

## Neighbourhood Liaison Group Meeting

# MINUTES

Minutes of a meeting of the Neighbourhood Liaison Group (NLG) held in the Ante Room, Horowhenua District Council, Oxford Street Levin on 20 April 2021 at 6.00pm.

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### IN ATTENDANCE:

**Facilitator: Jenny Rowan**

Viv Bold

Trevor Hinder

David Moore

Rachel Selby

Charles Rudd

Trevor Hinder

Asli Crawford (HDC)

Phil Landmark (Stantec)

Geoff Keith

Vicki Compton

David Moore

Adam Hynes (HRC)

Jack Warren

Natasha Breen (HDC) Meeting Secretary

### Welcome and Opening Karakia

Jenny welcomed attendees to the meeting and asked David Moore to open the meeting with a Karakia.

Jenny gave her apologies for the short notice cancelling the meeting last week

### Apologies

David Clapperton, Pataka Moore, Eugene Henare, Peter Everton

### Matters arising from previous meeting

#### Levin Landfill Compliance Review

Adam advised this review has been delayed due to the following reasons:

- Change in Officer from Hamish to Adam
- Adam familiarising himself with the consent conditions and coming up to speed
- Monitoring results have been sent to an external party for independent review
- Tidying up Consent Conditions

Adam expects to have the report issued May/June.

Trevor referred to the last Quarterly Report from HDC which contained non-compliance's and noted nothing happens as a result.

Adam responded that non-compliance's get recorded and advised the consent allows for exceedances as long as these are explained. Adam clarified the difference between an exceedance and a breach.

David M said that the NLG was given assurance that this report would be issued in February 2021 (it was due September 2020).

Adam replied that HRC do not give assurance on when a report will be ready.

Both David and Jenny said this was completely unacceptable and noted a complete lack of confidence in HRC's ability to monitor and police these consents.

**Moved:** David Moore

**Seconded:** Trevor Hinder

*"THAT* the Community Members of NLG send a letter to HRC CEO, Chairman, Local MP and the Ministry of the Environment expressing a complete lack of confidence in monitoring, policing and reporting of Landfill Consents in recent years"

Adam said he is probably not aware of the complete background and advised he is doing his utmost to ensure any breaches are recorded with any appropriate action taken.

David M said there should be a Senior Manager from HRC present and suggested that Adam report back to HRC and tell his managers how badly they have let the NLG down again.

Phil Landmark noted that in their report it is noted whether an exceedance is significant or not.

Jenny asked Adam to please not take the criticism personally.

It was noted that Asli voted against the motion.

**CARRIED**

### **Odour Complaints**

Adam explained the process of when a complaint is received. The Officer will drive to the incident (unless the Officer is already attending another incident) they will speak to the person that made the complaint and then make an assessment. If they find an odour, they will do an odour assessment (10 minute). Then a determination is made if the odour objectionable, if not it is still recorded like it is an incident

Trevor noted he had suggested for an HDC Elected Member to attend an odour complaint.

Asli noted that options for a suitable person to attend odour complaints will be explored and hopes to report back around July. Asli will work with Adam.

David M asked if, as part of the odour assessment is there a correlation between odour being detected and an issue at the Landfill.

Asli responded that proactive odour assessments are in place and NLG members asked where this information is reported.

Adam responded that it may be part of the new consents reporting and will investigate.

#### RMA Variation on the Flare

Asli advised that the consent variation paperwork has been completed and the application will be lodged next week.

#### Wetland Development

David M advised he understood there was a report coming on the Tatana Wetland being filled in.

Adam responded that he understands Hamish went to the Tatana Land to make an assessment but is not aware of the outcome.

Trevor requested to hear back from HRC on the Tatana Drain.

#### Capping Improvement

David M noted the current Landfill mountain is getting higher and higher and asked when is it too high?

Phil Landmark responded it is a redesign, the shape has been checked for stability and has an ultimate height of 50 metres. There is a limited area available for trucks to turn, truck n trailers do not go up any more, they go to Bonny Glen.

Jenny said it must get to a point where there will be no more room, and asked Asli what is happening

Asli responded that the PMG are looking at future of the Landfill.

Geoff said that from the Community perspective, it is now 2 years and we have not seen any progress to the Landfill Agreement.

There was group discussion on this.

Jenny noted this would be raised at the meeting tomorrow evening.

David M stated that Asli undertook to do repair capping on the old Landfill.

Asli advised this has been completed and provided information to HRC

#### Information to NLG to include what high levels of Boron would mean to the Community

Phil Landmark disseminated and spoke to a report he prepared with information/response on Boron.

Phil advised that the results, aside from a maximum value in January 1997, have all been around the region of 0.06 - satisfactory.

There was discussion on the significance of the levels.

Trevor noted that if you were in industry, and a sample was out, you would be taking samples every hour until it was under control.

Vlcki said that they want to see a dot graph showing results of every time it was taken.

Phil responded that sampling in the Hokio Stream is taking place monthly, once that drops off it will be every quarter and that every report contains graphs that show how the indicators have tracked.

Jenny said The Community see the whole Landfill Site as an issue and are worried about Leachate coming out of old Landfill.

Geoff referred to continuous flow monitoring and asked if there was an appetite for it, so you don't have these gaps.

Phil responded that there is continuous monitoring, but only of certain parameters, and he is not aware of continuous monitoring of things like heavy metals as they require samples to be taken and analysed in a lab.

## **Odour Management Plan**

Phil Landmark gave a power point presentation to the meeting attendees with an overview of the Odour Management Plan.

PDP considers that the Odour Management Plan and the Landfill Plan are fit for purpose and meet the requirements as per consent 6011, subject to addressing procedures onsite for meteorological monitoring.

Geoff asked Phil if he thinks HDC are meeting best practice with the recommendations that have been accepted.

Phil responded he thinks HDC are meeting good practice, if HDC were meeting best practice it would require things to be done that are over and above.

Geoff responded that there could be good reasons for the recommendations and hopes there are not too many safety measures that have been discounted.

Phil responded the safety measures are in the Resource Consent conditions.

Asli said that HDC are consulting with the NLG and that it will be a step-by-step approach.

David M advised that HRC are now saying that you cannot make an odour complaint from the road.

Adam replied that is incorrect, you can make a complaint from the road, and said he has responded to a complaint from the road himself.

Asli noted that boundary monitoring is in place.

Jenny said that we have to make this stuff work to stop odour at the boundary.

Geoff said that the NLG has supported this, but now feels in a position of being asked to accept a level of technical decision making that they cannot interrogate.

Phil responded that the NLG is welcome to look at his comments he has sent to HRC.

Jenny said that as a Group the NLG support it, however, tonight has been an update and is not consultation and would like the reasoning of how this was come to.

Vicki said that the NLG would like to know what was recommended for the last two bullet points, the NLG can then decide if they think it is worth going to best practice and if so have a conversation about it.

**Moved:** Trevor Hinder

Seconded: Geoff Keith

“*THAT* the Odour Management Plan is adopted as an interim plan to be revisited at the next NLG Meeting”

**CARRIED**

David M stated in his opinion is this is too little to late and as Community we have put up with hundreds of odour complaints that have largely been ignored or minimised. Now, finally 19 years after the Landfill opened there is an Odour Management Plan.

Stantec’s response to Paddle Delamore Partners Limited (PDP) review and recommendations for the Odour Management Plan will be disseminated to the NLG to provide feedback by 30 May 2021.

### **Invitation to Witness Landfill Monitoring as per Consent 6010, Condition 3U**

The Permit Holder shall invite NLG to nominate a representative who shall, at the person's own cost, be permitted to observe the quarterly and six monthly monitoring referred to in Table C.

**Table C: Other Water Monitoring Locations, Frequencies and Parameters**

<b>Location</b>	<b>Parameters and frequency</b>
HS1	Monthly comprehensive for comparison purposes with HS1A. Monitoring to be discontinued after 2 years
HS1A, HS2, HS3	<u>Monthly</u> comprehensive for 2 years <i>Subsequently, conditional</i> Six monthly comprehensive Quarterly indicator
TD1	Six monthly comprehensive Quarterly Indicator
Leachate Pond Outlet	Monthly comprehensive for 2 years Six monthly pesticide / semi VOC <i>Subsequently, conditional</i> Six monthly comprehensive Quarterly indicator Annual pesticide / semi VOC

Jenny advised that they will think about it and come back with a name for the next NLG Meeting.

### **Other Items for Discussion**

Nothing raised.

### Meeting Closure and Karakia

David Moore closed the meeting with a Karakia

### Next Meeting Date

To be decided after the briefing with Morrison Solutions takes place tomorrow evening.

### ACTION LIST

Action Item	Person/s Responsible	Status
Provide feedback on Stantec's response to Paddle Delamore Partners Limited (PDP) review and recommendations for the Odour Management Plan by 30 May 2021	NLG Members	
Send Stantec's response to Paddle Delamore Partners Limited (PDP) review and recommendations for the Odour Management Plan to NLG	Asli/Natasha	<b>Complete</b> Sent 22 April 2021