

Submission Form 16 to the Otago Regional Council on consent applications

This is a Submission on (a) limited notified/publicly notified resource consent application/s pursuant to the Resource Management Act 1991.

Submitter Details:

(please print clearly)

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I/ we wish to **SUPPORT** / **OPPOSE** / submit a **NEUTRAL** submission on (circle one) the application of:

Applicant's Name: Dunedin City Council

And/or Organisation:

Application Number: RM20.280

Location: Smooth Hill

Purpose: Landfill

The specific parts of the application/s that my submission relates to are: *(Give details)*

- Risk of Water Contamination and reduced flow of Otokia creek – with the landfill being located at the headwater of Otokia creek there is far more than minor risk of contamination.
- The application does not align with the National Environmental Standards for Fresh water – the fact that the DCC logged the application 4 days before the regulations changed making it prohibited is outrageous
- Damage to Wildlife and Wetlands – there is much wildlife in smooth hill and surrounds including Skinks, Falcons (both at risk) as well as a lot of other bird and fish. The proposed landfill puts these at risk. Water contamination and reduced water levels are of real concern.
- Loss of Recreation value of the area – residents not feeling safe swimming in the creek, Big Stone Road is currently used for biking, horse riding and general exercise.

- **Loss of Community Wellbeing – fear of pollution, feeling that it isn't safe to use Otokia creek due to possible leachate, not feeling safe in our community**
- **Lack of recent consultation – the demographic of the area and environmental awareness has changed much over the last 30 years, this is no longer the best solution, other options need to be considered.**
- **Possible Risk of further pollution coursed by the Akatore fault line (expected to hit 7.4 magnitude) – (not identified in the original Geotech assessment (pg. 8 Appendix 6 – Geotechnical factual report))**

- **The proposal does not seem to align with the DCC Waste Minimisation targets**
- **Increased Traffic through the Brighton community during the construction of the Landfill**
- **Fire Risk – possible increase in fire risk to neighbouring properties due to Landfill activity**
- **The future likelihood of having Leachate piped to Brighton via public roads is not acceptable (Pg. 7 Section 95 Notification Report). This indicate that the amount of leachate produced by the landfill is likely to be large, again highlighting much more that minor risk.**

My/Our submission is (include: whether you support or oppose the application or specific parts of it, whether you are neutral regarding the application or specific parts of it and the reasons for your views).

I am a resident of Brighton and strongly oppose the application. The proposed landfill puts our local environment and community wellbeing at risk. My family and I live in Brighton as we love being able to use the beach and Otokia creek for recreational purposes. If the landfill goes ahead, I will not feel safe letting my children use the waterways due to the risk of pollution and reduced flow. The risk is far from minor when the headwater of Otokia creek is within the Smooth hill landfill site. I wish to protect the safety of my family, community, and generations to come. It concerns me that this proposal does not appear to align with environmental protection objectives of our time.

I/We seek the following decision from the consent authority (give precise details, including the general nature of any conditions sought)

PLEASE DO NOT GIVE CONSENT. This is not right location for a landfill. The DCC needs to find a better solution. Our wetlands environment and community need to be protected.

I/we:

- Wish to be heard in support of our/my submission
 ~~Not wish to be heard in support of our/my submission~~

If others make a similar submission, I/we will consider presenting a joint case with them at a hearing.

- Yes
 ~~No~~

I, ~~am~~ **am not** (choose one) a trade competitor* of the applicant (for the purposes of Section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991).

**If trade competitor chosen, please complete the next statement, otherwise leave blank.*

I, ~~am~~ **am not** (choose one) directly affected by an effect as a result of the proposed activity in the application that:

- a) adversely affects the environment; and
b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

I, ~~do~~ **do not** (choose one) wish to be involved in any pre-hearing meeting that may be held for this application.

I ~~do~~ **do not** request* that the local authority delegates its functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to 1 or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.

I ~~have~~ **have not** served a copy of my submission on the applicant.



2nd November 2021

Signature/s of submitter/s

(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter/s)

(Date)