AUCKLAND UNITARY PLAN INDEPENDENT HEARINGS PANEL

Te Paepae Kaiwawao Motuhake o te Mahere Kotahitanga o Tāmaki Makaurau

Report to Auckland Council Hearing topic 074 Designations

Auckland Council

Minor matters and errors

Designation 612 Whitford Landfill

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1. Introduction

The purpose of this report is to provide an assessment and recommendation in relation to modifications to and submissions on designations classified by the Independent Hearings Panel as minor matters and errors. This classification applies where there is a:

- i. modification to a designation and no submissions;
- ii. rollover of a designation with no modification and submissions lodged by the requiring authority or others (submissions to correct errors or address minor matters);
- modification to a designation and submissions lodged by the requiring authority or others (modifications address minor matters and submissions to correct errors or address minor matters);
- iv. where the modification involves changes to the boundary to incorporate additional land and the requiring authority has an interest in the land sufficient for undertaking the proposed work.

2. Assessment

Errors do not require an assessment. The assessment applies the following criteria.

Does the modification/submission:

- i. involve no more than a minor change to the effects on the environment associated with the use or proposed use of land or any water concerned? or
- ii. involve only minor changes or adjustments to the boundaries of the designation?

See section 6 of this report for the application of these criteria to the individual designations.

On the basis of the assessment, this report concludes that the modifications and designations in section 6 meet the above criteria.

3. Recommendation to Panel

That the Panel recommends to Auckland Council the modifications/designation be confirmed as set out in section 6.

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Date	24 August 2015 (Updated 5 October 2015 and 21 January 2016)

4. Panel recommendations to Auckland Council

The Auckland Unitary Plan Independent Hearings Panel recommends that Auckland Council confirms Designation 612 subject to the further modifications in Attachment 1.

5. Panel reasons

The reasons for the Panel's recommendation are set out in section 6 below.

Panel Chair	David Kirkpatrick			
Chair's Signature	Slikpath			
Date	18 May 2016			

6. Assessment of modifications and designations

Requiring authority	Auckland Council
Designation number	612: Whitford Landfill
Designation purpose	Rule 10.2.8.1.1 Whitford Landfill Landfilling Designation (Zone 1): Purposes
	a. Subject to the conditions set out in Rule 10.2.8.1.1.1, the area shown as "Zone 1" in Figure 10.2.1 may be used for the purposes of: A refuse landfill and for the ponding and disposal of leachate Recycling and composting Residents' transfer station Recreational paths Other activities ancillary to the above activities;
	b. In these conditions "Landfill Operator" means the Manukau City Council in its capacity as operator of the Whitford Landfill; and also includes a Local Authority Trading Enterprise (LATE) and where the LATE is not a company, the members of the LATE; or other successor or successors as operator of the Whitford Landfill.
	Explanation: The Whitford Landfill has been designated for many years. In 2005 a Notice of Requirement was sought to alter the existing designation in order to increase the life of the Landfill beyond 2014. The Council decided that the new timeframe would allow landfilling for approximately 35 years, to coincide with the expiry date of Auckland Regional Council consents. The landfill area is shown in Figure 10.2.1.
	The designation is identified by four areas which are referred to as Landfill Zones 1, 2, 3 and Landfill Zone 1/Quarry. Each zone is also referred by descriptive names, such as "Excavation of Cover Material Designation".
	Zone 1 and Landfill Zone 1/Quarry make provision for the disposal of refuse during the planning period having regard to the topography of the land, so that while full use can be made of material available within the area for covering refuse, the operation can be conducted with a minimum of detraction from the amenities of the neighbourhood. The combined areas currently designated at Whitford for landfill purposes (Zone 1 and Landfill Zone 1/Quarry) have a life of approximately 35 years.
	The southern part of the designation, Zone 2 known as the "O'Brien Property" was purchased by the Council as a source of additional cover material, to the landfill, with the purpose of reducing the traffic and other effects of importing cover material from elsewhere.
	The northern part of the designation, Zone 3 known as

	"Curries Farm", was purchased by the Council for the spray irrigation of leachate from the landfill. On 21 November 1994 Manukau City Council granted a resource consent for the spray irrigation of treated leachate on to part of the land in the northern part of the designation. Special conditions and restrictions are set out for each of the zones of the designated area for the future protection of the amenities of the area. Council has undertaken the realignment and upgrading of sections of Ormiston Road in order to improve the principal route to the landfill and for the benefit of other road users. The Landfill Operator also has a number of consents from the Auckland Regional Council covering aspects of the landfill activities. The rules in this Plan complement the conditions of the Auckland Regional Council consents and Council will take the Auckland Regional Council consents into account.
	Recognising the need for correct loading of trucks and trailers carrying refuse through the City, access roads leading to the designated area will be patrolled at regular intervals (including weekends), by Council, and it will enforce its powers under its Bylaws and the Litter Act 1979.
Location	373 Whitford-Maraetai Road, Whitford.
Designation given effect to	Given effect to.
Lapse date in operative plan if not marked as 'given effect to" in the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan	NA
Land owned by the requiring authority	Land is owned by the requiring authority.
Description of the modification in the rollover	NA
Assessment of rollover modifications and reasons	NA
Submitters and summary of relief sought in submissions	The submission from Council replaces references to the former legacy councils with Auckland Council. This involves no more than a minor change to the effects on the environment associated with the use or proposed use of land or any water concerned.
	878-1 Waste Disposal Services: Amend Designation 612 for the Whitford Landfill under the heading 'right of access' to correctly refer to 350,000 tonnes per annum under bullet points two and three.
Assessment of submissions and reasons	The submission by Waste Disposal Services corrects a typographical error. This correction involves no more than a minor change to the effects on the environment associated with the use or proposed use of land or any water concerned.
Recommendation to Panel	That the Panel recommends to Council that the designation set out in section 6 is confirmed subject to the further

	modifications in Attachment 1		
Response from requiring authority	Agrees with the above recommendations to Panel.		
Recommendation from Panel	The Panel agrees with the report writer's recommendations.		
Reasons	The Panel agrees with the report writer's reasons.		

7. Attachment 1 changes to text of the Proposed Auckland Unitary Plan

612 Whitford Landfill

Designation Number	612		
Requiring Authority	Auckland Council		
Location 373 Whitford-Maraetai Road, Whitford			
Rollover Designation	Yes		
Legacy Reference	Designation 229, Auckland Council District Plan (Manukau Section) 2002		
Lapse date	Given effect to (i.e. no lapse date)		

Purpose

Rule 10.2.8.1.1 Whitford Landfill Landfilling Designation (Zone 1): Purposes

- a. Subject to the conditions set out in Rule 10.2.8.1.1.1, the area shown as "Zone 1" in Figure 10.2.1 may be used for the purposes of:
- · A refuse landfill and for the ponding and disposal of leachate
- Recycling and composting
- Residents' transfer station
- Recreational paths
- Other activities ancillary to the above activities

b. In these conditions "Landfill Operator" means the Manukau City Council Auckland Council in its capacity as operator of the Whitford Landfill; and also includes any agent operator of the Auckland Council Local Authority Trading Enterprise (LATE) and where the LATE is not a company, the members of the LATE; or other successor or successors as operator of the Whitford Landfill.

Explanation:

The Whitford Landfill has been designated for many years. In 2005 a Notice of Requirement was sought to alter the existing designation in order to increase the life of the Landfill beyond 2014. The Council decided that the new time frame would allow landfilling for approximately 35 years, to coincide with the expiry date of ARC the regional consents. The landfill area is shown in Figure 10.2.1.

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"Excavation of Cover Material Designation".

Zone 1 and Landfill Zone 1/Quarry make provision for the disposal of refuse during the planning period having regard to the topography of the land, so that while full use can be made of material available within the area for covering refuse, the operation can be conducted with a minimum of detraction from the amenities of the neighbourhood. The combined areas currently designated at Whitford for landfill purposes (Zone 1 and Landfill Zone 1/Quarry) have a life of approximately 35 years.

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Special conditions and restrictions are set out for each of the zones of the designated area for the future protection of the amenities of the area.

Council has undertaken the realignment and upgrading of sections of Ormiston Road in order to improve the principal route to the landfill and for the benefit of other road users. The Landfill Operator also has a number of regional consents from the Auckland Regional-Council covering aspects of the landfill activities. The conditions of this designation rules in this Plan complement the conditions of the ARC consents <a href="https://example.com/archive/archi

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Conditions

Restrictions on Footprint

a. The disposal of refuse shall be confined to the area showing the limits of refuse disposal in Figure 10.2.2 at the rear of this section.

Proviso:

No areas outside the Interim Footprint shown in Figure 10.2.2 at the rear of this section may be developed or used for refuse disposal except in accordance with the relevant parts of the Management Plan required under condition (d) and approved under condition (f).

General Requirements

- b. The landfill and all associated activities, development and works (including postclosure aftercare) shall:
- Be designed, constructed, operated and maintained as a modern landfill in accordance with currently recognised good sanitary landfill practice
- Be undertaken in accordance with such practice by persons appropriately qualified and experienced for the particular purpose
- Comply in all respects with these conditions to the satisfaction of the Council's
 Director of Planning and Resource Management or other specified officer and any
 other statutory authority having regulatory jurisdiction over the matter
- Proceed in accordance with the Management Plan referred to in condition (d) but as amended from time to time in accordance with these conditions of the designation. No development may proceed until the relevant part of the Management Plan has been approved
- Be subject to compliance with all necessary resource consents from the Auckland Regional-Council and any other applicable statutory requirements.

(For the avoidance of doubt where any conditions attaching to any necessary resource consent or any other statutory requirements impose more stringent requirements on the landfill than these conditions, then the more stringent requirements shall prevail).

c. A residents transfer station and recycling facilities shall be established and maintained on the landfill site for so long as the site is used for refuse disposal purposes.

Management Plan

d. The Landfill Operator shall maintain and keep current the following plans and manuals ("the Management Plan"), the basis of which shall be the Landfill Management Plan held by the Council in its records on the Whitford Landfill and as subsequently approved by the Council. The Landfill Management Plan shall be completed no later than 3 months after the confirmation of the designation.

Plans and Manuals Comprising the Management Plan:

- Design Manual
- Construction Manual
- Monitoring Manual

- Operations Manual
- · Contingency Manual
- Site Landscaping Plan
- Post-Closure Aftercare Plan
- e. The Management Plan (and any amendments) shall give effect to these conditions and otherwise generally accord with the Outline Management Plan.
- f. Each part of the Management Plan (and any amendments) shall:
- Be subject to the approval of:
- The Council in consultation with the Peer Review Panel referred to in condition (j); and
- The ARC in relation to matters it is required to approve by legislation
- When so approved, be strictly adhered to at all times
- Be subject to review (including a review of the performance of the practices and procedures in the Plan) by the Peer Review Panel on an annual basis or earlier if required by the Council.
- g. Amendments shall be made to the Management Plan to incorporate:
- Requirements of the Council to ensure compliance with these conditions (including requirements made on the advice of the Peer Review Panel)
- Requirements of the ARC in relation to matters it is required to approve by legislation
- Changes sought by the Landfill Operator to give better effect to these conditions
 which have been reviewed by the Peer Review Panel and have the approval of the
 Council and the ARC where appropriate
- The requirements of any applicable enactment.

Any amendments required by this clause shall be incorporated without delay in and shall form part of the approved Management Plan.

Matters to be covered in the Management Plan

h. The Management Plan shall contain provisions dealing with the following mailers:

	Specific
	Condition
Waste Acceptance Criteria indicating categories of refuse accepted at the	(w) <u>(x)</u>
Stages of development	(-)
The separation of existing and future areas of refuse placement	(-)
Right of access	(r) <u>(s)</u>

Hours of operation	(t) <u>(u)</u>
Categories of refuse accepted at the landfill	(w) (x) (x) (y) (y)
Liner construction	(b)
Site Access, internal roading, vehicle stacking areas and traffic	(u) <u>(v)</u>
Occupational Safety and Health	(-)
Mediation	(p) (q)
Methods of handling and disposal of refuse including controlled waste	(w) (x) (x) (y) (y)
Refuse covering and capping	(cc) <u>(aa)</u>
Landscape amelioration, maintenance and restoration work	(tt) <u>(rr)</u> - (xx) <u>(vv)</u>
Litter control	(mm) <u>(kk)</u>
Recycling, residents waste transfer station and composting operations	(c)
Stormwater management	(-)
Leachate management	(v) <u>(w)</u>
Landfill gas management	(jj) <u>(hh)</u>
Nuisance control	(II) <u>(ij)</u> - (pp) <u>(nn)</u>
Monitoring and record keeping	(qq) (oo)- (ss) (qq)
Contingency plans	(d)
Emergency procedures	(-)
Site closure and rehabilitation	(tt) <u>(rr)</u> (xx) <u>(ww)</u>
Aftercare requirements	(yy) <u>(ww)</u>
Community liaison	(p) <u>(k)</u>
Cultural Heritage Sites	(-)
Such other matters as are considered appropriate from time to time by	(-)
the Council (which may include matters drawn to its attention by the	
Peer Review Panel or the ARC)	

- i. The Management Plan shall expressly require compliance with these conditions:
- That gas wells and other permanent engineering features are located so as to be as unobtrusive as possible from adjacent land and to be compatible with the site Landscaping and Post-Closure Aftercare Plans
- That a layer of low permeability materials be constructed above the existing landfill
 to direct leachate from new refuse to new leachate collection drains. The layer shall
 be of such thickness and permeability as to ensure the minimisation of movement of
 leachate into the underlying refuse and the avoidance of adverse environmental
 effects.

Peer Review Panel

j. For the operating life of the landfill and such further period as the Council may require the Landfill Operator shall establish and maintain an independent Peer Review

Panel. The composition of the Peer Review Panel shall be as approved by the Council's Manager — Resource Consents and Compliance, and the Auckland Regional Council following consultation with any Community Committee established under condition (p); and shall comprise not less than 3 nor more than 5 suitably qualified and experienced persons one of whom shall be the nominee of any Community Committee established under condition q.

p.k. The objectives of the Peer Review Panel will be to ensure that the conditions of this Rule are met and to ensure that all engineering works authorised by the Auckland CouncilARC achieve design specifications.

<u>k. I. All reasonable costs of the Peer Review Panel in undertaking its functions set out in these conditions shall be met by the Landfill Operator.</u>

<u>⊢ m</u>. The Peer Review Panel may co-opt other specialist members to assist in any of its functions for specified periods subject to the approval of the Council, and after consultation with the Landfill Operator. The Peer Review Panel shall appoint one of its members as convener.

- m. n. The Peer Review Panel shall undertake all of the following functions save to the extent modified by the <u>Auckland Councilars</u> in respect of matters over which it has iurisdiction:
- i. Reviewing the adequacy of the various parts of the Management Plan prior to their initial approval by the Council and thereafter on an annual basis.
- ii. Being satisfied that conditions (a) and (b) are being complied with and that the landfill and all associated activities and works (including post closure aftercare) are adequate to ensure the ongoing containment of refuse and leachate.
- iii. Reviewing any proposed modifications to the design, construction, operation or aftercare of the landfill and all associated activities and works.
- iv. Taking such steps as are necessary to ensure that the following are undertaken to its satisfaction:
- · The monitoring of the construction and performance of the landfill liner
- The monitoring and testing referred to in condition (qq) the evaluation of the results of the monitoring and any consequential testing.
- v. From time to time drawing to the Council's and the ARC's attention any changes to the management plan that it considers necessary or desirable and any other matter which, in the opinion of the Peer Review Panel, the Council or the ARC should deal with or be aware of.
- vi. Reporting to the Council at 6 monthly intervals, or sooner if required by the Council, on all the above matters as appropriate and otherwise describing the status of the landfill project, particularly with regard to compliance with these conditions.

- vii. Consulting with the Community Committee on any matters relating to the landfill at the same frequency as it is required to report to the Council and promptly providing the Committee with copies of its reports.
- viii. Consulting with and reporting to the Landfill Operator from time to time on the above matters.

General Duties of the Landfill Operator

- n. o. The Landfill Operator shall:
- Do all things necessary to enable the Council, any other relevant statutory
 regulatory authority and the Peer Review Panel to perform their functions, and
 without limiting that obligation, it shall supply those bodies with all information
 reasonably necessary for its purposes and permit access to the landfill site at all
 reasonable times.

Review of the Management Plan by Landfill Operator

- e- p. The Landfill Operator shall undertake its own review:
- Annually of all parts of the Management Plan for the purpose of ensuring ongoing compliance with these conditions
- The Landfill Operator shall also report to the Council annually, summarising its annual review.

The Landfill Operator shall also prepare reports for the Council annually on:

- i. Significant changes made to the design construction, operation or management of the landfill and all associated activities and work including aftercare.
- ii. Environmental monitoring results in summarised form.
- iii. Incidents involving non compliance with these conditions and actions taken to remedy them. and five yearly on:
- iv. Significant local or international advances made in any aspect of landfill design, construction, operation or management that may have benefits for the Whitford Landfill, and how it is intended to incorporate them, if at all.
- v. Details of any alternative methods of refuse disposal that could affect the future viability of the landfill operation.
- vi. The effects of landfill traffic on the local road network that serves the landfill site taking into account overall traffic conditions at the time.

The first five yearly report shall be submitted to the Council on or as soon as practicable after 1 June 1999. The reports shall in each case (with the exception of the report referred to in (vi)) deal with the preceding year or five years as appropriate.

Community Committee

- p. q. The Landfill Operator shall:
- Consult with tangata whenua and representatives of local residents (including the Whitford Residents and Ratepayers Association) to facilitate the establishment of a Community Committee comprising up to five representatives of those groups, a representative of the Landfill Operator and up to two representatives of the Council
- Ensure, as far as practicable, that those living in close proximity to the landfill and those living in the broader Whitford Community are represented on the Committee
- Discuss matters relevant to the landfill including, but without limitation, concerns and complaints of residents and aspects of non compliance and ways of alleviating them
- Disseminate information to the Committee about the landfill and about any future proposals for the landfill
- Ensure its representative attends meetings of the Committee on a quarterly basis or sooner if requested by the Council's Director of Environmental Management
- Ensure its representative attends any mediation held at the request of the Council's representative in the event of disagreement between the Landfill Operator and members of the Committee over matters relating to the landfill.

Archaeological

q. r. In the event of archaeological features being uncovered (e.g. shell midden, hangi, or oven stones, pit depressions, defensive ditches, artefact material or human bones), work is to cease in the vicinity of the discovery and the Manukau City Auckland Council, the New Zealand Historic Places Trust and the appropriate iwi authorities shall be contacted so that appropriate action can be taken. This includes such persons being given a reasonable time to record and recover archaeological features discovered before work may commence.

Right of access

- F. S. Right of access to the Whitford Landfill for the purposes of refuse disposal shall be restricted to the following users:
- i. Refuse Vehicles
- ii. Private vehicles of residents from within the area shown on Figure 10.2.3 at the rear of this section.

The Landfill Operator shall licence all Refuse Vehicles. All vehicles shall be required to display a registration number issued by the Landfill Operator. Vehicles not so licensed and displaying a registration number shall be prohibited from using the landfill except where a temporary licence is granted.

Return trips by Refuse Vehicles shall be limited as follows:

- During the operating life of the Quarry, while quarry product is being extracted and removed from the site, the number of return trips generated in any one year by Refuse Vehicles shall not exceed an average of 110 per day (12 month average), corresponding to a refuse quantity of 275,000 tonnes per annum.
- Once the Quarry has ceased to extract and remove rock from the site, but while
 final quarry remedial works are being undertaken, the combined number of return
 trips generated in any one year by Refuse Vehicles and quarry trucks shall not
 exceed an average of 210 per day (12 month average), provided, however, that the
 permitted number of return trips by Refuse Vehicles shall not be greater than 155
 per day (12 month average), corresponding to a refuse quantity of 350,000 tonnes
 per annum.
- After completion of quarry remedial works, the number of return trips generated in any one year by Refuse Vehicles shall not exceed an average of 155 per day (12 month average), corresponding to a refuse quantity of 350,000 tonnes per annum.

s. t. The Landfill Operator shall require that all roads be fully enclosed or secured.

Hours of operation

- <u>t. u.</u> The hours of operation may not commence before 7.00am Monday–Friday, 7.30am Saturday and 11.00am on Sunday; and shall cease no later than at 6.00pm Monday to Saturday and 4.00pm on Sunday; subject to the following limitations and exceptions:
- i. The landfill shall be closed on Good Friday, Christmas Day and New Year's Day; and where practicable on other public holidays having regard to the requirements of transfer station operations.
- ii. The hours of operation may be extended to no later than 9.00pm (Monday to Saturday) for equipment maintenance works and office work only, except in cases of emergency.
- iii. Delivery of refuse to the site shall be limited as follows:
- Deliveries from commercial and industrial users:

Monday-Friday: 7.30am to 5.00pm

Saturday: 7.30am to 2.00pm, but extended to 5.00pm for Transfer Station transporters.

Deliveries from private users:

Monday-Sunday: 11.00am to 3.00pm

Proviso:

On Saturdays following a week in which there is a public holiday these hours may be extended to 4.00pm for the commercial vehicles of Manukau City Auckland Councils domestic refuse contractors.

Site Access

u. v. Entrance gates across the access to the landfill shall be provided and locked outside the hours of operation of the landfill. In order to provide for circumstances where the hours of operation of the quarry do not coincide with those of the landfill, the quarry operator shall be provided with a key to the entrance gates to enable quarry vehicles to access the quarry during the quarry's hours of operation. For the avoidance of doubt, landfill trucks that are commercial and industrial users may park or "stack" on the area to be retained for stacking of vehicles shown on Figure 10.2.6 during the period shortly before 7.30am, but may not travel beyond that area until 7.30am

Initial Establishment Works

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- i. The following works shall be undertaken as soon as practicable unless otherwise specified in general accordance with the relevant provisions of the Management Plan:
- Earth embankment construction and screen planting along the Trig Road and Whitford-Maraetai Road frontages which shall be carried out progressively.
- ii. In addition to v(i) above the ongoing maintenance of the following works are required:
- Earth embankment construction and screen planting along the Trig Road and Whitford-Maraetai Road frontages
- Fencing of the boundaries of the designated areas shown in Figure 10.2.1 of Chapter 10.2 with a stock-proof fence.

Proviso:

Where areas abutting a boundary of the designated site are intended to be used for landfill purposes then the Council may waive this requirement in respect of the relevant part of the boundary.

- iii. The following operational conditions shall apply:
- The retention of the existing access and entrance facilities off Whitford-Maraetai Road as indicated on Figure 10.2.2 of Chapter 10.2
- The retention of areas for stacking of refuse vehicles off public roads as indicated on Figure 10.2.6 of Chapter 10.2
- The continued upgrading of leachate treatment and storage facilities to comply with any relevant resource consents.

Restrictions on Waste

w. x. Wastes disposed of to the Landfill must comply with the Whitford Landfill Waste Acceptance Criteria as set out in the Landfill Management Plan.

- x. y Permitted Waste The categories of refuse permitted to be disposed of at the landfill shall be limited to the following:
- · General household, commercial or industrial refuse, but excluding prohibited waste
- Clean fill
- Offal and animal carcasses

Buffering

- aa. z. A buffer zone of 30 metres shall be left between the landfill operations and the following boundaries of the site:
- i. The Whitford-Maraetai Road boundary.
- ii. The Trig Road boundary.
- iii. The boundary with Allotment 30, Maraetai Parish.

The buffer in (i) and (ii) (and in (iii) if required by the Council) shall be screened with planting and bunding and otherwise developed to present an attractive buffer and as far as possible to screen the landfill from nearby dwellings and adjoining roads; and to minimise noise generated by the landfill.

The planting shall be augmented as necessary from time to time with an appropriate mix of indigenous species in order to maintain a vegetative screen at all times throughout the life of the landfill. Details of the development, planting and bunding shall be included in the Management Plans.

Refuse Placement and Cover Explanatory Statement:

Refuse placement and cover is controlled by a regional resource consent.

Noise

ee. <u>aa</u>. Construction noise — construction noise from site development works and building construction on the site shall be as recommended in, and be measured and assessed in accordance with NZ 6803P" 1984 "The Measurement and Assessment of Noise from Construction, Maintenance and Demolition Work". Construction activities shall be clearly identified in the Management Plan (Construction Manual).

dd. <u>bb</u>. Landfill operations — The corrected noise level (L10) of any landfill operations as measured at or within the notional boundary of any existing dwelling outside the landfill site shall not exceed the following limits:

Monday to	7.00am-6.00p	55 dBA
Saturday	7.30am-6.00p	55 dBA

Note:

Notwithstanding the standards in this rule the Landfill Operator should aim at achieving a corrected L10 noise level of 50dBA at the notional boundary of any rural property between 7.00am and 6:00pm from Monday to Saturday, as a matter of good practice.

ee. cc. The notional boundary shall be taken to be a line 20 metres from the facade of any existing dwelling or the legal boundary where this is closer to the dwelling.

ff. dd Subject to the express provisions of these conditions, noise levels shall be measured and assessed in accordance with the requirements of New Zealand Standards (NZS 6801:1991 Measurement of Sound and NZS 6802:1991 Assessment of Environmental Sound)

gg. ee. The noise shall be measured with a sound level meter complying with the International Standard IEC 651 (1979): Sound Level Meters, Type I,

hh. ff A certificate from an acoustical engineer shall be given to the Council within seven days of its request and shall demonstrate that the above performance standards are being complied with. In the event of non - compliance, information shall be given to the Council setting out reduction measures to ensure compliance which shall be implemented forthwith.

Gas Emission

ii. gg A gas control system shall be installed progressively for the collection and burning or utilization of landfill gas so as to mitigate odours from gas. Details of the system shall be included in the Management Plan.

Protection of Ground Water and Containment System

<u>ij.</u> <u>hh.</u> The Landfill Operator shall ensure that all necessary measures are taken to ensure ground water levels on site are controlled or other alterative measures are undertaken so as to provide in either case for the effective containment of leachate.

Nuisances

kk. ii. Odour — Effective procedures to control discharges to air shall be implemented

to ensure compliance with the conditions of any air discharge permit granted by the ARC under section 15 of the RMA. In particular but without limitation the following measures shall be undertaken to prevent that occurrence:

- Malodorous special wastes shall be accepted only by prior arrangement and shall be covered immediately upon acceptance. Furthermore, malodorous special waste shall only be accepted when there is sufficient fresh refuse or cleanfill available, and in any event no later than 3.00pm Monday to Friday.
- The collection and treatment of landfill gas shall be undertaken in accordance with the relevant conditions on the Air Discharge Permit granted by the ARC.
- The avoidance as far as practicable of practices which require excavation into old refuse
- The use of cover material as set out in condition (cc)
- The implementation of a policy of liaison with the producers of potentially odorous loads to minimise the occurrence of problems
- The use of odour neutralising or masking sprays.

II. jj. Litter — Effective procedures shall be implemented by the Landfill Operator to:

- Prevent the escape of litter from the landfill
- Ensure all reasonable steps are taken to keep the roads leading to the landfill and properties adjacent to the landfill free from litter
- Promptly clean up any materials dumped in the vicinity of the site entrance, including Trig Road
- Promptly, if so requested by the Council, remove any litter that appears to have come from the landfill operations.

mm. <u>kk.</u> Vermin, Insects, and Birds — Effective control and eradication procedures shall be implemented at the site to minimise the incidence of birds, rodents, insects and any other form of potential nuisance. Full details shall be set out in the Management Plan.

nn. II. Dust and Mud Control — Effective control procedures including the following shall be implemented: On site:

- Sealing the entrance road
- Sealing heavily trafficked permanent roads
- Cleaning roads where required
- The use of water sprays and water carts
- Maintain a permanent wheel wash and hose down facilities at an appropriate location Off site:
- Cleaning of roads leading to the landfill to remove mud emanating from the landfill.

ee. mm. Fires — The intentional burning of refuse and any other material apart from

the landfill gas is prohibited. The Landfill Operator shall maintain and operate a fire protection system to the satisfaction of the Council and any other relevant statutory authority having regulatory control over the matter.

Monitoring and Records

pp. nn. The Management Plan shall provide for a monitoring programme which shall be carried out by the Landfill Operator. The programme shall accord with the provisions of the Outline Management Plan on monitoring and provide for the monitoring and testing of the following during the landfill life and the aftercare period:

- · Construction and performance of the landfill liner
- Ground and surface water
- Leachate
- Landfill gas
- Noise
- Other things or matters required to be monitored by the Council or the ARC.

Monitoring and testing shall be carried out with such regularity as is required by the conditions of the <u>regional</u> ARC consents provided that if there are no such consents applicable then the monitoring and testing should be carried out with such regularity as the Council or other relevant statutory regulatory authority requires.

Persons undertaking monitoring and testing for the Landfill Operator shall be approved by the Council or other relevant statutory regulatory authority after consultation with the Peer Review Panel.

The Landfill Operator shall permit the Council to have access to the landfill at all reasonable times for the purpose of any inspection or monitoring the Council might wish to undertake.

qq. oo. The Landfill Operator shall keep detailed records on the following:

- All monitoring activities and results including non-standard results
- Engineering works including civil, mechanical and electrical (which records shall include "as-built" drawings)
- Quantities of refuse (including details according to type) delivered to the site and/ or removed from the site
- Placement of controlled waste disposed of on-site according to type and quantity
- Complaints
- Fires
- Special waste

- Test results
- Pest control
- · Emergencies
- The contingency plan and its effectiveness
- Failures or events contrary to these conditions or the Management Plan and the actions taken to alleviate the consequences.

<u>rr. pp.</u> The Landfill Operator shall report to the Peer Review Panel monthly on the matters listed in <u>(rr) (oo)</u>, and promptly comply with any request by the Panel or the Council or other relevant statutory regulatory authority for copies of the records required by condition <u>(rr) (oo)</u>.

Completion Works and Closure Report

ss. qq. All structures no longer required for the landfill shall be removed at the earliest practical opportunity on completion of their functions.

Prior to landfilling above RL90m within the shaded area indicated on Figure 10.2.5, ("the Shaded Area"), the Landfill Operator shall submit to the Peer Review Panel a report prepared in accordance with best industry practice that, amongst other things:

- a. Analyses historical settlement at the Landfill,
- b. Predicts the rate of settlement in the shaded area based on historical Landfill settlement patterns, and
- c. Identifies a fill sequence and pre-settlement fill contour plan for the Shaded Area that allows for a degree of over-filling. If the Peer Review Panel accepts the report and advises the Manager Compliance Enforcement and the Whitford Landfill Community Liaison Committee in writing that it confirms the conclusions reached in that report then a degree of over-filling shall be permitted in the Shaded Area to allow for ongoing settlement. The degree of over-filling shall relate to the predicted rate of settlement identified in the report and ensure a settled profile in the Shaded Area will be achieved at or about the contour levels shown in Figure 10.2.5 within 5 years of final waste placement.

Each completed Landfill stage shall, as soon as practicable after completion of refuse placement in that stage be capped, topsoiled and landscaped so as to render the site suitable for an end use for public recreational and open space purposes. Subject to ARC permit regional consent conditions relating to the clay cap, any trees or shrubs to be planted on the finished Landfill shall be selected and located so that generally they will not grow to a height exceeding RL120 metres.

tt. <u>rr.</u> As part of the Site Landscaping and Post-Closure Aftercare Plans, the Landfill Operator shall include detailed provisions, prepared in consultation with the Council,

the Community Committee and owners of adjacent sites to give effect to the above requirements to the satisfaction of the Council.

uu. ss. Capping shall be a minimum of 600mm depth of clay-based material and shall be compacted in at least 2 layers to achieve a permeability generally in the range of 10-7 to 10-8m/second, or such alternative equivalent design as the Landfill Operator may propose, to the approval of the Auckland Regional Council, or through a resource consent. Capping in areas where plants are to be located must be sufficient to ensure that root systems do not penetrate the cap.

ww. tt. The preparation of areas of rehabilitated landfill that are to be planted shall be adequate to ensure healthy planting and growth of grass, shrubs or trees or a combination thereof. Details shall be provided in the Management Plan.

ww. <u>uu</u>. A closure report shall be prepared to the satisfaction of the Council and the ARC and submitted no later than 6 months after the last refuse is placed on the landfill site.

Time Frame

xx. vv. The settled contours of the Landfill shall be within the envelope shown on Figure 10.2.5 (which shall be entitled "Whitford Landfill Post Settlement Contours"). With the exception of final restoration work, all landfilling on the site shall cease by the end of 2041 or such earlier year as specified in a regional an ARC consent unless the period is extended by a resource consent. Final restoration work shall be completed as soon as practicable.

Post-Closure Aftercare

yy. ww.The Landfill Operator shall:

- Be responsible on a continuing basis for:
- the control of groundwater and stormwater
- the collection and disposal of leachate and landfill gas, and
- the post-closure aftercare of the landfill for a period of 30 years or such longer period as the Council and/or the ARC require.
- Prepare a post closure plan to the satisfaction of the Manager Compliance
 Enforcement, at least 10 years before the anticipated closure of the Landfill which
 will describe the measures that will be taken to prepare the Landfill for its future
 use. The plan will include an estimate of ground levels, planting/landscaping and
 final use proposals, estimate of truck numbers, and measures to control gas and
 leachate.
- Prepare a post closure aftercare completion report to ensure and demonstrate to

the satisfaction of the Council, the ARC and any other appropriate regulatory authority that the Landfill is in a state that does not present or have the potential to present any risk or adverse effect on or to the environment, and that there is no need for any further control, treatment or measures of any kind to ensure the continuation of that state.

Post-Closure Aftercare Fund Bond

aaa. xx. Any person or body other than the Council which is involved as Landfill Operator of the landfill shall forthwith upon any written request of the Council enter into and maintain a cash (or equivalent) bond in favour of the Council and the Auckland Regional Council and drawn in terms satisfactory to the bond holders to provide security for early closure, environmental remediation, and post-closure aftercare; and to ensure compliance with these conditions, the conditions of any resource consents and with the Management Plan and to provide security for the Council's costs and charges relating to these conditions.

The bond shall be for an initial sum of up to \$2.1 million, which sum shall be incremented by up to \$3.00 per tonne of refuse deposited at the landfill after 1 April 1994, up to a total sum not exceeding \$12.6 million. Both the bond fund and the increments shall be adjusted annually according to the Works Construction Cost Index, or other suitable alternative approved by the Council's Manager — Resource Consents and Compliance, and the Auckland Regional Council.

The actual amounts of the initial sum, the increments, and the total sum shall be fixed by the Council having regard to the proportionate interest of the relevant person or body in the operation of the Whitford Landfill.

Proviso as to review:

The maximum amounts of the initial sum, the increments and the total sum may be subject to review at the time of any review of the district plan or pursuant to any change to the district plan to ensure that those limits provide adequate security for the above purposes. In the event of any change in any of the above mentioned sums, the bond shall be amended accordingly.

Monitoring Charge

bbb. <u>vy.</u> The Landfill Operator shall pay the Council's reasonable monitoring charges relating to the conditions in this <u>designation</u> Ordinance as they fall due.

Community Fund

ccc. <u>zz.</u> The landfill operator shall from 1 July 1997 contribute to a Trust established by the Council for the benefit of the local community within the vicinity of the Whitford Landfill.

Such contribution shall be a levy of:

- 50 cents per tonne for each tonne of refuse received from the <u>former</u> District of Manukau and
- \$1 per tonne for refuse received from outside the former District of Manukau.

These levies shall be reviewed by the Council at five yearly intervals with the first review to be made on 1 July 2011. The review may take into account, among other factors, any changes to the Consumer Price Index, with the Reference Index being the June Quarter of 2006.

Maintenance of Internal Access Roads

ddd. aaa. The existing sealed access road within the Joint Landfill/Quarry Area shall be maintained at all times to minimise the potential of body rattle due to uneven road surfaces. This access road shall be inspected on a 6 monthly basis as part of a detailed walkover with an engineer who shall report to the Landfill Community Committee on the works (if any) that may be necessary to minimise the potential for body rattle. The works shall be undertaken by the Landfill Operator in an expeditious manner and to the satisfaction of the Manager — Compliance Enforcement.

Rule 10.2.8.1.2 Whitford Landfill Excavation of Cover Material Designation (Zone 2): Purposes

Subject to the conditions in Rule 10.2.8.1.2 the area shown as Zone 2 in Figure 10.2.1 may be used for the purposes of:

mineral extraction other than topsoil complying with the provisions of Rule
 10.2.8.1.2.1 except that mineral resources extracted from the designated site may
 not be transported off the designated site.

Rule 10.2.8.1.2.1 Conditions

- a. Before commencing any operations the Landfill Operator shall furnish an Excavation Management Plan to the Council which shall include the following information in plan form and in explanatory material:
- i. Demarcation of the area to be excavated
- ii. Existing contours
- iii. Final contours including proposals for the coordination of final levels of adjoining land
- iv. Ultimate drainage of quarried lands
- v. An indication of the period over which quarrying will continue, and of staged development

- vi. Location of buildings and plant
- vii. Provision for the disposal and/or stockpiling of overburden, waste and excavated material, including the areas to be used for stockpiling
- viii. Areas for stockpiling of topsoil
- ix. Provision for screening unsightly features from public view and fencing dangerous or potentially dangerous features
- x. Description of methods to be employed to prevent contamination of air or natural water and to comply with the noise provisions of these conditions
- xi. Provision for the progressive restoration of the site such that the land will be left in a condition suitable for the establishment of those uses to which the land may subsequently be put
- xii. A landscape plan indicating the uses the excavated areas will be put to once the excavation has been completed.
- b. The Excavation Management Plan and any amendments shall be subject to the approval of the Council and the ARC (in relation to matters required to be approved by Council ARC) in consultation with the Peer Review Panel referred to in Condition (j) of Rule 10.2.8.1.1.1 and when so approved shall be strictly adhered to at all times.
- c. No excavation shall occur prior to an Archaeological Management Plan being approved by the Manager Resource Consents and Compliance. The Archaeological Management Plan shall demonstrate that all necessary authorities under Historic Places Act 1993 have been granted by the Historic Places Trust.
- d. No topsoil shall be disposed of by sale or otherwise permanently removed from the site except as may be specified in the Excavation Management Plan and approved by the Council.
- e. No blasting shall occur on the site.
- f. The excavated area and haul roads shall be wetted down on a regular basis during dry/windy conditions to the approval of the Council's Manager Resource Consents and Compliance to mitigate any dust nuisance.
- g. Noise conditions The corrected noise level (L10) of any excavation operations as measured at or within the notional boundary of any rural dwelling outside the site shall not exceed the following limits:

Monday to	7.00am-6.00p	55 dBA
Saturday	7.30am-6.00p	55 dBA

	Sun	days	and	all	other	times	45 dBA
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- i. The notional boundary shall be taken to be a line 20 metres from the facade of any existing dwelling or the legal boundary where this is closer to the dwelling.
- ii. The noise levels shall be measured and assessed in accordance with the requirements of New Zealand Standards (NZS 6801: 1991 Measurement of Sound and NZS 6802:1991 Assessment of Environmental Sound)
- iii. The noise shall be measured with a sound level meter complying with the International Standard IEC 651 (1979): Sound Level Meters, Type I.

Rule 10.2.8.1.3 Whitford Landfill Spray Irrigation Designation (Zone 3): Purposes

Subject to the conditions set out for each activity in Rule 10.2.8.1.3 the area shown as Zone 3 in Figure 10.2.1 may be used for the following purposes:

Rule 10.2.8.1.3.1 Conditions

- a. The spray irrigation of treated leachate including the construction and operation of a leachate storage pond.
- i. The above activities shall be carried out in accordance with Land Use Consent 1360 granted by Manukau City Council and the technical information and plans B11/134 held by the Council.
- b. Stormwater management and the construction of treatment facilities, ponds and wetlands.
- i. The above activities shall be carried out in compliance with resource consents granted by the ARC dated 5 December 1994 being Permit Nos. 939343, 939345, 939346, and 939348 -939357.
- c. Mineral extraction
- i. The above activities shall be carried out in compliance with the provisions of Rule 10.2.8.1.2.1

Rule 10.2.8.1.4 Conservation Covenant

There shall be no activities inconsistent with the Conservation Covenant within the area subject to a Conservation Covenant (indicated as "Bush Protection Area" on Figure 10.2.1).

After the Quarry operations and remedial works have ceased the Requiring Authority shall, to the satisfaction of the Manager — Compliance Enforcement, in the Conservation Covenant area implement the weed and pest- animal control programme that has been established and approved in accordance with the Quarry Notice of Requirement, subject to any additions and alterations inserted by the Manager — Compliance Enforcement.

Explanation:

In accordance with condition 2(d) of the Whitford Quarry Notice of Requirement a Conservation Covenant applies to the areas noted and identified as "Bush Protection Area" identified in Figure 10.2.1 in perpetuity to the effect that any native bush in that area shall not be damaged or destroyed ("the Conservation Covenant"). It is to be noted that the area to which the Conservation Covenant applies includes land designated as Landfill that is to be protected in order to mitigate the effects of the Quarry, not the effects of the Landfill.

Rule 10.2.8.1.5 Management of Cultural Heritage

The Landfill Management Plan shall incorporate suitable measures for monitoring of and avoiding adverse effects on cultural heritage sites, including but not limited to: i. Measures to protect the pa site RI 1/333 to the southwest of the Whitford Quarry extension area from damage from landfilling activities and any encroachment of heavy machinery, in accordance with accepted archaeological practice.

- ii. Involvement of Ngai Tai Umupuia in the identification and management of cultural heritage sites
- iii. Ceasing work in the immediate vicinity if subsurface archaeological evidence is unearthed during construction (e.g. intact shell midden, hangi, storage pits relating to Māori occupation, or cobbled floors, brick or stone foundation, and rubbish pits relating to Maori occupation), and contacting the Manukau City Council, Historic Places Trust and tangata whenua so that appropriate action can be taken. This includes such persons being given an reasonable time to record and recover archaeological features discovered before work commences.

iv. applying for an Authority to Modify under Section 11 of the Historic Places Act 1991, in addition to any required approval of the Manukau City Council, if modification of an archaeological site is necessary. (Note that this is a legal requirement). v. in the event of human remains being uncovered ceasing work in the immediate vicinity and contacting the tangata whenua, Historic Places Trust and NZ Police so that appropriate arrangements can be made.

Rule 10.2.8.1.6 Outline Plan for O'Brien Block

An outline plan for work in the O'Brien block (Part Allotment 35 DP 15031 CT 778/186) in terms of s176A of the Resource Management Act 1991 will be required prior to the commencement of work. The plan shall include but not be limited to information about the depth of excavations for cover material, a plan of the excavation, proposals for protecting slope stability adjacent to the pa site and the covenanted area.

Note:

That if excavation is proposed on the O'Brien Block, including to the east of the Hog Hill Stream, a resource consent will be needed from the Auckland Regional Council.

Rule 10.2.8.1.7 Coordination between the Quarry and The Landfill

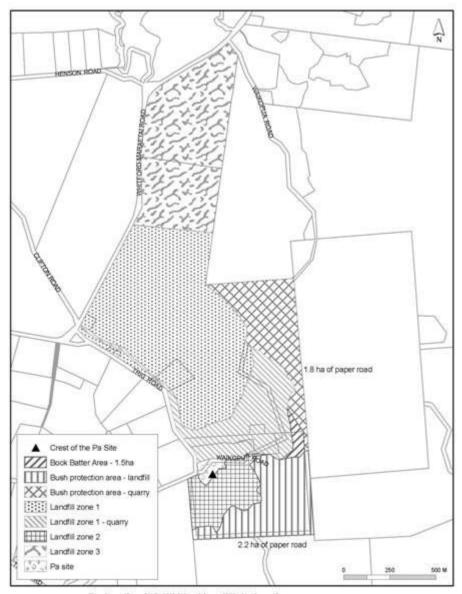
Appropriate procedures shall be incorporated into the Landfill Management Plan to deal with coordination between the Quarry and the Landfill over issues including but not limited to, stormwater, noise and dust, and the Landfill Manager or other person responsible for the day to day operating of the Landfill, will be the first point of contact.

Rule 10.2.8.1.8 Height of Existing Water Tank Ridge

Landfill activities shall not lower the height of the existing water tank ridge / saddle immediately south of Contour Plan U (the area to be defined by a survey of the land undertaken in consultation with the owners of the property at 382 Ara Kotinga Road, Whitford, within 6 months of the designation being confirmed). Additional screen planting shall be undertaken along this saddle in consultation with the owner of the property at 382 Ara Kotinga Road, Whitford, within 24 months of the designation being confirmed.

Attachments

Figure 10.2.1 - Whitford Landfill Designation



Designation 612 Whitford Landfill designation

Figure 10.2.2 - Interim Footprint and Limits of Additional Refuse Disposal within the Landfill Designation Area

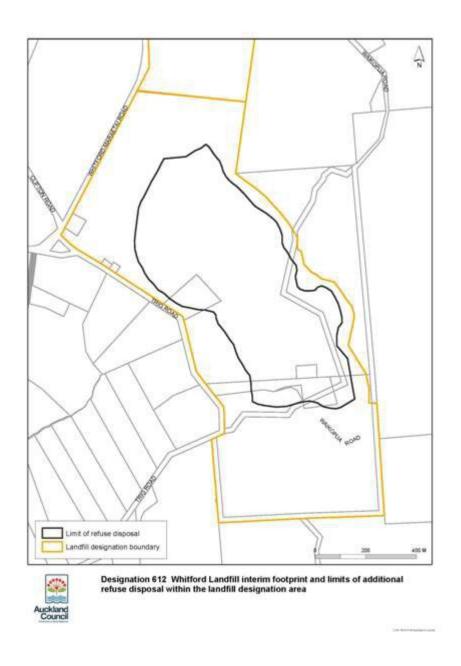


Figure 10.2.3 - Area from which Local Residents can Access Landfill

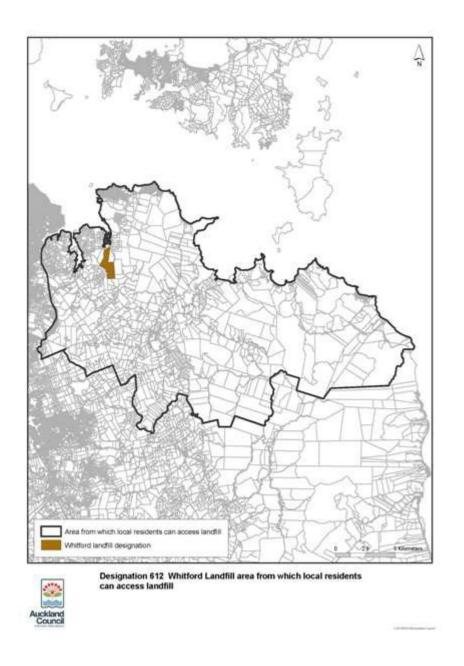
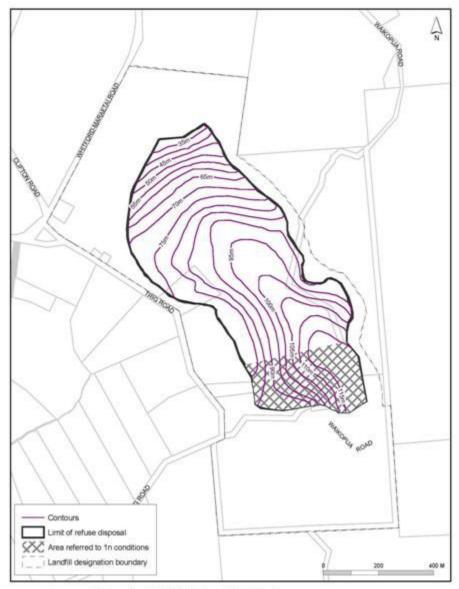


Figure 10.2.5 -4 Whitford Landfill Final Contours



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Figure 10.2.6-5 Area to be Retained for Stacking of Vehicles

