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Background

Auckland Regional Council (ARC) has undertaken a review of the sanitary landfill operations throughout the region to ensure that all the necessary resource consents are in place. As part of this and with the assistance of territorial local authorities (TLA) throughout the region, closed landfills have also been evaluated. In this context Manukau City Council (MCC) produced an inventory of the historical landfill sites for its area.

Historical records revealed that 39 closed landfill sites existed within MCC owned property. Each site was evaluated to determine the potential for adverse environmental effects. A priority list of sites requiring further evaluation was generated for the MCC area.

In 1994 MCC began a programme of investigations to identify discharges of leachate and landfill gas from the old landfill sites that may be having an adverse effect on the environment, and where necessary and practicable to carry out remedial site works. In this regard, Manukau City is committed to finding longer term solutions to the closed landfills, and as far as possible eliminate associated risks to the general public in relation to health & safety and risks to the environment.

The programme includes carrying out assessments for each of the closed landfill sites; to elucidate which of the sites may require resource consents from the ARC. In the above context, and based on the agreed assessment criteria given below, this report has been prepared to identify Old Landfills that may require resource consents.

2. Assessment Criteria

In this report assessments of the Old Landfills have been carried out, based on agreed criteria between Manukau City Council and Auckland Regional Council. The key criteria are:

- Age of the landfill
- Type of fill
- Leachate discharge
- Proximity to water courses
- Hydraulics, water levels & rainfall
- Leachate toxicity risk factor

It was also agreed that assessments to evaluate the need for resource consents for the Old Landfills should be weighted towards assessment of environmental effects. This includes the assumption that the Landfill sites are public open spaces.



In meeting the above objectives, the following key issues were also considered to be part of the assessment process:

- Health and Safety of the General Public
- Structural Integrity
- Ecological Impacts
- Water Quality
- Sediment & Erosion Control
- Air Quality

The issue of land use and management were considered to be separate from the resource consent application process and as a consequence have not been included within this report.

3. Landfill Locations

The old landfill sites are located on MCC owned properties (with the exception of Miro Road site, which is owned by Te Puea Marae) and their names and road locations are listed below in Table 1. A map of each site is given in Appendix A of this document.

Table 1: Landfill Names and General Locations

No.	Landfill Site Name	Road Location & Suburb		
1	Hills Rd	Hills Rd, Mayfield Park, Otara		
2	Whitford Bridge	Whitford Road, Whitford Bridge Reserve, Whitford		
3	Pah Rd	Papatoetoe Cemetery, Papatoetoe		
4	Ngati Otara Park	Alexander Crescent, Ngati Otara Park, Otara		
5	Riverina Ave	Riverina Ave, Pakuranga		
6	Riverhills Park	Cnr Ti Rakau Dr and Gossamer Drive, Pakuranga		
7	Leabank Park	Claymore Street, Manurewa		
8	Miro Rd	Cnr Miro Road and Mahunga Road, Mangere Bridge		
9	Dale Crescent	Dale Crescent, Pakuranga		
10	Kingfisher Pl.	Kingfisher Place, Mangere		
11	Coxhead Rd	Cnr Coxhead Road and Kohiwi Road, Manurewa		
12	Oruarangi Rd	Oruarangi Road, Ihumatao		
13	Gt. South Rd	Great South Road, South Bank, Otahuhu		
14	Robert Allan Rd	Robert Allan Way, Pakuranga		
15	Roscommon Rd	Cnr Roscommon & McGlaughlin Roads, Puhinui		
16	Tiraumea Reserve	Tiraumea Ave, Pakuranga		
17	Old Quarry Rd	Cnr Walmsely and Coronation Roads, Mangere		
18	Udys Rd	Cnr Udys and Reeves Roads, Pakuranga		
19	Norana Rd	Norana Ave, Favona		
20	Ennis Ave	Ennis Ave, Pakuranga		



21	Kiwi Esplanade	Kiwi Esplanade, Mangere Bridge
22	Riverhills School	Between Gossamer Dr & La Trobe St, Pakuranga
23	Millen Ave	Millen Ave, Pakuranga
24	Ti Rakau Park	Between Cortina Place & Ti Rakau Dr, Pakuranga
25	Harania Ave	Harania Ave, Favona
26	Botany Rd	Cnr Botany and Andrew Roads, Pakuranga
27	Tanners Rd	Tanners Road, Mangere
28	Clifton Rd	Clifton Road, Beachlands
29	Bairds Rd	Bairds Road, Otara
30	Riverlea Rd	Tamaki Bay Drive, Pakuranga
31	Harania Inlet	John Fletcher Drive, Favona
32	Beach Rd	Beach Road, Favona
33	Bells Rd	Bells Road, Pakuranga
34	Elm Park .	Gossamer Dr, Pakuranga
35	Hilltop Rd	Cnr Hilltop and Redoubt Roads, Manukau Heights
36	Allenby Rd	Cnr Allenby and Great South Roads, Papatoetoe
37	Manukau Yacht Club	Kiwi Esplanade, Mangere Bridge
38	Mangemangeroa Bridge	Whitford Road, Whitford
39	Omana Park	Omana Road, Papatoetoe

4. History

The history of waste disposal in Manukau City, goes back to the period when the landfills were managed by former Manukau County Councils. Some of the former local authorities, which make up the present Manukau City Council, such as the Papatoetoe Borough Council, operated their own landfills. Papatoetoe Borough Council operated the Kohuora Crater landfill, but not for an extensive period of time. The Kohuora Crater landfill has been investigated and remediated separately.

Some sites have been considered and listed in previous reports but have since been found to be outside the scope of this investigation as they are in private ownership. These are Allens Rd, Point View Drive, Ruaiti Rd and Lukes Bridge.

The information available on the history of some sites is unclear. Further monitoring has been carried out on these sites to ascertain the extent of contamination and their effects on the environment. Furthermore, there are some sites, which have no recorded history of contaminated material or domestic refuse being dumped at them.

The relevant histories of individual sites are given with other respective information in Appendix E of this document.



5. Methodology

5.1 Preliminary Investigations & Screening

The investigations and monitoring carried out for this project were generally undertaken along the ANZECC (Australia and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council) guidelines for contaminated sites. The methodology allowed for general screening investigations on all landfill sites, leading to more targeted and detailed investigations on those sites that required further work.

The order of investigations had been adjusted in some instances to suit resources, local conditions and assess potential environmental risks associated with individual landfills. For example, initial sampling was undertaken in waterways adjacent to many of the landfills. However this was largely discontinued after results showed that there were low concentrations of contaminants in these waterways.

As part of the preliminary investigations and screening process, the methodology also included Leachate Strength Assessment as described in the ESR report "The Assessment of Ground and Surface Water Contamination at Former Landfills, Manukau City" on the Manukau landfills (July 1996). Details of the ESR report has already been described in previous MCC reports to the ARC. Nevertheless, the monitoring data for bore (B) and surface (S) water samples are given for reference in Appendix B.

In brief, the leachate strength is based on the average concentration of a set of key indicators relative to their concentrations in a typical landfill leachate. The set of indicators chosen consists of iron, manganese, zinc and ammonia. The other analytes consistently measured throughout the monitoring process have been cadmium, chromium, lead and zinc.

For each landfill site the most representative sampling locations were selected by considering the nature of the sampling location, the concentrations at that location and the consistency of results. Results from tidal pools, estuaries and streams were found to be too diluted and variable. For this reason, the decision was made to consider only springs directly out of the landfill and groundwater bores, to evaluate the leachate strength.

For each landfill site, the concentrations of each of the key indicators were averaged between the sampling locations at that site and over samples taken at different times at any one sampling location. The result is a representative average concentration of each of the key indicators at that site.

These average values were then divided by the concentration of those analytes in a typical landfill leachate. This gives for the site, the relative strength of each of the indicators.

These percentages for the individual indicators were then averaged to arrive at an overall percentage. This overall percentage gives an indication of the strength of





the leachate from the site relative to the strength of leachate from an operating landfill.

The reason that the strength of the individual indicators are considered separately is that it allows easier identification of possible outlier results and other possible anomalies in the results.

Table 2 below illustrates the methodology for deriving the Average Leachate Strength Values for individual Landfill bore (B) and surface (S) water samples.

Using the concentration of indicators in an operating landfill does not necessarily give a good indication of the potential for effects. The potential for adverse effects of each of the individual indicators may vary considerably. It is recognised that the above methodology does not take into account, the varying potential for effects from each of the individual indicators.

Table 2: Examples of Leachate Strength Assessment

Site	Site Type	Fe %	Mn %	Zn %	NH4+ %	Leachate Strength	Average Strength
Oruarangi 1	В	10.84	6.69	0.24	0	4.44	
Oruarangi 1	В	7.53	0	0.08	0.1	2.57	3.51
Coxhead Rd	В	33.13	4.46	4.65	1.4	10.91	
Coxhead Rd	В	26.2	0	3.38	1.24	10.28	10.59
Elm Park 1	S	1.3	3.5	0.08	0.06	1.24	
Elm Park 1	S	231.93	0.51	0	0.93	77.79	15.91
Gt Sth 3	В	30.12	0	0.18	0.15	10.15	
Gt Sth 4	В	11.14	0	1.03	5.11	5.76	7.96
Coronation Rd 3	S	12.65	7.64	0.28	0.2	5.19	
Coronation Rd 4	S	8.13	5.73	0.01	0.29	3.54	
Coronation Rd 3	S	10.54	7.01	0.14	0.16	4.46	
Coronation Rd 4	S	9.04	5.1	0.01	0.27	3.6	
Old Quarry 3	S	13.86	5.1	0.12	0.12	4.8	
Old Quarry 3	S	0.63	2.23	0.06	0.04	0.74	
Old Quarry 7	В	15.96	0	1.83	0.02	5.94	
Old Quarry 3	S	25	0	0.06	0.1	8.39	4.58
Harania 4	S	0.54	0.48	0.2	0.02	0.31	
Harania 2	В	0.11	0.25	0.1	0.03	0.12	
Harania 3	В	1.45	8.28	0.06	1.58	2.84	
Harania 5	В	1.99	0.57	0.07	0	0.66	
Harania 2	S	0.25	1.27	0.17	0.36	0.51	
Harania 2	В	3.92	0	0.05	0.11	1.36	
Harania 3	В	37.65	0	0.15	1.22	13.01	
Harania 5	В	6.93	0	0.21	0.05	2.4	2.39



The method assumes that the potential for effects for each of the indicators is equal at the concentrations in the typical landfill and varies exactly in proportion to the concentration of the indicator in the typical landfill. This is known not to be the case. For example, iron does not have a significant adverse effect on the environment relative to its concentration.

Nevertheless, the leachate strength values are useful as one of the screening tools for determining which of the old landfills could be considered as not likely to have any significant adverse effect on the environment, public health and safety.

In general, the methodology for assessing the old landfills also included, site descriptions, which take into account the physical setting and history of development, landfill operations and closures. Wherever possible, attempts have been made to measure the discharges of the landfills to streams adjacent or passing through the sites, by sampling at monitoring points immediately upstream and downstream of the sites, and at springs that migrate from the best known location of the filled areas.

Some of the old landfills, which have no recorded history of contaminated material or domestic refuse being dumped at them (i.e. have primarily cleanfill), were considered to pose no significant risk to the environment. Hence, no leachate monitoring was considered to be necessary for these sites.

The preliminary prioritisation was based on data such as the landfill size, age, the type of fill and the sensitivity of the surrounding environment. Detailed information on individual landfills is given in Appendix E of this report. The methodology for evaluation included other key factors such as:

- landfill capping & ground cover
- landfill stability
- public health & safety issues
- landfill status closed or operational
- landfill maintenance
- proximity to water courses
- landfill gas
- landfill odour levels

Table 3 below provides a list of landfills, which are considered to be of no significant risk to the environment or to public health and safety. This was established at an early stage of the investigations and hence as a consequence no detailed monitoring was carried out for these landfills.

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Table 3: Landfills considered not to be of significant risk to the environment after preliminary assessments

No.	Landfill Site Name	Road Location & Suburb		
15	Roscommon Rd	Cnr Roscommon & McGlaughlin Roads, Puhinui		
16	Tiraumea Reserve	Tiraumea Ave, Pakuranga		
18	Udys Rd	Cnr Udys and Reeves Roads, Pakuranga		
19	Norana Rd	Norana Ave, Favona		
23	Millen Ave	Millen Ave, Pakuranga		
25	Harania Ave	Harania Ave, Favona		
26	Botany Rd .	Cnr Botany and Andrew Roads, Pakuranga		
27	Tanners Rd	Tanners Road, Mangere		
28	Clifton Rd	Clifton Road, Beachlands		
29	Bairds Rd	Bairds Road, Otara		
30	Riverlea Rd	Tamaki Bay drive, Pakuranga		
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37	Manukau Yacht Club	Kiwi Esplanade, Mangere Bridge		
38	Mangemangeroa Bridge	Whitford Road, Whitford		
39	Omana Park	Omana Road, Papatoetoe		

Following this initial prioritisation exercise undertaken in July 1995, boreholes were drilled on the higher priority landfill sites and groundwater quality assessments undertaken. Where relevant, surface water quality assessments were also carried out.

For these landfills the leachate monitoring was carried out to ascertain the levels of contaminants and their potential adverse impact on the environment. Table 4 below provides list of landfills where boreholes were drilled.



Table 4: Landfills where more detailed investigations were carried out including leachate monitoring

No.	Landfill Site Name	Road Location & Suburb	
1	Hills Rd	Hills Rd, Mayfield Park, Otara	
2	Whitford Bridge	Whitford Road, Whitford Bridge Reserve, Whitford	
3	Pah Rd	Papatoetoe Cemetery, Papatoetoe	
4	Ngati Otara Park	Alexander Crescent, Ngati Otara Park, Otara	
5	Riverina Ave	Riverina Ave, Pakuranga	
6	Riverhills Park	Cnr Ti Rakau Dr and Gossamer Drive, Pakuranga	
7	Leabank Park .	Claymore Street, Manurewa	
8	Miro Rd	Cnr Miro Road and Mahunga Road, Mangere Bridge	
9	Dale Crescent	Dale Crescent, Pakuranga	
10	Kingfisher Pl.	Kingfisher Place, Mangere	
11	Coxhead Rd	Cnr Coxhead Road and Kohiwi Road, Manurewa	
12	Oruarangi Rd	Oruarangi Road, Ihumatao	
13	Gt. South Rd	Great South Road, South Bank, Otahuhu	
14	Robert Allan Rd	Robert Allan Way, Pakuranga	
17	Old Quarry Rd	Cnr Walmsely and Coronation Roads, Mangere	
20	Ennis Ave	Ennis Ave, Pakuranga	
21	Kiwi Esplanade	Kiwi Esplanade, Mangere Bridge	
22	Riverhills School	Between Gossamer Dr & La Trobe St, Pakuranga	
24	Ti Rakau Park	Between Cortina Place & Ti Rakau Dr, Pakuranga	

5.2 Standards & Guidelines

To assess the relative risks to the environment from landfill discharges, the leachate and water quality data obtained, are expressed as a ratio of the relevant standard or guideline.

Some of the contaminant guideline values used are those from the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency for the Toxic Characteristic Leaching Procedure (TCLP) Tests. Other guideline values, which are not given for the TCLP Test, are from the Australia and New Zealand Environment and Conservation Council (ANZECC) Guidelines for Fresh & Marine Water Quality. These ANZECC standards / guidelines have been developed as part of the national water quality management strategy for New Zealand and Australia.



Hence the standards / guidelines are considered to be relevant for use in the assessment of relative risks to the environment from discharges of the leachate.

5.3 Leachate Risk Factor (LRF)

To assess the level of risk to the environment from contaminants in landfill leachates, the basic principles used is similar to that used in the assessment of contaminants in drinking water for monitoring & grading of water quality. The methodology is simple and yet effective in comparing the level of contaminant in the leachate to the respective environmental standard or guideline.

For example, the drinking water standard (Drinking Water Standard of New Zealand 1995) for Boron is 0.3 mg/L. If the levels of Boron in drinking water supply is below 50% of the guideline value (i.e. less than 0.15 mg/L), then the **risk of contamination** is considered to be **not significant** and no regular monitoring is required for Boron.

On the other hand, if the level of Boron is measured at levels between 0.15 and 0.3 mg / L, then even though the contaminant level is below the guideline, the **potential risk** of contamination is considered to be significant and the monitoring must be carried out on a regular basis.

Of course if the contaminant level is above the guideline value then the water supply is in non-compliance and the risk to consumers from the contaminant is considered to be significant.

Similarly, as an example, the TCLP regulatory threshold level for Cadmium in landfill leachate is 1.0 mg / L. Hence concentration of Cadmium in the leachate at levels above 1.0 mg / L, would be considered to be of significant risk to the receiving environment. This would require regulatory consent for discharge of the leachate into the environment under specific conditions.

On the other hand, if the level of Cadmium is measured at levels between 0.5 and 1.0 mg / L, then even though the contaminant level is below the guideline, the potential risk of contamination is considered to be significant and the monitoring must be carried out on a regular basis. In such cases, a regulatory consent for discharge of the leachate into the environment may be required depending on other factors such as the sensitivity of the receiving waters and toxicity characteristics of the contaminant.

However, if the level of Cadmium in the leachate is below 50% of the guideline value (i.e. less than 0.5 mg / L), then the risk of any actual or potential adverse environmental effects is considered to be not significant and no regular monitoring is required. In this case there would be no requirement for discharge consent.

Hence the measured concentrations of contaminants in the leachate, are expressed as a ratio of relevant standard or guideline, to assess the relative risks to the environment from the landfill discharges. These ratios have been used as



part of the methodology in determining which of the MCC Old Landfills may require resource consent from the ARC.

It should be noted that the leachate risk factors (LRF) derived are only one of the key issues for consideration in deciding whether there is a need for resource consent. Other factors, such as relative significance of individual contaminants and sensitivity of the receiving environment may also be a key indicator as to whether resource consent for the specific landfill is required.

5.4 LRF Parameters for MCC Old Landfills

In case of MCC Old Landfills, five contaminant parameters have been used for calculation of the LRF. These parameters are Cadmium, Chromium, Lead, Ammonia-Nitrogen, and Total Nitrate levels. The criteria for selection of these parameters are based on the fact that:

- they are indicators of leachate toxicity to the environment and public health
- reliable standards or guidelines are available for these contaminants
- the borehole leachate data for these parameters were available for the assessments in this report

The LRF values obtained for the five individual contaminants are combined and expressed as a sum in Table 5 below. In terms of LRF, those landfill sites with relatively high values are highlighted and more detailed review carried out.

Note:

For ANZECC Guidelines (mg/L), allowance has been made for dilution factor of 100 times. This is necessary as these Guidelines are for levels in the receiving waters and need to be adjusted for comparable concentrations in the landfill leachate itself.

It should also be noted that the dilution factor in the receiving water is likely to be significantly greater with tidal influences at many sites.

The US EPA Guidelines are for levels in the landfill leachate in mg/L.

Combined LAF >5 - Significat:



Table 5: Calculation of Leachate Risk Factors for MCC Old Landfills

	Leachate Toxicity Risk Factors							
Landfill	Cd	Cr	Pb	NH ₄ -N	Nitrate	Totals		
Hills Rd	0.07	0.118	0.24	<mark>60</mark>	0.95	61.38		
Whitford Bridge	0.01	0.058	0.236	0.64	0.49	1.43		
Pah Rd	0.086	0.48	1.86	<mark>26</mark>	0.18	28.61		
Ngati Otara	0.029	0.028	0.104	4.6	0.52	5.28		
Riverina Ave	0.01	0.44	0.184	0.028	0.03	0.69		
Riverhills	0.01	0.004	0.0086	0.72	0.04	0.78		
Leabank		0.0138	0.0104	0.002	0.24	0.27		
Miro Rd	0.027	0.6	0.74	6.4	0.14	7.91		
Dale Cres	0.038	0.02	0.0172	7.4	0.02	7.50		
Kingfisher Place	0.01	0.024	0.034	0.158	0.05	0.28		
Coxhead Rd	0.01	0.014	0.11	1.26	0.03	1.42		
Oruarangi Rd		0.007	0.0094	0.086	0.085	0.19		
Great South Road	0.06	0.014	0.09	5.8	0.0017	5.97		
Robert Allan Rd	0.01	0.0062	0.017	18.8	0.11	18.94		
Old Quarry Rd	0.01	0.032	0.22	0.26		0.52		
Ennis Ave	0.01	0.002	0.004	0.094	0.037	0.15		
Kiwi Esplanade	0.01	0.14	0.4	0.138		0.69		
Riverhills School	0.01	0.002	0.02	0.0036	0.0003	0.04		
Ti Rakau Dr	0.01	0.0016	0.0148	0.058	0.042	0.13		
Harania Rd	0.01	2.8	0.6	1.42	0.0061	4.84		
Bairds Rd	0.01	0.006	0.04	0.054	1.2	0.11		
US EPA Guideline	1.0	5.0	5.0					
ANZECC Guideline				5.0	10			

The concentration values used for calculation of LRF for each of the chosen parameters are based on worst case scenario. That is, using the highest measured concentration of the contaminant in any of the leachate sample obtained from the respective landfill.

5.5 Criteria for Application of LRF

For an individual contaminant, a LRF value of over 0.5 is considered to be significant in relation to **potential** adverse effect on the environment. Hence,



the combined LRF value for five contaminants would need to be over 2.5 to be considered as being significant.

Similarly, for an individual contaminant, a LRF value of over 1.0 is considered to be significant in relation to actual adverse effect on the environment. Hence, the combined LRF value for five contaminants would need to be over 5.0 to be considered as being significant. Clearly in these cases there is a key indicator that shows that resource consent may be required for discharge of leachate to the receiving environment.

Hence, the Maximum Acceptable Value (MAV) for combined effects of five contaminants is considered to be 5.0 (i.e. combined LRF values of the five contaminants).

In relation to landfills with LRF values between 2.5 to 5.0, they may or may not have any significant adverse effect on the environment. In these cases other factors, such as landfill size, type of fill, receiving environment, etc., have also been taken into consideration in assessing whether these landfills require any resource consent.

5.6 Consideration of Other Factors

The methodology for evaluation includes other key factors such as:

- · landfill capping & ground cover
- landfill stability
- public health & safety issues
- landfill status closed or operational
- landfill maintenance
- proximity to water courses
- landfill gas
- landfill odour levels

The process involved site visits and assessments based on above factors, of all MCC Old Landfills (39 in total). Other details of individual landfills are given in Appendix E of this report. A summary of the information obtained is tabulated in Section 8.2.



6. Sources of Information

Information for this report has been drawn from a variety of sources. This includes information on the history, location and extent of the sites, which has been largely obtained from the recollections of long serving council staff. Furthermore, such information has been supplemented in places by the memories of the public who either worked on some of the sites, or lived near them at the time of filling.

Another source of information has been through an article in local papers (Manukau Courier and Eastern Courier), that asked former employees and residents to contact a nominated staff member. This drew a number of responses and provided historical information about some of the old landfills.

Information about the catchments of various streams flowing through or close proximity to the landfills, has been drawn from MCC Stormwater Catchment Management Plans.

The underlying geological information for Coxhead Rd and Pah Rd has been drawn from the Geological Map of New Zealand for the Auckland urban area (Kermode L.O. 1992). The remainder of the information has been drawn from the Geological Map of New Zealand, 1:25000 (Industrial Series). The sheets used were Sheet N42/5 (Eden) L.O.Kermode & E..J.Searle 1966 DSIR, Sheet N42/6 (Howick) L.O.Kermode 1975, Sheet N42/8 (Mangere) L.O.Kermode 1966, Sheet N42/9 (Whitford)) L.O.Kermode 1986.

Background information for the Pah Rd site was supplemented by information from the "Preliminary Site Investigation for the South Auckland Cemetery", January 1995 by Pattle Delamore Partners Ltd.

Chemical analysis results, interpretation and some background information regarding leachates, have been obtained from the MCC "Old Landfill Leachates" report and subsequent reports prepared by Environmental Science and Research Ltd.

Information from Bore logs, with the exception of Miro Rd, have been obtained from the MCC "Landfill Drilling Logs" report prepared by Groundsearch EES. The bore hole logs for the three groundwater monitoring bores installed at Miro Rd have been prepared by Manukau City Council staff.

Information relating to visual assessments and descriptions of the existing site surface, observable contamination, site stability, risk to public health and safety, and maintenance of the Old Landfill sites, are based on site visits by relevant GHD consultant and Manukau City Council staff. These are discussed in Section 8 of this report.