

STATEMENT OF EVIDENCE,  
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Notes on issues raised in submitters evidence.

- Some submissions have raised the concept of disposing different classes of wastes to different landfill facilities, both within and outside of the Dunedin district
- Dunedin City Council has explored multiple options for waste disposal during feasibility studies conducted as part of the business case process for Smooth Hill. These investigations included options both within and outside of the Dunedin district, and have determined that alternative options to Smooth Hill pose significant challenges and risks, which include the export of waste out of district being unacceptable to mana whenua
- In particular, some submitters appear to have assumed that it will be possible to remove all putrescible waste from the general waste stream prior to disposal. Although DCC has already committed to separating putrescible waste to the greatest extent possible, achieving complete separation would require a screening process that is impossible to implement; therefore, disposal of residual general waste must be to a class one facility
- In addition, some submissions have also raised the concept of an increase to the landfill footprint of the existing Green Island landfill. Once again, this option has been investigated and discounted during the business case process due to the significant and costly engineering challenges that would need to be overcome for a significant expansion of the site, as well as the Te Rūnanga o Ōtākou desire for the Green Island landfill to be closed as soon as practicable.