

**MINUTES OF THE THREE KINGS QUARRY LIAISON MEETING
HELD AT THREE KINGS SCHOOL HALL
WEDNESDAY 14 MARCH 2006 AT 8:00PM**

**Present: Winstone Aggregate Attendees
Mike Harris, Chris Edmonds, Chris Gray, Bernie Chote**

**Chair:
Deborah Clapshaw (Chairperson / Facilitator)**

**Residents:
T Millard, W Buckingham, J & J Page, V Friedlander, D Hill, D
Taylor, A Bigelow, A Bell, P McConnell, B & S Hemming, F Cleary**

**Apologies: Chris Scullin, Gary Bryant, Miss Warburton, Fred
Swallow**

Confirmation of Minutes of the Previous Meeting:

Moved: Chris Edmonds

"That the Minutes of the previous meeting held on 29th November, 2006 as amended be confirmed as an accurate record of the Meeting."

Site Monitoring Report – Mike Harris

Mike Harris presented findings on Site Monitoring Report (refer attached). He stated that the air discharge triggers standards were set by Council and experts. He also said that Winstones monitoring show that the quarry dust emissions are within the triggers set in the air discharge permit.

A member of the community commented that the dust problem is still ongoing, particularly from the time Winstones closes quarry at night until morning. The question was asked what controls are in place overnight?

Mike Harris commented that the quarry has 24 hour sprinklers. Consideration is given to where and how dust monitoring gauges are placed. All the monitors show the dust is under control.

People can look at the report from Kevin Rolfe and have time to comment.

Mike Harris reaffirmed that specific complaints need to be lodged on the day.

Quarry Complaints

Austin Bell said that despite dust meters and the ring system he was still getting dust around the place. Dependent on the light, Austin gets a fine red film on his windows. He commented that the dust meters were ineffective because they don't measure whirlwinds which are caused by south easterly winds.

Another gentleman supported Austin's comments saying that particularly on the western terrace with a south easterly wind, a whirlwind effect is created to a height of about 500 metres with the dust flying high and is taken out of the quarry. In his opinion the meters don't work.

Corrine McLaren confirmed that the dust was supposed to be within the quarry and that the dust meters are not positioned well. They should be placed on people's roofs up high where they capture the wind.

Corrine is to read the Three Kings United Group's provisional view on the dust issue. She asked that if any Three Kings United Group member has issues regarding dust, please advise and she will collate the information.

Corrine further asked that despite all the continuous measuring, are there any other measures that Winstones will take? A complaint had been lodged.

Bernie Chote commented that it is extremely important that if the whirlwind effects are not being picked up then they need to be notified. Winstones can check the video cameras to get more accurate information about what was actually happening. Bernie further commented that it is about getting the process working properly and that Austin needs to ring the Quarry Manager with the detail.

Austin Bell replied that the video cameras point into the sun implying that the cameras are ineffective. The sun's reflections mean the cameras can't pick up the dust details necessary to support complaints.

Action: Chris Gray to review where video cameras placed at Foodtown for reassessment.

Action: Winstone Quarry Manager stated that as Austin has registered a complaint, then they can have someone come around and have a look at the fugitive red dust.

Dawn Taylor asked Winstone Aggregates management to lead the way to have all the vehicles to cover their loads before leaving the quarry. She stated that this discussion had been had several times and requested that Winstones please look at it afresh.

Bernie Chote replied that they could insist with their own drivers but that a lot of the trucks visiting the quarry aren't their own.

Action: Bernie Chote to review.

Chris Gray read lodged complaints and actions taken to resolve complaints by community members including:

- 20 September, 06 Corrine McLaren confirmed spillage cleaned up and confirmed back to her.
- 19 February, 07 Veronica Friedlander stated that she was walking past the quarry gates and the sprinklers weren't working.

Winstone's management replied that there was a mis-understanding with her original complaint and no administrative procedures were in place to report back to her because of an administrative failure.

Veronica then stated that the following day again the sprinklers were not working.

Chris Gray replied that the sprinkler system was now fixed and he called back to advise her.

Veronica replied that in her opinion the sprinkler system was not working optimally.

- The Quarry Manager replied that the sprinklers run on a 24/7 basis and this was supported by a site meeting where it was reinforced to staff that they must keep sprinklers working.
- Austin Bell has lodged complaints of dust to property in January and February.

General Business

Corrine McLaren says that there is incorrect information on website and that back-ground current data is insufficient.

Mike Harris commented that the website is under review.

Action: Mike Harris will check as to the exact location of where to find relevant data on website.

Action: Website details will be put on bottom of minutes.

Bob Hemming questioned why the water was running on the south side of the quarry?

Corrine McLaren stated that there is an intention and desire to be consulted properly, particularly where specific proposals are under review and a number of questions cover what complainants are concerned about. Corrine tabled a letter for Winstone's review.

Action: Bernie Chote to review and answer the questions to the best of his ability before next Meeting in readiness for discussion by group.

Action: Corrine McLaren requested of Winstones for a reply by letter and a verbal response.

Action: Bernie Chote responded with the point that specific questions that can't be answered. Winstones will outline a process for which they can address these issues. Bernie Chote is to review past Minutes.

Action: Chris also advised that with the revised complaints process complainants lodge their complaint and Bernie will leave his direct dial number so that if the quarry does not deal with the complaints properly, the community can deal directly with him.

Corrine McLaren stated that the Three Kings United Group and the SLG Meetings are getting tired. Attendance is very low. She has reservations about SLG giving approval because of low numbers. Main votes refer to operating of meetings not on real issues.

Bernie Chote replied he is seeking approval in principle. He stated that there are two parallel processes going on at the same time, i.e. early cessation of quarrying to carry out clean filling and the Auckland City Council Plan Change process. The closure of the quarry to clean fill may still be 10 - 15 years out. The consultation process is ongoing and involves the wider community. He further stated that if Winstones obtains tacit approval, they will launch into the RMA consent process and that consultation with community is critical as part of the on-going approval.

Corrine replied that Winstones didn't need approval from the community, except from their Board. She pointed out that "theoretically" Winstones would decide their own minds. Three Kings United needed more information because of outlined issues and that the RMA is the process to give any kind of approval or opposition.

Alan Bigelow asserted that if Winstones wants the confidence of the community, Three Kings United and the Community Board, then be upfront with the complete plan.

Bernie Chote replied that there is a balance. Processes for the wider community may merge, but Winstones needs certainty for shareholders as well. Bernie commented that the question Winstones are grappling with is do they continue quarrying, or do they move ahead and get consents to clean fill? What is sought is what the community thinks and their concerns will go into the pot using open consultation.

Corrine reaffirmed that Winstones have already made up their mind.

Bernie restated that it's a balance and that it's an extremely important part of Winstones going forward. Established, long running environmental views of the group will have significant impact on how Winstones moves ahead.

Alan Bigelow commented that the quarry is zoned business seven. He asked why does Winstones need consent?

Bernie Chote replied that filling of the quarry needs consent and rehabilitation plans prepared and signed off with community groups.

Alan Bigelow said that Chris Scullin had presented a plan including the reserve area. Corrine McLaren confirmed that Chris Scullin had written a letter to the Community Board in January. The letter outlines that the future of the council land adjoining the quarry should be reviewed by the council.

Bernie Chote said his understanding regarding the adjacent land to the quarry makes sense to tie the bundle together. There is no use if Winstones are not working in sync with the community and Auckland City Council.

Action: Bernie to seek out and attach letter / plan.

Bernie Chote said that previous submissions outline early cessation. He went on to say that there will be a grand plan with the 10 year change of planning process. Winstones are asking the Community Board to get started on considering the process. Winstones consider it wise for the Community Board to address what their thinking on the reserve land is. Obviously it is an issue.

Farrell Cleary asked the question of Winstones – do they have a property interest in the reserve land following on from submissions and consultation?

Bernie replied absolutely not. Winstones has no intention of purchasing Council reserve land. If Winstones are going to cease quarrying, filling up the quarry needs consultation. Council's recommendation is to fill up the quarry. There is a separate process to ask Community Board to consider the future of the reserve land.

Next meeting time - Wednesday, 13th June, 8:00pm.

Action: Winstone's to remove chains so people can park closer to Hall, particularly on inclement winter nights.

Website address/link:

www.winstoneaggregates.co.nz/Community.php?page=Community

Bernie Chote, DDI (09) 525 9312

Site Monitoring Report – March 2007

Groundwater Levels

- Groundwater levels in the quarry are currently being held above RL34m.

Precise Level Surveys

- A survey of all precise level benchmarks is currently being undertaken. Precise level surveys are currently being undertaken at annual intervals.
- The results of the survey will be forwarded to the Three Kings United Group when the survey has been completed.

Air Quality Monitoring

- Air quality monitoring results over the summer period (November to February) were all pretty good.
- 92 samples were collected, all of which were less than 80mg/m³ per 24hour period.
- An application has been made to the Auckland Regional Council to review the monitoring requirements in the TSP Monitoring Plan. The proposal is to replace a Hi-Vol TSP Sampler and the Mini-Vol TSP Sampler with a Continuous Beta Gauge Monitor.
- The procedure for changing the TSP Monitoring Plan is to engage a TSP Monitoring Advisor who would then undertake a review of the TSP Monitoring Plan and make any recommendations as appropriate.
- An independent TSP monitoring advisor has been appointed (Kevin Rolfe). He has made a site visit to the quarry and is expected to make his recommendations shortly.
- The Recommended TSP Monitoring Plan will then be provided to Three Kings United Group and South Epsom Planning for their review.
- The Mini-Vol TSP sampler located at Garry Bryant's property has been removed (at the request of Gary) and has been located on the northern quarry boundary for the remainder of the summer period (end of April).

Winstone Aggregates - Submission to Mt Roskill Community Board

Tuesday 21 November 2006

Public Forum: Initiation of a process to consider the future of Reserve land adjoining Winstone's Three Kings Quarry

- Winstone Aggregates has resource consents to quarry at its Three Kings Quarry to RLO which may take a further 20 to 30 years when rehabilitation of the site is included.
- As part of its on going business modelling of all its sites, Winstone Aggregates is working through options which, for the Three Kings Quarry, could see earlier completion of quarrying and rehabilitation of the site.
- An outcome could be that quarrying and subsequent filling might be completed in the order of half the time, that is, approximately 10 to 15 years.
- Additional resource consents to provide for managed filling, a discretionary activity, would be required.
- At this stage Winstone Aggregates is interested in the views of the community and Council, as these will have some influence on subsequent decisions.
- Concurrently, Auckland City Council should consider the future of its reserve land which lies adjacent to two of the quarry boundaries.
- The Quarry operates under the Three Kings Quarry, Quarry Management Plan, developed in consultation with the local community and the Auckland City Council in 2001.
- As stated in the Quarry Management Plan, Winstone Aggregates would prefer an end use for the Three Kings involving a mix of residential and commercial activity and open public space, following rehabilitation of the site.
- There is an opportunity to integrate the objectives of the community, Council and Winstone.

- While it is too early to form definitive views on the eventual use of a rehabilitated Three Kings site, Winstone Aggregates will work closely with Auckland City Council and the community to ensure an integrated approach to redevelopment and planning.
- Because planning cycles take some time, the issues need to be considered now, as the quarry could possibly be available for alternative use in the order of ten years time.
- Winstone Aggregates communicates with the local community through a site liaison group, its website and quarry open days.
- Winstone considers the appropriate way to mobilise Auckland City Council's involvement is through the Mt Roskill Community Board.

Therefore Winstone Aggregates requests the Mt Roskill Community Board put to Auckland City Council that the necessary Council resources be allocated to consider the future of Council's Reserve land adjoining the Winstone Three Kings Quarry.



Three Kings Quarry
Indicative Levels

Scale 1:2000 at A2



Ground Levels
if Site Filled



Existing Ground Levels



WINSTONE
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18 January 2007

The Chairman
Mt Roskill Community Board
c/- Auckland City Council
Private Bag 92516
Wellesley Street 1141
Attn: Mr Richard Barter

Dear Mr Barter

Auckland City Reserve Land Adjoining Three Kings Quarry

Last November, with Mr Alan Happy, as minuted on Council's website, I made a brief presentation to the Board about a business review Winstone is presently carrying out. You will have access to the bullet points we spoke to, and the simple photo / map we tabled.

Unfortunately, both you, and a Councillor with considerable background with the quarry and its surrounds (Mr Graeme Mulholland), were unable to attend.

The quarry land on 3 of its 4 sides in essence abuts land owned or administered by Auckland City (Mt Eden Road and the Three Kings and Big King Reserve) and that therefore Council has multiple interests both as regulator of any private or public development, and as manager of the City's (ratepayers) assets.

As a neighbour, member of the wider community, and as a ratepayer, of course Winstone has an interest in the future of the adjoining reserve land. To the south of the quarry in particular, it is in a condition that is basically inaccessible to the public, and appears to be used from time to time as an uncontrolled fill site.

In these circumstances Winstone considered it appropriate to approach Council through the Community Board to initiate planning for the future of the reserve land.

Unfortunately the minuted record of my presentation to the Community Board seems to reflect a lack of understanding of what Winstone was seeking, as the minutes say:

"That the Board suggests to Winstone Aggregates that it ascertain, in the first place, the views of the local community in relation to its proposals/ideas regarding the future use of reserve land adjoining Winstone's Three Kings Quarry."

With respect, it is Council's, not Winstone's, responsibility to ascertain the views of the local community (which would include Winstone) about the future of the reserve land.

In any event Winstone operates the Three Kings Quarry in accordance with a Quarry Management Plan developed in consultation with Council and representatives of the Community Liaison Group (CLG), which includes members of the Three Kings United Group Inc., and has been functioning for a number of years now.

The week following the Community Board meeting there was a scheduled CLG meeting at which I presented similar material to that presented to the Community Board, i.e. about options for the site being presently considered by the company, and which include a variety of quarrying and/or rehabilitation alternatives.

Helpfully, Council's Group Manager, Environmental and Utility Management, Mr Michael McQuillan was at the CLG meeting, and was able to inform attendees that Council's 10 year review of the District Plan is imminent, making it timely in his opinion, for the community to be considering re-zoning and land use issues. His view was also that whatever Winstone decided, the situation was an opportunity for the community to start thinking ahead, and have more time to prepare a considered position for the plan review process.


An outcome was that other CLG representatives present agreed they would consider their position on the options, and the possibility of early cessation of quarrying, and table their views in discussion at the next CLG meeting in March 2007.

However, may I reiterate that I don't think it is the company that should be consulting the community over the future of the reserve land. While Winstone would be interested in participating, I think the determination of the reserve land's future should be through a process led by Council, just as Winstone would lead any process of obtaining resource consent(s) for rehabilitation, or uses other than quarrying, of its land, should that be necessary if the business option chosen is not the status quo.

Therefore my request to you is that this matter be re-tabled at the Community Board's first meeting in February this year, and for the Board to reconsider its position. I would hope to see a motion put and carried along the lines "That the Community Board recommends the necessary Council staff and resources be allocated to initiate and execute the appropriate process to determine the future of Council's Reserve land adjoining the Winstone Three Kings Quarry."

If it would be helpful, I am prepared to attend the Public Forum session of February's Community Board meeting and discuss this further. Please advise me accordingly.

Yours sincerely



Chris Scullin
Acting General Manager