

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

Do not proceed with the proposed

landfill at Owoath Hill

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 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.



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

07/11/21

(Date)

Notes to the submitter

If you are making a submission to the Environmental Protection Authority, you should use form 16B.

The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as is reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

Privacy: Please note that submissions are public. Your name and submission will be included in papers that are available to the media and the public, including publication on the Council website. Your submission will only be used for the purpose of the notified resource consent process

If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in Part 11A of the Resource Management Act 1991.

If you make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.

You may not make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991 in relation to an application for a coastal permit to carry out an activity that a regional coastal plan describes as a restricted coastal activity.

Please note that your submission (or part of your submission) may be struck out if the authority is satisfied that at least 1 of the following applies to the submission (or part of the submission):

- it is frivolous or vexatious:
- it discloses no reasonable or relevant case:
- it would be an abuse of the hearing process to allow the submission (or the part) to be taken further:
- it contains offensive language:
- it is supported only by material that purports to be independent expert evidence, but has been prepared by a person who is not independent or who does not have sufficient specialised knowledge or skill to give expert advice on the matter.

The address for service for the Consent Authority is:

Otago Regional Council, Private Bag 1954, Dunedin, 9054
or by email to submissions@orc.govt.nz

To the Dunedin City Council.

**I submit this opposition to RM20 – 280
Relating to the proposed landfill at Smooth Hill for your records.**

I am opposed to the proposed Smooth Hill Landfill for the following reasons:

I visit Brighton and use the beach for recreational purposes. My family swim and surf and relax at the beach at least once a week for recreational purposes. It's an incredible place to live with the beach, creek and surrounding hills and walks.

My Granddaughter is a Surf Life Guard at the Brighton Surf Life Saving Club. The club is set up at Brighton Beach, as the beach & creek is a popular swimming beach that appeals to families, school groups and travellers from out of the area – as well as being often utilised/visited by locals. It is a gorgeous beach that attracts car/bus loads of people for school water safety programmes, SLS carnivals, Volleyball tournaments... and so on. The creek is a safe and attractive place to introduce water safety to infants and children.

I read that the DCCs application for Smooth Hill includes the ability to take hazardous substances – such as waste chemicals, asbestos and hospital waste? While the DCC say there is 'low' risk of contaminants getting into the creek, surely any risk is too much?

The Smooth Hill application also acknowledges that the landfill is at the headwaters of the Stream and that wetlands will be drained – an activity that would be prohibited now under the National Environmental Standards for Freshwater. In this day with a better understanding of our environment, why couldn't they find a better site where wetlands aren't present?

Should the landfill go ahead, I would not feel safe using the creek at beach like I have. This will ruin my Brighton lifestyle. My Brighton community and surrounds would feel tainted on numerous levels.

I am also stressed about the impact on property value if Brighton becomes an undesirable place to live because of contamination concerns. We aren't alone in these fears, this could have a seriously negative impact on this beautiful little community.

Earthquake. In 2020 the Otago Daily Times reported that there was a new fault-line discovered along the East Coast between Taieri Mouth and Brighton – the Akatore fault-line which is believed to have a likely magnitude of 7.4 and is only 6 kilometres from the landfill site.

Surely a fault-line this close to the landfill is madness!? If an earthquake did happen the liner would not withstand being this close to it and the effects on the environment catastrophic. Especially given we know that the DCC plan on taking all sorts of hazardous materials, including things like asbestos and poisons that literally never degrade.

While it may not happen in my lifetime, it's reasonable to assume it will happen in the future generation's lifetime – I feel sick that the DCC may leave this legacy for my children, and children's children to clean up.

To the Dunedin City Council, I beg you, please **DO NOT PROCEED** with this ridiculous and outdated concept of a landfill on Smooth Hill. Please consider other more thoughtful options that will not leave a harmful and long lasting legacy. This is an opportunity to show the country, and the world, that Dunedin is forward thinking and environmentally conscious. This is an opportunity to do better.

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