Horowhenua Refuse Disposal

Update on progress
Report to the PMG
3 February 2021



Workstream progress

- Landfill Agreement
- Communications
- Contract extension
- Business Case process
- Wellbeing analysis
- S17A/regionalisation options
- Procurement process
- Levels of Service



Levin Landfill Closure – part 1

11. LEVIN LANDFILL CLOSURE

- 11.1 The process to determine the closure date for the Levin Landfill is:
 - (a) HDC's chief executive will recommend to the council a closure date for the Levin Landfill of, at the latest, 31 December 2025;
 - (b) the TAG landfill experts in clause 6.3 shall, within 3 months of the scope being set in accordance with (c), complete a review as to potential closure dates date of the Levin Landfill and whether an earlier closure date than in (a) is feasible given the performance of the landfill, the availability of alternative options and the affordability to the community;
 - (c) the scope of the review shall be determined by the PMG in discussions with the experts, in accordance with clause 5.6. If agreement is not reached within 2 weeks, the scope will be set by HDC, in line with (b) and in discussions with the TAG landfill experts;



Levin Landfill Closure – part 2

- (d) the TAG landfill experts shall produce a report of their review under, and within the timeframes of (b), including a clear recommendation as to the recommended closure date with reasons why, and provide it to the PMG;
- (e) HDC shall:
 - (i) commission a social assessment on the social effects of the closure date for the Levin Landfill from an independent suitably qualified expert; and
 - (ii) request a cultural assessment from each of Ngāti Pareraukawa and Muaūpoko as to the cultural effects of the closure date for the Levin Landfill.
- (f) the assessment(s) in (e) shall be provided to HDC within 3 months of being commissioned or requested. If no assessment(s) is provided under (e)(ii) within that time then the process under (g) to (i) shall continue.
- (g) within 1 month of receipt of the reports by HDC in accordance with (d), (e) and (f) the PMG shall meet to consider them and the two CNLG representatives shall provide a CNLG recommendation in writing to HDC within 5 working days of that meeting;



Levin Landfill Closure – part 3

- (h) the recommendation under (a) (or an earlier date), the report under (d), the assessments under (e), the recommendation under (g), and an officer's report and recommendation (which will comply with all statutory requirements) will be provided to HDC councillors at the next council meeting after these requirements have been completed; and
- (i) having complied with all statutory requirements, HDC councillors will decide, at the council
 meeting in (h), on the final closure date for the Levin Landfill.
- 11.2 HDC agrees that the date agreed by the councillors in clause 11.1(i), is the latest date that the Levin Landfill will be Closed.
- 11.3 The Parties acknowledge that the final closure date is for the councillors to determine in accordance with all statutory requirements, including the Local Government Act 2002.



Landfill – potential closure dates



Nov 2021 End of operations contract

31 December 2025

Latest date that will not trigger the expiry of the Landfill Agreement

May 2037

Expiry of landfill consent (or earlier if landfill capacity reached)



Request for Proposal

- This will be a competitive procurement process
- It is proposed that three options are included, as follows:



Evaluation process

- Tenderers can submit proposals for 1, 2 or 3 of the Options, or propose alternatives
- The Proposal Evaluation Team will evaluate the proposals and select the preferred tender for each Option
- The financial information from the preferred tenderers will be used as part of the financial model for the Business Case
- The Business Case will also include:
 - The wellbeing analysis (social, cultural, environmental, economic)
 - Other Council costs
 - Risk assessment
- Council will decide on an option
- The contract will be awarded to the preferred tenderer for that option



Council decision and SCP

- HDC's Chief Executive will recommend a closure date to Council
- The Morrison Solutions' Business Case and the officer's report will be presented
- Council will identify its preferred option for the landfill closure date
- A Special Consultative Procedure may be required for all options due to the impact of the decision
- Once Council has received and considered the views of the community, it will then make its final decision on the closure date
- The refuse disposal contract will then be awarded



Wellbeing assessment

- BERL is being commissioned to complete the wellbeing assessment
- Their proposal has three stages:
 - Desktop assessment
 - Community engagement
 - Semi-structured interviews with individuals and small groups
 - Wellbeing assessment of tenders
- A multi-criteria assessment will be used to present the outcome of the wellbeing analysis



Wellbeing assessment

- Wellbeing will be considered twice in the assessment:
 - Firstly in the comparison of tenders within each scenario e.g. a commitment from a tenderer to provide additional environmental measures
 - Secondly between scenarios e.g. the social benefits of an earlier closure date

