trial. The plume contains only what can be found in the environment naturally.
- Consent application is re-read by J Hutchinson and S Lee - confirmed it does not state the plume is toxic
- No comparison available between LEU and Benevap as there were no tests done on LEU prior to Benevap installation but does meet NZ guidelines for ambient air quality
- Maintenance underway to fix the noise coming from the blower
- A McNeil asks why we can't have monitoring at the boundary. J Jefferis says it will give the same reading. A McNeil wants a result from the school. J Jefferis says it wouldn't be accurate as any tests that far away would pick up other things, such as from the road, and wouldn't produce a clear result. D Marshall isn't concerned from a school perspective.
- Any Mercury goes back into landfill
- AC are responding to J Hutchinson regarding odour from Benevap

Jim discussed the latest changes to the Landfill Management Plan

Operations report: B Macfarlane

- Blair referred to comments made at the last meeting about Asbestos and clarified the process for us accepting the material and how it's disposed. Customers provide a report. Triple wrapped in polythene, tipped off and immediately buried. Both Redvale ACM staff wear monitors and appropriate PPE. Redvale lab test the area consistently and have never found airborne asbestos exceeding safe levels.
- New cell has been drained and ready for fluff layer. Splitting loads between two cells.
- New cell to be ready by winter
- Final cap of clay is underway on top. Then it's to be hydro seeded. Cap is approx. 1-2m thick and 4m in some places
- Approx. 4000T of waste through the gates per month. Half topsoils and clay and half general waste
- Construction on final cell nearing completion
- B Macfarlane discusses odour management – expecting more T-Bars mid to late April. 2 staff now maintaining (rather than 1 previously). Vinegar being used to unclog blocked nozzles.
- No gas odour as of late
- Due to an increase of odour complaints over February this was escalated to HSE management who undertook a review.

Complaints:

- Updated register was circulated.

Regulatory Issues:**General Business:**

- S Lee raises the option of virtual meetings if Covid impacts again. It's felt that face to face meetings are best and postponed in the first instance. However virtual is better than nothing should postponement drag on for too long.
- J Jefferis to inform CLC on the decision made by the planner regarding the notification decision for the Benevap consent.

Next meeting date: May 17th, Aug 16th, Nov 15th
Christmas dinner: Nov 29th

Meeting closed: 9:04pm

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