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Sent: Monday, 17 March 2014 7:44 AM
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From: Roma Paton [mailto:yuripatonplans42@gmail.com]
Sent: Friday, 14 March 2014 11:04 PM
To: Records
Cc: Jacky Jurmann
Subject: submission/Landfill

Good Morning Jacky,

Below is an electronic copy of a submission lodged at the Shire of York - over the counter with Haley.

This is from a resident of York who does not have the internet.

Would you please confirm receipt of this submission and that you can open the file and read it.

kind regards

Roma Paton

Jacky Jurmann


Manager Planning Services,
Shire of York.

Submission

Proposed Landfill at Allawuna Farm - Lot 4869(PT) 2948 Great Southern Highway, Saint Ronans

MY SUBMISSION IS WITHOUT PREJUDICE

from: K Edis

Po box 

York WA 6302

WE **do not** want the Landfill because of the following reasons.....

The proposed tip location is in a **HIGH RISK EARTHQUAKE ZONE**

If the liner cracks during an earthquake, it won't be able to contain pollutants anymore and so toxic pollution will be able to leak out through those cracks into the ground soil and water **SEE section 1 below** for a relevant article from news.com.au on this subject.

Rubbish tips can contain.....

Lead and Cadmium from discarded batteries

Mercury from broken long life bulbs.

Poisons from household cleaners (container residue)

Uranium and other radioactive isotopes from discarded smoke detectors.

Arsenic dust from offcuts of treated building pine

And...

The proposed tip is close to '13 mile brook' this brook **FEEDS the AVON CATCHMENT AND SWAN RIVER**

There is even a sign near the property entrance and river stating this as a FACT . **SEE section 2 below** for photo of this sign.

Any loose rubbish and pollution that is : accidentally spilled near the tip.

: and/or that have blown out of the tip.

: and/or that has been possibly washed out of the tip during one of the flash floods

the area is subject to.

Could be washed **into our AVON CATCHMENT** and also on to the **Swan River to Perth...**

Rubbish tips can contain.....

Lead and Cadmium from discarded batteries

Mercury from broken long life bulbs.

Poisons assorted from household cleaners containers.

Heavy metals from crushed electronic waste.

Medical waste Communicable diseases

Uranium and other radioactive isotopes from discarded smoke detectors.

Arsenic dust from offcuts of treated building pine

ASBESTOS particles

AND

Smell

There is evidence SITA already run smelly tips in Australia **SEE section 3 Below** for links to the EPA Victoria website regarding odours.

This would *not* be nice for residents in the immediate area, Nor any people down wind from the tip.

Also users of the Great Southern Highway unfortunate enough to 'suck in' the smell while passing the Rubbish Tip property.

What If the Tip **CATCHES ON FIRE ?**

All those burning plastics and unknown chemical toxins and poisons would become airborne, a toxic smoke cloud, it could blow all these poisons into the lungs of the residents of York.

Residents in Melbourne's southeast urged to stay indoors as toxic landfill fire spreads potentially hazardous fumes.

- JONNO NASH
- FROM THE HERALD SUN
- FEBRUARY 23, 2014 12:19PM

RESIDENTS in Melbourne's southeast are being urged to stay indoors as a toxic fire at a landfill site spreads potentially hazardous fumes over the area.

Residents in Dandenong South, Lynbrook, Hampton Park and Lyndhurst have been issued a Watch and Act alert, as fire crews at the scene in Taylors Rd, Dandenong South battle to control the blaze.

Authorities are warning residents to take immediate shelter and switch off heating and cooling systems.

Father-of-four Dragan Jovic said being bunkered in his Dandenong South residence made him feel like a prisoner in his own home.

"We can't even enter our own streets. We don't know what's going on," Mr Jovic said.

"The smell is unlike anything. It seems quite hazardous."

A CFA spokeswoman said firefighters are further assessing the hazardous risk to locals.

"It's not a simple fire to put out. The warning will remain in place until its risk is alleviated," she said.

Firefighters were called to the scene just before 10am and alerted residents of the threat.

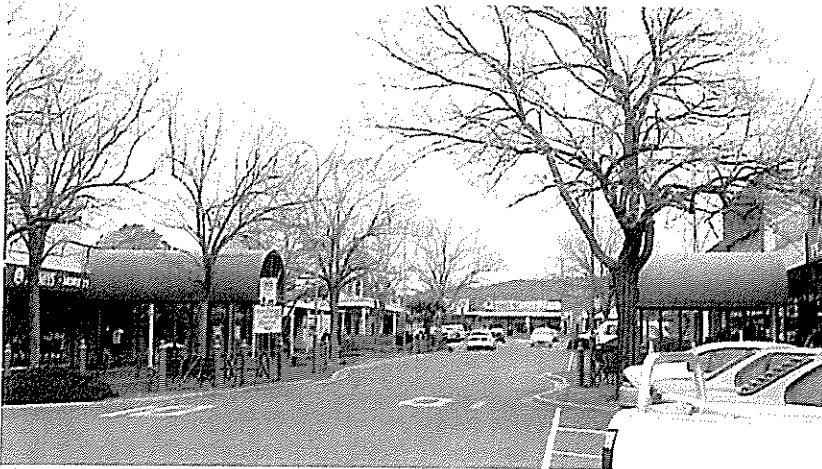
The chemicals within the landfill are thought to be fuelling the fire.

Here are all the information sections that I have collected for you to look at.

SECTION 1 - SOIL QUALITY -

<http://www.news.com.au/national/australias-earthquake-hot-spots-revealed/story-fndo4eg9-1226519537825>
Moe, York, Kirwan, Tenant Creek Australia's hotspots for earthquakes

1 YEAR AGO NOVEMBER 19, 2012 2:45PM



Moe in Victoria is at high risk of earthquakes *Source: Herald Sun*

MOE in Victoria, York and Kirwan in Western Australia and Tenant Creek in the Northern Territory are the regions in Australia with the highest potential for earthquakes, according to a new Earthquake Hazard Map of Australia launched today.

Seismologists from Geoscience Australia developed the map by analysing the location of past earthquakes nationwide. Since 1950 Australia has experienced 168 earthquakes above magnitude 5.0 and last year alone, 82 earthquakes were recorded at a magnitude 3.0 or above.

The Minister for Resources and Energy, Martin Ferguson, said the map estimates the likelihood of a particular area experiencing strong ground shaking from earthquakes and it is this, rather than the magnitude of an earthquake, that endangers people, buildings and infrastructure.

The new risk map is expected to impact Australian building standards.

"Although these maps do not enable us to predict earthquakes, they will allow engineers and planners to design and locate buildings and infrastructure so as to better protect our communities," Minister Ferguson said in launching the map.

He also expects the modelling and data, which have been made available to the public, will be used by emergency managers, researchers and the insurance industry.

View the [Earthquake Hazard Map of Australia](#)

SECTION 2 - WATER QUALITY

Inside the circled area note the small sign. This is the property entrance sign 'R & A CHESTER Allawuna'. Note also the blue and brown '13 Mile Brook' sign on the left of the photo - 13 Mile Brook is part of the the Swan Avon Catchment - This Brook passes through 'Allawuna'



SECTION 3 - AIR POLLUTION

The following articles are samples from the EPA Victoria website (page links below).

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/media-releases/media/%202009/june/25/sita-to-face-court-on-pollution-charges>

SITA TO FACE COURT ON POLLUTION CHARGES

SITA Australia Pty Ltd will be required to front the Sunshine Magistrates' Court on three charges relating to the environment. EPA Victoria has brought three pollution charges against the company, relating to **odours** allegedly discharged from the company's Brooklyn composting facility in September last year. EPA chairman Mick Bourke said the charges followed extensive investigation into odour in the Brooklyn area. "These charges reflect the serious nature of the alleged offences. EPA initiates enforcement options where necessary to bring about improved environmental performance."

The matter is set down for mention on August 11

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/media-releases/media/2010/july/07/sita-penalised-for-smelly-site>

SITA PENALISED FOR SMELLY SITE

A Brooklyn company responsible for composting green waste was convicted in the Sunshine Magistrates' Court yesterday (July 6) when it appeared on a charge of breaching its licence. SITA Australia Pty Ltd pleaded guilty to the charge and was fined \$35,000. The court heard that in May last year residents living in Yarraville and Brooklyn lodged several reports about **offensive odour** at their homes over a three day period. The residents described the smell as nauseating, overpowering and smelling like rotten vegetables, rotting compost or faecal matter.

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/media-releases/media/2010/february/01/guilty-verdict-for-sita-s-brooklyn-site>

GUILTY VERDICT FOR SITA'S BROOKLYN SITE

A Brooklyn composting facility was late last week (January 29th) found guilty and ordered to pay \$40,000 to a local council's environment and sustainability program for an odour incident in September 2008. SITA Australia Pty Ltd pleaded guilty in the Sunshine Magistrates' Court to breaching its EPA licence by allowing **odours offensive** to humans to be discharged beyond the boundary of its Brooklyn premises. The Court heard that local residents had complained on the day of the incident of an unbearable and sickening smell coming from the

site. .

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/our-work/%20publications/publication/2012/september/1503>

Hallam Road Landfill - Final Enforceable Undertaking – Community Information

EPA has negotiated an Enforceable Undertaking with SITA Australia following **odour offences** at its Hallam Road landfill site. Through the EU, SITA is obliged to invest heavily in best practice management for future cells and community engagement projects.

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/news-and-updates/news/2012/april/11/hallam-road-landfill-update>

Hallam Road landfill update

Odour from Hallam Road has been a longstanding issue for EPA and the community. The landfill's operator, SITA Australia Pty Ltd, has informed EPA that 'cell 8' - the major source of odour - will be closed by June. The cell is expected to be completely 'capped' by the end of September and should lead to an immediate reduction in odour. EPA has now finalised a brief of evidence against SITA paving the way for serious enforcement action...

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/media-releases/media/2012/september/24/large-scale-works-required-in-enforceable-undertaking>

Large scale works required in enforceable undertaking

EPA Victoria has negotiated an enforceable undertaking with SITA Australia following **odour offences** at its Hallam Rd landfill site. EPA CEO John Merritt said the EU is an appropriate response by SITA Australia for the hardship experienced by the community as a result of odour from the site. "We have listened to the community and think it appropriate that measures suggested by them at the restorative justice conference have been added to the undertaking," Mr Merritt said. The EU is legally binding and many of the measures will become part of SITA's licence.

<http://www.epa.vic.gov.au/about-us/news-centre/media-releases/media/2010/october/21/hallam-road-landfill-fined-for-july-odour-incident>

HALLAM ROAD LANDFILL FINED FOR JULY ODOUR INCIDENT

SITA Australia Pty Ltd has been fined almost \$6,000 by EPA Victoria following an **odour** incident in July this year. EPA received 15 odour complaints from residents living around the Hallam Road landfill in Hampton Park. EPA's southern metro manager Cameron Brown said EPA officers investigating reports were able to confirm the presence of landfill gas odour in parts of the Lynbrook residential estate. "SITA was fined for failing to adhere to a licence condition stipulating that offensive odours must not be discharged beyond the boundary premises," he said.

We do **not want** the proposed Tip in the shire of York.
Thankyou ,

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York WA 6302.

End of submission

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From: Jacky Jurmann
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From: Lynley Bashford [mailto:lynley@wsisperth.com.au]
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Subject: LANDFILL PROPOSAL BY SITA ON ALLAWUNA FARM = LOTS 9926, 4869, 5931, 26934

Dear Jacky
 For your attention.
 Kind regards,
 Lynley Bashford

LYNLEY BASHFORD & CHRIS MEADMORE

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ST RONANS W A 6302

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16th March 2014

Attn Jackie Jurman
Planning
Shire of York
YORK W A 6302

Dear Jackie

'WITHOUT PREJUDICE'

LANDFILL PROPOSAL BY SITA ON ALLAWUNA FARM LOTS 9926, 4869, 5931 AND 26934 GT SOUTHERN HIGHWAY ST RONANS.

We are ratepayers of the Shire of York.

We purchased our rural agricultural property in October 2009. This property is set up for mixed farming and we paid \$775,000 with the intention of establishing a biodynamic mixed farm by 2016 which would incorporating fresh milk, chickens and eggs, lambs and olives and olive oil production.

We have business interests in the city and both commute each day. We considered our choice of area carefully due to this need and considered that Great Southern Highway carried a lower volume of heavy traffic and other vehicles which enabled us to travel safely and within a reasonable time frame (1.25hrs each way).

We object strongly to any provisions being granted by Council to allow the construction of any landfill or associated industry in the agricultural regions of this Shire and in particular Allawuna which is zoned rural and for the past 60 or more years has had 1700 acres of its 3500 acres declared catchment area to the Mundaring catchment and therefore with a total clearing ban.

Reasons for our objections:

Next to the Mundaring/Helena Catchment – the proponent has plans for the whole of the 3500 acres –

- a. massive stench,
- b. pollution from refuse and methane gas flaring – our current water supplies from rainwater tanks and dams will be polluted
- c. constant noise and dust – we are less than 2km from this site
- d. visual pollution – visible from Mt Observation and eventually from Gt Southern Highway
- e. Great Southern Hwy will be a line haul for road trains – in addition to waste trucks in and out, sand trucks, water trucks and most likely other industries such as granite and clay mined from the site.

- f. Fire hazard – this area experiences high winds for days at a time and local Volunteer Fire brigades should not be expected to risk their lives and health and neighbouring farms should not live with the risk of major fires – the heat generated from landfills is extreme. This season alone we have not had rain for more than 90 days.
- g. Huge increase in blowflies, rat, and other vermin feeding on refuse.
- h. Lowered water table which will kill our trees and destroy our ground water supplies as planned bores to run the landfill will extract all the groundwater in the area.

This application is a direct contradiction of the Shire of York Strategic Plan – we refer you to the Vision, Objectives, and Priorities of this Plan.

Shire of York Town Planning Scheme 2 clearly states that the continuation of broadacre farming is to be encouraged, as is tourism and sustainable industry.

Should a development of this type be approved, York will become a ghost town. Ratepayers like us who have the interest and ability to live in the Shire and commute to businesses in the city will no longer have any interest in being in Shire – in fact it will become impossible with the dangerous traffic issues which will increase rapidly and result in many fatalities. In our time of travel WITHOUT this proposal we have been forced to take evasive actions many times due to the dangerous driving habits of truck drivers (and some cars) where the middle white line is invisible to them. Single car accidents we believe are caused by such behaviour which then forces an inexperienced driver off the road.

This of course will stall any growth in the town as people like us spend our money in York, groceries, fuel, stock feed, farm supplies, entertainment and general living expenses.

Already York has the lowest building approvals in more than 60 years! Note that the Balladong Retirement Village in York is offering massive discounts due to the fact that properties in York are virtually unsaleable except where the current situation has been concealed. (note the property to the west of us is a perfect example – an original sale price of \$1.2m after 4 years and 2 years of possible landfill nearby reduced the selling price to mid \$700,000K and only then to an unsuspecting city buyer!

Should the Shire of York in any way encourage support or approve this Application, we will pursue all our rights and remedies under the law in relation to compensation, loss of amenity and property devaluation.

LYNLEY BASHFORD

CHRIS MEADMORE

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From: Ralph McColl [Ralph.McColl@westernpower.com.au]
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Please forward attached letter to all Councillors for the Shire of York and other appropriate people as required.

thanks

Ralph McColl

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To The York Shire Council and Councillors,

Proposed Landfill in the Shire of York

Re: Landfill Proposal by SITA on Allawuna Farm – Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934
Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York, WA.

I (Ralph McColl) object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm and feel that the proposal must not be permitted. It does not fit within the Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No.2, which states under the general agriculture zone "to ensure the continuation of broad hectare agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities." Landfill is not an agricultural activity.

The proposed landfill is not acceptable with the Shire of York's Local Planning Strategy which states "protection of sustainable agriculture and preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources. It is also against the objectives of York's Community Strategic Plan which has an objective of "Protect and Enhance Our rural Land and Spaces" and a priority to "establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected. Landfill does not enhance or preserve but instead destroys our environment for future generations. Landfill should not be placed in our agricultural areas.

The landfill will not benefit York in anyway and I ask that the proposal not be accepted.

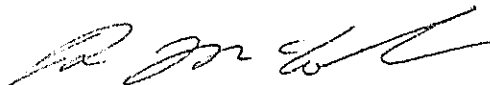
York is a fantastic tourist destination, being the first inland settlement in Western Australia, and does not want to become famous as the inland tip for Perth's rubbish. St Ronan's well is right next door to the proposed landfill. This watering point has kept thirsty travellers in water, and may well become polluted from the proposed landfill.

All neighbours in the local vicinity will also be subject to the risk of odours, airborne rubbish and dust from prevailing winds. Previous studies of ground water at other landfill sites have shown that pollution from these sites becomes prevalent in the water, despite all the proposed safe guards

I trust that the Shire of York and the York Councillors will do all in their power to stop this proposed landfill, as per the wishes of the vast majority of the York community, and not let a very minor section of the York community benefit from big business.

Yours sincerely

NAME: Ralph Thomas McColl



ADDRESS: 22 [REDACTED] WA 9930 Owner of lot 7082 Helena Road York.

DATE: 17/03/2013

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From: Glenn Bertrand [glb@bigpond.com]
Sent: Monday, 17 March 2014 9:17 AM
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Subject: Emailing: submission on SITA proposal to SOY

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submission on SITA
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Please find attached a submission on the proposed landfill at Allawuna.
The message is ready to be sent with the following file or link attachments:

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The Shire of York

P.O. Box 22

York. W.A. 6302

Attention: Jacky Jurmann, Manager of Planning Services

A Submission on the proposed landfill by SITA at lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Hwy St. Ronans, York.

As residents and ratepayers of York we object to this proposal for the following reasons.

Climate,

The applicant appears to have only taken into account the average annual rainfall. No consideration has been given to the flash flooding from summer storms which usually occurs once or twice a year.

Seismology,

The applicant agrees the proposed site is in a notable seismic activity area. However no earthquakes of a greater magnitude of 3.8 have been detected within 20km of the site. YET! What happens if or when it does?

Surface Water,

See "Climate"

Dust and Particulates,

The proposed site is 1.9 km from the nearest residence, but how far is it from arable land? A decent Willy-Willy would easily carry possibly toxic dust and particulate from dried leachate onto nearby cereal crops.

Leachate Dams,

The applicant states that the leachate dams must be large enough to contain two consecutive wet years (90th percentile) of rainfall generated leachate.

This is manifestly inadequate, due to the storm water from summer downpours onto the non hydroscopic soils and the landfill generated leachate.

Traffic,

The traffic assessment was undertaken using outdated data and does not include the impact of the Tier 3 Railway closure. In addition the applicant claims there would be 48 Road Train movements per day at 3 movements per hour. This would take a minimum of 16 hours, an impossibility for a 9 hour operating day! If the traffic impact was assessed using this data then it is a complete nonsense.

Future Expansion,

Once a noxious industry is allowed on one parcel of land there is little or no impediment to expansion, after all it's already contaminated.

Tourism,

The increase in Road Train traffic on the Great Southern Hwy will deter tourists from coming to York. As more and more people experience the sight of these behemoths appearing round a bend in the middle of the road or getting showered with gravel by one that's just slightly too far to the left, or worse.

People will die, Tourism will die, York will die.

The Allawanna proposal does not comply with clause 3.2.4 of the Shire of York Town Planning scheme No 2.

It does not retain or expand agricultural activity, it diminishes it.

It is a non-rural use that is monumentally detrimental to the environment.

It will have nothing but adverse effects on adjoining land and local amenities.

Glenn and Vicki Bertrand

Date

 York. W.A.

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Mrs Jacky Jurman and Councillors
Shire of York
PO Box 22,
York WA 6302

Dear Jacky,

As a resident of York I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm as it does not fit with Yorks Community Strategic Plan to protect and enhance our rural land and reserves,

Also under York's local planning strategy is states; "protection of sustainable agriculture and preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources". I do not believe that the landfill will enhance the environment in particular the area in which this is proposed, next to a water catchment area next to the 13 mile creek. The Landfill is in a seismic area and an extreme danger to our fragile water supply.

I object to the extra large road trains that will be driving on the Lakes Road to York which is already a dangerous and very narrow road, This will certainly cause accidents and deter tourists from coming to York.

I object as I do not believe it will be of any benefit to the community of York .

Please do not allow this to happen in our historic town.

Yours sincerely



Bette Sinnatamby
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To The York Shire and Councilors,

Re: Landfill Proposal by SITA on Allawuna Farm – Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York, WA.

I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm and feel that the proposal should not be permitted. It does not fit within the Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No.2, which states under the general agriculture zone "to ensure the continuation of broad acre agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities." Landfill is not an agricultural activity.

The proposed landfill is not acceptable with the Shire of York's Local Planning Strategy which states "protection of sustainable agriculture and preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources. It is also against the objectives of York's Community Strategic Plan which has an objective of "Protect and Enhance Our rural Land and Spaces" and a priority to "establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected. Landfill does not enhance or preserve but instead destroys our environment for future generations. Landfill should not be placed in our agricultural areas.

The landfill will not benefit York in anyway and I ask that the proposal not be accepted.

I object to the proposed Landfill on Allawuna Farm
because:

- 1) Water will be contaminated from the discharge from the Tip
Health risk is major concern for the York residents,
animals and flora.
- 2) Dust will cause a for Water Systems and the community's
health
- 3) The noise coming from the Tip, and the Trucks coming and
going.
- 4) Traffic: The road to the Tip is not suitable for the increase
of Traffic. Accidents as well as deaths are likely to
happen

Yours sincerely

NAME:

ADDRESS:

DATE: 16.3.14

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- 5) Storage of Chemicals: If the chemicals are not
stored correctly leakage is another major
concern

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James & Penny Boston
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Jacky Jurman & Councillors
The Shire of York
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Re: Landfill Proposal by SITA on Allawuna Farm – Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

As a resident of York I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm:

The proposal is **not** consistent with the objectives of **Yorks Community Strategic Plan** which includes an objective of **"Protect and Enhance Our rural Land and Spaces"** and a priority under this objective is **"Establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected"**

I object to road trains that will be driving along the Lakes Road known as "The Great Southern Highway" which is a dangerous and very narrow road.

This highly dangerous situation will prevent tourists from visiting the town of York.

Landfill sites are known to catch fire and to burn for weeks, and are difficult to extinguish. York Summers are long and temperatures well above 37 degrees Celsius with strong south-easterly winds. The site is also vulnerable to Lightning strikes during summer storms.. Smoke will destroy surrounding properties and even the town site of York.

There is no Mobile Phone service and the mainline phones are often not working, The local Voluntary Fire service would not have the training or equipment to cope with this type of fire with toxic emissions, which can burn for days even weeks. Legal action under common law is a very real possibility.

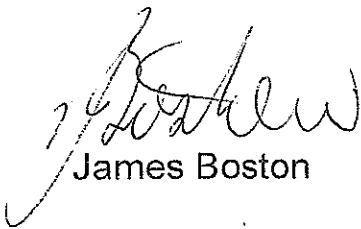
I strongly object to this landfill in York as I do not believe it will be of any benefit to the community of York as SITA is a Perth based business, that will not take local rubbish and is coming from Perth in trucks from Perth with rubbish from Perth, which will continue to grow every year in ever increasing amounts

Please do not allow this to happen in our historic town.



Penny Boston

16 March 2014



James Boston

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ALLAWUNA LANDFILL PROPOSAL

The proposal by SITA Australia Pty Limited to develop Allawuna Landfill, for Class 11 disposal of waste at

Lots 9926, 26934, 4869 and 5931, Volume 285/78A

Great Southern Highway, St Ronans, Shire of York,

I believe it is inappropriate to allow a noxious industry of this type in an environmentally sensitive and fragile area. York is a Shire whose main pursuits are agriculture, tourism and recreation and this "development" is the direct opposite of these pursuits.

General Agriculture Zone:

I don't believe the proposal is consistent with the objectives of General Agriculture and in particular on land that has been used successfully for cropping and grazing. The Shire of York Town Planning Scheme N0 2 clearly encourages the retention and expansion of agricultural pursuits. This is a noxious industry which shows no benefit to the district and is detrimental to the natural and rural environment.

Regard to residential use of adjoining land:

In moving to my small farm, I sought that peaceful rural amenity, close to bushland and forest. This proposal has the potential to seriously affect my amenity. My rural space will disappear with the odour, noise, pollution, views of rubbish and large trucks entering and leaving the property. I have recently been advised that my property would be very difficult to sell and has depreciated in value. I feel very disadvantaged, while a multinational company and one farming couple gain at my expense and also that of my neighbours.

The proposal indicates that the capped landfill will be 355 metre AHD. Clearly, it will be visible from Wambyn Road and the Great Southern Highway. The visual pollution is detrimental to neighbouring residents, the reputation of a heritage town and Shire, and to tourism.

Community Strategic Plan:

The Community Strategic Plan aims to preserve the environment for future generations and to sustain the natural environment. It is obvious that SITA will attempt to use much more of the farm than that stated in the proposal. Why buy a farm of this size to merely use 52 hectares? A massive landfill that caters for Metropolitan waste will seriously affect future generations and falls far short of these objectives of the Plan.

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Tourism is an important part of this town. This business will not encourage tourism and the development and diversification of businesses that will strengthen and broaden the economic base of the community. SITA has promised economic advantages to the Shire of York. The details from the company are missing – landfills require few workers and the truck drivers will be located in Perth. With the location chosen most of the needs of the landfill will be sourced from the Metropolitan area. This development will not benefit the Shire of York, economically or aesthetically.

Health problems from air and water pollution:

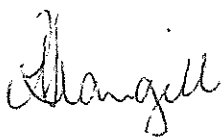
As a retired health professional, I am also very concerned about the emissions of toxic gases, micro particles and fires in a landfill. Landfills cause health problems. Despite the specified buffer zones, the windy, gusty conditions in this area will carry toxins and dust to surrounding properties. I also have serious concerns about water pollution. How can landfills be forced to move from the Swan coastal plain, because they leak and cause environmental problems, and then be situated in the water table, feeding into the Avon-Swan Catchment? I am now informed that research reveals that there is a direct link to the Helena River and the Mundaring Catchment. By SITA's own admission, the liners leak. (How convenient that the SITA modelling was 8.83 litres per day per hectare, when the mandatory allowance is 10 litres per day per hectare!) Given the proximity to water table, underground water and catchments any leakage is too much. It appears that it is permissible to contaminate rural water supplies, but not the city supplies.

Potable water:

I collect my domestic water from roofs of house and sheds. Stock on my farm are watered from dams. All of these sources have the potential to be polluted from this landfill. I need assurances that there will be regular testing of my water supply and recompense if pollution should occur.

There are also legitimate concerns about the road. SITA and the Main Roads Department can provide all sorts of statistics. When the increased truck movements are included with all other vehicles, the percentage increase appears small. But if the truck increase only is considered, the percentage is much more alarming. This road is too narrow, the shoulders are poor condition and there are too few passing lanes. It is dangerous now, let alone with the increase in high-sided semi trailers.

Adrienne Scargill



Lot 25724 Wundah Road, YORK.

ALLAWUNA LANDFILL PROPOSAL

The proposal by SITA Australia Pty Limited to develop Allawuna Landfill, for Class 11 disposal of waste at

Lots 9926, 26934, 4869 and 5931, Volume 285/78A

Great Southern Highway, St Ronans, Shire of York,

It is wrong to allow a noxious industry like a landfill in this environment. York is a Shire for agriculture, tourism, retirement and recreation and this "development" is the opposite of these things.

I am one of the nearest neighbours to this landfill, living on a small farm of 94 hectares. I oppose this proposal for the following reasons.

Agriculture:

York is an agricultural Shire and all the documents I have read from the Shire say that the aim is for that to continue. I have run my farm on organic principles for the last 30 years. This includes cropping, livestock, fruit trees and vegetable growing. Now that I believe that this can be done on a sustainable level, I am considering applying for organic certification. I believe there will be a high risk of contamination of my property from a neighbouring landfill. This includes toxins and other airborne particles that will be brought across on a southerly breeze. Also landfills and leachate ponds attract waterbirds and other scavengers, there is a real risk that crows, ducks, and even seagulls will be flying to nearby properties as well as swimming in my dams, thereby contaminating my property. A landfill is not about agriculture and will be damaging to the rural and natural environment.

Lifestyle:

30 years ago I came to this Shire to build a family home in a rural atmosphere. I currently enjoy beautiful scenery, fresh air and clean rainwater from my roof that is our only source of drinking water, all of which is under threat from a possible nearby landfill. If this landfill goes ahead I will not be able to sit on my front veranda enjoying a cuppa and the afternoon southerly, because I will be thinking of all the contaminated fumes and smells that will have evaporated into the air on a hot summer's day and is now blowing my way. Living so close noise will be a factor, at the moment we only have to put up with seasonal farm machinery such as cropping and hay bailing. If this landfill goes ahead there will be noise twelve hours a day every working day, this includes the rumble of empty trucks returning to Perth. At the moment friends say I wish I had a place like you, in the future they could be saying I am glad I don't live next to a rubbish tip like you do. Our quiet, rural lifestyle will be ruined.

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Property Values:

When I first purchased this property, it was part of my retirement plan "property superannuation". According to local real estate agents the value of my property has already dropped due to the landfill proposal. If the landfill goes ahead I will lose at least twenty percent of my retirement funds, that's if I can even find a buyer, which puts my retirement plan into real jeopardy. Two years ago we were looking to buy a five acre property in Giddegannup. We found that all the properties near the Red Hill landfill sight were at least twenty percent cheaper than other properties away from the landfill, even though they had similar features and housing. So I believe the same thing will happen here in York.

Environment:

There is a lot of documentation stating that the site is unfit for the landfill. When there is a leakage from the site due to nature's actions (earthquakes, downpours from thunderstorms) or human error there is a great risk of contamination of all property's along thirteen mile creek as well as water catchment areas.

Big companies don't follow the rules. The EPA stated that there were significant environmental problems with the site and that the company and DER would follow guidelines to stop the problems. I don't believe that will happen – all around the State companies are polluting and they get a fine which is too small an amount in their huge turnovers to worry them. They pay and keep polluting.

Effects on York:

There is no apparent advantage to the Shire of York. In fact, why should a heritage town and Shire take Perth rubbish for 37 years? Tourists travel to York for day trips and weekends and like to see not just historic buildings, but to travel through the bush and farms and enjoy the scenery on the way. At the moment York is still an attractive place for retiree's. Extra traffic created by Sita's heavy vehicles will be a deterrent to both.

This landfill should not go ahead.

Leslie Burrow



[REDACTED]

[REDACTED] Great Southern Highway, YORK.

Po Box [REDACTED], York 6302

ALLAWUNA LANDFILL PROPOSAL

The proposal by SITA Australia Pty Limited to develop Allawuna Landfill, for Class 1 disposal of waste at

Lots 9926, 26934, 4869 and 5931, Volume 285/78A

Great Southern Highway, St Ronans, Shire of York,

It is wrong to allow a noxious industry like a landfill in this environment. York is a Shire for agriculture, tourism, retirement and recreation and this "development" is the opposite of these things.

I live on a small farm opposite the proposed Landfill site with my partner Les Burrow. I strongly agree with all the reasons Les Burrow has put forward in his submission to the Shire of York, not to have the landfill to be put on the Allawuna site. I wish to put forward my no vote.

This landfill should not go ahead.

Janet Darr



Lot 9486

Great Southern Highway, YORK.

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To Jacky Jurman
Planning officer
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**SUBMISSION AGAINST THE SITA PROPOSAL FOR A CLASS 2/3 LANDFILL ON
ALLAWUNA FARM**

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Proposal Details:

SITA Allawuna Class 111 Landfill on Lots 9926,4869,5831 and 26934 Great Southern Hwy, York
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Name: Kimberley Hack and Penelope Mossop

Address: Lot 5200, Great Southern Hwy, York WA 6302

We live and operate a certified organic farm less than 2kms east of the proposed landfill.

We have been registered as a "sensitive site" with the Department of Agriculture. We have grave concerns in regard to this landfill.

Our farm is a popular tourist destination as well as the only certified organic farm(as far as we know) in the York Shire. We believe that the Shire and Government should support such enterprises and not support a proposal that will do damage.

Our reasons are as follows:

Air Emissions:

- **TOXIC DUST:** Leachate ponds used at the landfill site will dry out in summer. Strong winds and or willy-willies will spread this poisonous dust over the countryside and roofs that collect rainwater. Because we are not connected to scheme water we rely on rain water for all our domestic use. Also we use this rainwater to process our organic olives which are sold to markets locally and in the Perth metro area. To build in this area we have to prove that we have a source of potable water. How will we do this with this landfill in the vicinity? We grow organic grain crops and sell our organic free range eggs. These will also be threatened with contamination – not to mention all our home grown fruit and vegetables. This is a threat to our livelihood.
- **FIRE:** It seems to us that a fire in the landfill would be a distinct possibility. This could be caused by a fire on site or a bushfire coming in front of a strong westerly as occurred recently in the Mundaring-Stoneville area. This fire was totally out of control for some time. Landfills are known to burn for weeks and are very difficult to extinguish.(for example the coal fire at Morwell Victoria). It would cause poisonous air pollution and the smoke and ash would land on roofs polluting rainwater supplies. This could also pollute our crops as mentioned above.
- **ODOUR and NOISE:** Sita admits that it is usually not possible to obtain reliable measurements of odour concentrations in air in the vicinity of landfills. This means that Sita can do nothing if there is an odour problem, and all landfills smell. Nial Stock admitted at a public meeting that there will be machinery noise and this cannot be controlled. These factors violate our common law right to the enjoyment of our property.

Earthquake:

York has been assessed by Geoscience Australia as being the most likely place in WA to have an earthquake. The Meckering hotspot has moved west from Meckering to the York Shire. If there was an earthquake similar to the Meckering one the high density polythene liner would fail. This would very likely cause pollution of ground water, 13 Mile Brook alongside and the adjacent Mundaring Weir Catchment.

Precautionary Principle:

This is an internationally recognized principle that states: "When human activities may lead to morally unacceptable harm that is scientifically plausible but uncertain, actions shall be taken to avoid or diminish that harm." This includes threats to human health, future generations and human rights. Landfills will always cause detrimental effects on the environment and so to avoid harm they should only be placed well away from where this can cause harm to local residents. The chance should not be taken where there is every possibility that groundwater and water catchments will be polluted. All neighbours use the groundwater for stock and irrigation and Perth residents use water from the Mundaring Weir Catchment for drinking.

Sita commented at one stage that they did not expect to affect the nearby organic farm. "Expect" is not good enough.

Indemnification:

- The landfill site is surrounded by excellent cropping country with a reliable rainfall. No mention has been made anywhere about who will monitor crop contamination or who will pay for any clean-up needed. What happens about loss of property values?- This is already happening.
- The recent Steve Marsh contamination case makes it very plain that the loss of organic certification will have very serious consequences for all involved. The potential of contamination of our organic farm is there; the proposed dump has the potential to pollute groundwater, surface water and the air itself. If there was a single dump anywhere on the planet that did not leak at all then the proponent may have a case. However, no such dump exists, so by simple logic, the proponent has no case. All government agencies, local government and Sita themselves would be crazy to deliberately walk into this venture knowing full well the liability issues that will arise from a venture that is guaranteed to fail.

Agricultural Zoning:

As we know Allawuna Farm is within the General Agricultural Zone of the York Town Planning Scheme. This proposal does not fit with any of the objectives in clauses 4.15.1 and 4.15.2.

- This development will no doubt eventually take over the whole farm destroying broadacre agriculture on that farm. There are distinct possibilities of it damaging neighbours farms and their livelihoods.
- It will have detrimental effects on the environment as mentioned above.
- It will compromise recreational use of Mt. Observation.
- The effects on adjoining residents have not been considered, in fact ignored.
- The rural character will be destroyed.

In every way this proposal violates the principles of the zoning requirements. This is farmland not industrial land.

Great Southern Hwy:

This is a dangerous road on which there are already too many accidents. It is not suitable for increased road train usage(2 every 20 minutes). There are no government plans to upgrade the road.

There will be a huge disincentive for visitors to use it. More trucks will come the other way from outlying communities disposing of their rubbish. Local tourist businesses need encouragement, not disincentives.

CONCLUSION

Our community may never recover from being turned into a rubbish town. At present it is a very pretty, heritage, tourist town. The surrounding country is as beautiful as any in WA and contains the richest soil and best rainfall for agriculture; Allawuna Farm being on the west side - even more so. The town attracts many visitors and people looking for a tree change. With all the proposed subdivisions, it would not be wise to change its rural character.

A decision to go ahead with this would be totally irresponsible. The EPA in their assessment of the proposal commented on the unacceptability of the present "ad hoc" approach to the placement of landfills. Minister Jacobs in his report after the appeals process said: "My decision should not, however, be taken to infer that the proposal is environmentally acceptable."

It is essential that the government takes control of waste management in all its facets thus avoiding these unacceptable and unsustainable proposals. Until landfills have become obsolete, suitable sites need to be found where communities are not going to be badly disrupted or destroyed by serious environmental and social consequences.

Additional late information

- depth of water table:

It has just come to our attention that there is a massive error (in excess of 20m) in Sita's ground water level data (see appendix 1, Rockwell report attachment 2).

This supports our belief all along, based on a personal site inspection that included actually measuring water depth in the bores, that the proposed development never was going to be a landfill.

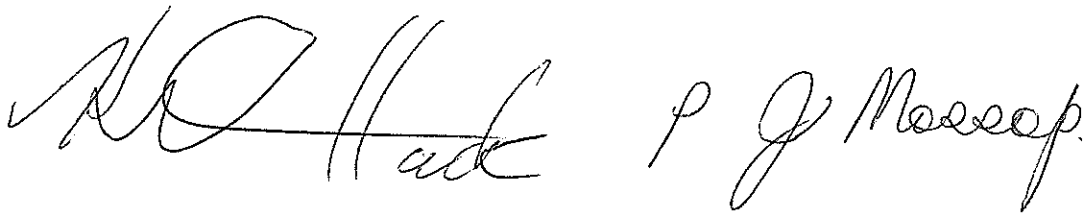
It could only ever be a dump of rubbish virtually on the ground, incredibly enough equalling Mt. Observation in height at its completion. Such a monster certainly would be visible proof that York had become West Australia's "Rubbish Town".

- Palaeochannels:

The above, together with professionally supplied data showing nearby palaeochannels actually flow into the Helena drinking water catchment (see page 3 appendix 1 above) AND similar advice showing a predicted, guaranteed, minimum of 180,000 litres of polluted seepage from the dump entering these channels every year, all add up to an extremely dangerous proposal.

This is simply no way to handle refuse in the 21st century, and the Shire of York is surely morally duty bound to prevent it happening.

Yours sincerely Kim Hack and Penny Mossop

The image shows two handwritten signatures in black ink. The signature on the left is 'Kim Hack', written in a cursive style with a large 'K' and 'H'. The signature on the right is 'Penny Mossop', also in cursive, with a large 'P' and 'M'.

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SUBMISSION TO THE PLANNING COMMISSION

Re: Proposal by SITA Allawuna Farm – on Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 on Title Vol 285, Folio 78A

Great Southern Highway St. Ronan's YORK WA

For the purpose of Landfill Class III.

Works approval No: W558/2014/1

Allawuna Farm

A Gigantic Rubbish Tip:

This food producing farm should continue to be used for growing food. One of the highest rainfall areas in the Central Wheatbelt, 496mm of rain per annum, from records over the last 37 years by a nearby farmer.

If this landfill is approved, will it set a precedent for similar use of other agricultural land?

Water Quality:

Danger of the impact of the proposal on surface and groundwater's, most landfill sites eventually leak, with age any type of tip lining will eventually deteriorate and split. Leachate ponds can leak and overflow following heavy rain and flash flooding from storms. Danger of contamination to water and soil. The western boundary of the property is the eastern boundary of the Mundairing Catchment area.

The proposed landfill site contains the Thirteen Mile Brook, this waterway drains into the Helena Catchment and ultimately the Swan – Avon River.

Water Supply:

Water supply for the surrounding farm properties is from rain and bores, dams and tanks. Water will inevitably be polluted from dust and particles due to activity at the tip site and the wind carrying dust everywhere. There is no scheme water.

Air and Noise Pollution:

Dust will be a constant problem from the regular movement of large trucks, bulldozers and machines compacting rubbish. Noise from this activity including beeping from turning machinery and pumps sending leached fluid to leachate ponds.

All this from 6am to 5pm daily, 5 and a half days for the next 40 years. Obnoxious odours will also drift over the area from time to time.

Earthquake Zone:

The centre of the SWSZ is now York (Geoscience, 2013).

In York, the ground moves and shifts constantly, cracks in structures occur frequently.

Transport:

The Lakes to York road is a dangerous narrow winding road, not rally suitable for the movement of the increasing number of large vehicles used to transport wheat, sheep, petroleum and earth and gravel. SITA initially plans six road train movements per hour, this could increase to at least 10 road train movements per hour.

This increase of large transport on the road will gradually deter day visitors and tourists from visiting York. There are few overtaking sites along the road. All food and drink business' in York depend largely on the custom of a regular stream of visitors and tourists.

The road surface will be damaged by the increase in large heavy haulage vehicles, constant repair to parts of the road will slow down traffic leading to frustration of drivers and subsequent increase in accidents.

Environment:

Areas that could be polluted short term and long term, nature reserves and Wandoo National Park plus surrounding farm properties.

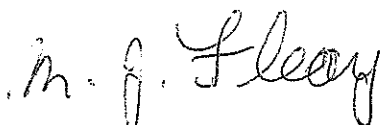
In the area south and southeast of the proposed landfill a ten year rehabilitation plan to improve and protect water quality from streams continues. Areas have been fenced, tens of thousands of trees have been planted. This could be jepordised if the landfill leaks.

This proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm for Perth's rubbish is due to lack of forward planning by our state government for disposal of rubbish.

The few benefits that may apply to the Shire of York from the project will be outweighed by the long term damage to the area and how that will effect Yorks town and Shire.

Kind regards

Marjorie J. Fleay

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To The Shire of York,

Please find attached my personal letter of objection to the proposed landfill on Allawuna Farm by the waste management company SITA.

If there any issues with my letter of objection or if you require further information, feel free to contact me at your earliest convenience.

Kind Regards,

Jake Davies
 Undergraduate Civil Engineer
 Curtin University

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To The York Shire and Councillors,

I wish to register my objections to the Landfill Proposal by SITA on Allawuna Farm – Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York, on the following grounds.

Landfill activities are not consistent with the objectives of General Agriculture and in particular on land that has been historically used for cropping and grazing. The landfill does not fit York's town planning scheme.

Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No 2

4.15 General Agriculture Zone

Objectives

To ensure the continuation of broad-hectare agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities.

1. To ensure the continuation of broad-hectare agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities.
2. To consider non-rural activities where they can be shown to be of benefit to the district and not detrimental to the natural resources or the environment
3. To allow for facilities for tourist and travellers, and for recreation uses.
4. To have regard to residential use of adjoin land at the interface of the General Agriculture zone with other zones to avoid adverse effects on local amenities

This proposal is of no benefit to York, its' community or its' natural environment. Landfill is not an agricultural activity and should not be placed in a zone that will have disastrous effects upon the surrounding agricultural properties.

This proposal does not provide facilities for tourist and travellers or any recreation uses and will have a detrimental effect on tourism in York.

This proposal is not consistent with the objectives of York's **Community Strategic Plan** which states:

Environment – Preserving and sustaining our natural environment.

Our Vision – Our environment will be preserved for future generations, protecting viable rural land, whilst our town grows and develops.

One of the **objectives** includes the protection and enhancement of our rural land and spaces.

One of the **priorities** under this objective is to establish land use strategies to ensure that rural and farming land is protected.

One of the **objectives** is to "Facilitate Sustainable and Managed Development".

One of the **priorities** under this objective is to protect primary agricultural areas through effective land use management.

The proposal is not consistent with the **Local Planning Strategy** which includes “protection of sustainable agriculture and; preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources”

Economic

1. Encourage Tourism that is complimentary to the character of the Shire and is compatible with the lifestyle and aspirations of the community
2. Protect broad acre agricultural areas from inappropriate development and intrusion by urban and semi-rural uses

Landfill does not comply with any of the objectives in York’s Community Strategic Plan and Local Planning Strategy, both of which are concerned with preserving, enhancing and protecting agricultural land. Landfills have been well documented for their noxious affects upon the environment and the positioning of Allawuna next to a catchment area is unsuitable for this purpose.

The proposal is not consistent with **State Planning Policy 2.5 – Land Use Planning in Rural Areas**

Part 4. Objectives of this Policy

1. To protect rural land from incompatible uses by –
 - I. Requiring comprehensive planning for rural areas
 - II. Make land use decisions for rural land that support existing and future primary production and protection of priority agricultural lands, particularly for the production of food; and
 - III. Providing investment security for the existing and future primary production sector
2. To promote regional development through provision of ongoing economic opportunities on rural land
3. To promote sustainable settlement in, and adjacent to, existing urban areas
4. To protect and improve environmental and landscape assets
5. To minimise use conflicts.

The landfill proposal has caused an enormous amount of stress, deep concern and conflict within the community of York and the local shire and Councillors. York is a historic town relying upon agricultural and tourism. The landfill has the potential to destroy both of these industries to some degree, which is of no benefit to York.

In accordance with planning policy, the proposed landfill site is both illogical and unsuitable due to the following factors:

- The location is in an agricultural zone.
- The site is situated alongside a significantly unsuitable highway not designed to transport high volumes of heavy trucks and with few overtaking lanes.
- There is no water supplied to the site.
- The power supplied to the site is unsuitable for large applications.

“Woodglen Farm”, Avon Loc 9386 Great Southern Highway, York 6302.

The following is general background information that illustrates my current and future situation on my property.

I am 21 years old and am currently studying at university during the week to achieve an honours education in Civil Engineering at Curtin University and am currently in my final year of studies. My university education is planned to serve as a secondary profession. My primary source of income and profession for the future will come directly from working and managing my family farm. The farm is extremely close to my heart as I am the fourth generation of Davies to have farmed this property. The farm is situated only 2 kilometres from the proposed site, and is very susceptible to many of the dangers exhibited by the proposed landfill. I plan to live on the farm for the entirety of my life and plan to raise a family on it. The farm is extremely important to me. I have planned my entire future to revolve around it and could not imagine living anywhere else. This landfill proposal severely affects the farm's future in a wide range of ways and it is for this reason that I am so strongly opposed against the proposal.

I have grave concerns regarding the air emissions from the landfill. Quality of breathing air is immeasurably important. It is one of the primary inputs into our bodies, and any contaminants will be filtered and absorbed by our bodies.

Methane released from the landfill is a significant concern to myself, being situated so close to the proposed site. This gas is noxious, odourless and colourless in nature and will cause serious illness when the wind is blowing towards the North-East. The effects of this harmful gas will most likely be constant, and will seriously impair my well-being and general health. Working on the farm, nearly all of the waking day is spent outside, exposed to all air and contaminants carried by the wind.

Fire hazards are also a concern of the landfill. The Avon Valley relies on local fire fighters to battle many of the fires as there are not the resources to employ a large fire fighting team for the area. The volunteers receive no benefits, and provide their time at great personal risk on the basis that they know that others will help them if they're properties are to ever fall victim to bushfires. SITA has stated that they expect the local volunteers to help them when required, which is deemed frequent on landfill sites due to the flammable gases and constant working of machinery. Landfill fires are not as simple and straightforward as other fire types. They contain countless types of toxins and harmful gases that will be absorbed by the fire fighters. Not only does this have the potential to affect their health post-fires but it also has the likelihood of impairing their abilities on the fire ground, greatly increasing their risk of being rendered unconscious, dazed or irrational. These risks cannot be allowed on the fire ground as the chance of a fatality occurrence will become significantly high. The local fire fighters are not equipped in any way to manage harmful toxins or gases and nor can the money be spared to fund such equipment. Nearly all of the farming community in York are volunteer fire fighters, including myself and my family.

Dust emissions are one of my largest concerns regarding the proposal. Fine dust particles from the landfill contain many toxic substances, from carcinogenic toxins to asbestos. This fine dust can be carried by the wind over vast distances with ease and is impossible to control. I have seen wind do this countless times, stripping un-vegetated paddocks of topsoil and carrying it kilometres away to neighbouring farms. This would be the same of the proposed landfill, unprotected loose particles on the hillside where there is a large amount of unprotected area from Southward winds, which would blow directly towards my property. This dust has the potential to significantly impact upon the health of my livestock, my land's bio-security, my family and myself. The dust would settle on all areas and

surfaces. Dust settling upon the paddocks and dams would be directly consumed by the livestock and may significantly alter and impair their health and genetics.

The dust would also settle within my home and on my roof. There is no provided water in this area. All of the water that we use is collected through dams and water tanks. Our only source of drinking water comes from the roof of our house. Dust settling upon the roof would then wash off with the rain and into our water tanks, being consumed directly with every glass of water. The health impacts that this will have upon myself has the potential to be extremely significant, illness, headaches, diseases and conditions. My major concern however is for my future family, the children that I plan to raise in what should be a healthy and positive environment. The health effects that drinking the dust contaminated water could have upon a developing child are extremely concerning. They could easily develop significant health conditions and illnesses, which have the potential to significantly reduce their quality of life as well as their life expectancy. In no way does a private waste company have the right to expose families to these conditions simply because it is deemed convenient for them to dump waste in an irresponsible manner and in an inappropriate location. Residents should not have to pay the price so that SITA can make a profit, it is unethical, immoral and unacceptable.

There is a large potential for the landfill to leak leachate into the ground and thus water system on the proposed site. HDPE liners are in no way tear proof, it was stated by the lead consulting engineer of the proposed landfill Mr Bruce Bowman, that they can easily be pierced and compromised like any other similar material. With such a vast array of rubbish, it is almost certain that there will be sharp objects that will pierce through the liner once applied with vertical pressures from the bulldozers and earthworks equipment.

The liner also has large potential to be compromised by earthquakes. The wheatbelt is a hot zone for earthquakes with an earthquake of magnitude 7.1 predicted to occur at York in the near future. The HDPE liners have been shown to tear at a magnitude of 5, which would almost certainly occur if predictions are even vaguely met. The magnitude of earthquakes is measured on the Richter scale, which is logarithmic in nature. This means that an earthquake of magnitude 7 is actually 100 times greater in amplitude than an earthquake of magnitude 5. If an earthquake is predicted to occur in the area that is 100 times greater in amplitude than the tear threshold of the liner, how can the liner in anyway be expected to offer any protection to the ground water contamination. The border of the proposed property is signed by the Water Corporation to be within the catchment area of the Mundaring Weir, which not only acts as a source of drinking water for a large area of Perth and the Hills, but also areas as far as the Goldfields region. This has very similar potential to affect these people and their families as the dust contamination for my own drinking water.

Noise emissions will be highly disruptive to the area, for both residents and local fauna. The continual noise of heavy machinery will be audible for kilometres as unlike in residential areas, there is no other constant noise that cancels and drowns out large sounds. The noise could be highly disastrous to the fauna, especially in neighbouring and nearby reserves, which already acts as a reduced habitat for native animals. If they are pushed further away from the site by the noise then there allocated land will be even smaller. This would likely reduce the populations of fauna, which would be a great blow to the local environment. The discomfort to residents would be extremely annoying, many of whom have purchased properties in this area to be removed from the noise and stress of residential areas.

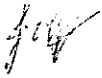
There is large potential for the landfill to discharge physical pieces of rubbish across land to both neighbouring properties and nature reserves. Wind in the region reaches

significant velocities, with many willy-willies (mini tornados) form on hot days and can pick up items as heavy as sheets of metal. As previously stated, the proposed site geography is very open from wind travelling in a Northern direction. The fences proposed by SITA are only proposed to be 1.8 metres high, which will not be sufficient in preventing wind and willy-willies against displacing rubbish beyond the landfill boundary.

Flash flooding is also a large concern in the area and has the potential to carry rubbish swiftly and unpreventable off-site into local streams such as 13 Mile Brook.

I object to this proposal. The precautionary principle should be used here on the grounds that it will cause unnecessary contamination to an extremely pristine and important area and has the potential to pollute important potable water sources.

Yours sincerely,



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From Keith Schekkerman

Hello Jacky

There appears to be something wrong with the Shire's "records" email address.

To Shire of York

From Keith Schekkerman

Attention Jacky Jurmann

Please find attached my submission commenting on the SITA proposal before the York Shire Council.

Keith Schekkerman

March 17th 2014

Shire of York

SITA submission from Keith Schekkerman

PO Box 1000, York WA 6302

To Shire of York

Misleading & incorrect information in SITA's documentation.

It is of concern that as part of the SITA documentation, no environmental documents were provided. While SITA is applying for Planning Approval, these can't be made by the Shire without taking into account environmental issues. The only source of environmental matters will now be the material from submissions from objectors to the proposals.

Amongst the documentation that should have been received by the Shire is the paper work in relation to the bores that have been installed around the proposed development. Six new bores have been drilled since the EPA report. None of the new bores are incorporated in any of the tables nor are the new bores data plotted on any maps. It appears to be a concerted effort to keep the DER and the York Shire Council in the dark. If the Shire did see fit to take the various environmental reports into account (as per York Town Plan) it would find that the amended maps would show that the area in question is in fact part of the Helena River catchment. The underground paleo channels run straight into the catchment area and consequently into the Mundaring catchment. (See data as part of AVRA) This is the most important environmental information, as it affects that State's water supply.

In the various hydrology reports, including those to the EPA & DER, is incorrect information. The various reports dealing with the water table and referring to the data collected from the initial eight bores, all AHD levels quoted are incorrect. These levels are out by about 25 metres. From the Baseline Groundwater Report, it appears six new wells were drilled. No mention of this in any report. SITA has failed to update their maps with the locations of the new bores and also no updated ground water contours are supplied. The same applies to various tables; the new bores are not in the tables. All this material should have been provided to the York Shire Council.

It is my assertion that this is not just an oversight. The data has been withheld from the DER and the York Shire Council to obscure the fact that the new data indicates that the ground water contours are different to SITA's original projections. It could also indicate that the paleo channel runs in a different direction, westerly into the water catchment and that the area proposed for the landfill is in fact part of the Helena River catchment. (See data from AVRA submission)

It is my understanding that three new bores have been drilled just outside the Allawuna property, by a government agency. The data from these bores could be taken into account in forming a more complete picture of the hydrology of the area.

The fact that this incorrect information has not been picked up before, indicates that the processes being followed are short of what should be expected. The fact that the EPA, the Appeals Convenor and now maybe the DER and the Shire of York seem reluctant to seek appraisals by independent experts and instead rely on SITA to answer their queries, shows a weakness in the evaluation process. The Department of Water needs to be involved in evaluating this new information. The EPA and now the DER and SOY are making decisions having been provided with incomplete, incorrect and misleading information. (For details see AVRA submission)

The second lot of mistakes are in the various sections dealing with the height of the finished landfill and the assertion that nothing can be seen from anywhere. The height of the finished landfill is given as 327 AHD, this is after 25 metre of landfill is deposited. (Reports to York Shire) If one takes close look at the topographical maps, you will see that at the highest point in the proposed landfill at the present ground level is at 328 AHD. According to the SITA report the finished level is one metre below the present ground level. Unless SITA is intending to dig a large hole before starting to deposit the waste, their figures are plainly wrong. A more realistic finished level is around 355 AHD. The levels on the maps are correct, yet the text is wrong and draws the wrong conclusion.

This will mean that the tip will be visible from various points in the landscape. It will be visible from the Perth Rd as it will be 25 metres higher, as well as visible from Mt Observation. This would amount to visual pollution and would come under emissions to air, the domain of SOY. Could this be an innocent mistake? Well, yes, it could be. However it is far more likely that SITA, and their agents massaged the figures to make them fit their predetermined projections. If one looks at the various reports and the multitude of expert agencies that have worked on them, it is beyond comprehension that they were not aware of what they were doing. They have wilfully mislead the EPA, the Appeals Convenor and are now in the process of doing the same to the DER and the SOY. (For further technical details see AVRA submission by D & B Hill.)

The DER and the Shire of York must make their determinations on the material before them. This material is incorrect and incomplete. To accept amended reports from SITA would be inappropriate and would undermine the whole consultation process.

Planning Issues

The SITA report makes an elaborate argument why the landfill is needed in the wider context of a growing Perth population. The report by the Appeals Convenor to the Minister contradicts all this by stating: *"The DER also advised the EPA that there are other landfills, existing and proposed, that could meet the needs of the metropolitan area for the next 10 to 15 years and the proposal could constitute an oversupply of landfill space"*. Allawuna is wanted by SITA, because it would be the most profitable solution for them and their shareholders, no other reason.

In the main report, page 6 item 7.2 State Planning Strategy 2012 draft.

The Strategy identifies the need for: "A network of strategically located waste management facilities and infrastructure (that) will assist in recycling and stimulate innovation in reprocessing". *SITA makes a big deal out the fact that it recovers 150,000 tonnes per annum and diverts it from landfill. Nothing in any report that even hints at the probability that any of the waste to be taken to Allawuna is subjected to any form of recycling. In the 21st Century – no organic waste of any type, glass, plastic or any toxic matter e.g. fluoro tubes or E waste, should be buried, especially next to a water catchment area.*

SITA also talks about a report by the Avon Sub-Regional Strategy, which **clearly identifies the need for the location of regional waste disposal facilities in the rural areas of the Avon, etc.** *A Regional Waste Disposal facility is just that – it caters for the Region. There was never any intention to host a metro waste facility.*

Page 7, Item 7.4 Shire of York Local Planning Strategy 2007.

SITA argues that the proposed landfill should be treated no differently to a quarry, piggery or tannery.

It is a bit ironic for SITA wanting to be compared with a quarry, as the Allawuna property holds large deposits of Kaolin clay, the extraction of which nobody wants to talk about. As far as piggeries and tanneries, if these industries do not or can't conform to their undertakings or conditions, they can be closed down. If a landfill is in breach of their conditions, nobody is going to close them down, as it is not practical to stop the waste stream coming from the metro area.

Also, more arguments to show how beneficial the industry will be to the district.

All figures supplied, have varied widely over the last twelve months and all amount to clear nonsense. They might well buy a few bits from the hardware shop, but their main lines of supply will come from the metro area, as will their transport needs. The undertaking will create some jobs, but the negatives elements of the proposal far outweigh the positives. Our local member Mia Davies, the Minister for Lands and Water is of the same opinion. (See her last newsletter)

On page 11, Item 8.5 Surface water and groundwater interaction.

The surface water and groundwater systems in the vicinity of the proposed landfill footprint are disconnected by a thick layer of surface clay that covers the area.

This is true. However this is the kaolin clay that naturally occurs in the area. This type of clay is porous and has many channels/ cracks running through it from tree roots past and present. It appears the company will rely on this to be water proof. They do not intend to engineer a layer of clay under the landfill that can be relied upon to be water proof. A certain amount of leakage of leachate is permitted as no construction is fool proof. In full production this amounts to an allowance of about 400 litres per day, leaking straight into the water table below. Taking this into the context of the paleochannels running west into the catchment, this clay is just not suitable.

All through the various report it states that the bottom of the landfill will be at all times at least three metres above the water table. During the inspection tour in May 2012, the bore at the bottom of the proposed landfill (No 6) was overflowing. This was at the end of summer, before any rain had fallen. If the bottom of the landfill is going to be three metres above the water table, the company needs to put fill in that is four metres thick. None of this is mentioned in the plans; however the company has given undertakings that no dewatering will take place. So no pumping will take place to lower the water table. Are there any contradictions here?

On page 40 of the main report it states: "The Allawuna development will not impact organic farms in the locality nor agricultural activities on adjacent land, etc."

Not a word of what the plan is, if this turns out to be wrong. The case in the High Court at the moment of an organic farmer suing his neighbour for contaminating his organic farm, should be a warning. Maybe the reason for a multi national waste disposal company not being in the least concerned if an individual sues them, is that it would be inconvenient but would amount to just another tax deduction in legal fees.

Emissions and discharges to land, air and water.

Leachate Spillage

One of the biggest potential polluting agents is the toxic leachate emitted from the landfill. The reasons why leachates are toxic is because there are no limitations on what can be buried. It is my opinion that in the 21st century, organic matter, electronic waste and items like fluorescent light globes/tubes should not be put in landfill sites. These items are responsible for the great majority of toxicity in the leachate. It goes without saying that all glass, plastic, drink containers, metals, e-waste etc should be taken out of the waste stream before taken to landfill. All organic matter should be reprocessed and used as fertiliser/soil improver. While the SITA documents talk about

recycling, there is no documentation or undertakings to show that any of the waste taken to Allawuna Farm will be subject to any form of recycling.

All landfill operations produce large quantities of toxic leachate. In the case of the Allawuna proposal, the leachate ponds are located uphill from the landfill site. This means all leachate needs to be pumped uphill to the ponds. In severe rain fall events, storm water and leachate will mix in the collecting area downhill from the landfill. Severe rain fall events like we witnessed on January 6th, 2013 when 40mm of rain fell in the area in a 30 minute period, will result in spillages. With the landfill in full operational mode of 500,000 sq metres, the area will produce 20,000 cubic metres (20 million litres) of water. If only a quarter of this accumulates at the bottom of the landfill (5 million litres), there is no known way in science or technology that any type of pump could handle these quantities. Spillages will happen.

Another area of leachate spillage is likely to come from liner failure. This can happen spontaneously but is more likely to happen as the result of operational mishaps or from earthquakes. There are many examples of this happening overseas. Earthquakes can rip the liners and even make the landfill cells slip down the hill. Rectifying these sorts of mishaps is difficult to achieve and will result in ground and surface water contamination.

What happens to these spillages? They will spread across the country side as the soil is a porous, gravelly type and it will absorb the contaminated water rapidly. The contaminated water that reaches the water table will, in all likelihood, find its way into the paleo channel system. The location of this system is largely unknown as SITA has not done any work to locate these channels. These paleochannels, both open and closed, are known to join the Helena River system which in turn, runs into the Mundaring water catchment area. Open channels show up in the landscape as soaks and there are several in the nearby area. To pollute these channels would be extremely unwise. The data from the new bores drilled, indicate the paleochannels might run directly into water catchment area. The water that reaches the 13 Mile Creek finds its way downstream and eventually joins the Avon River.

Drinking Water

If you buy a block away from the Town site and you want to build on it, you must prove to the Council that you can provide a viable source of potable water. Blocks away from the Town site do not have access to a reticulated water supply. Most people solve this by making sure that they have sufficient roof area to catch enough water to go around. There are a number of households living around the proposed landfill site.

SITA's documentation shows that during certain periods of the summer the leachate ponds will be dry. The water component of the leachate will evaporate, leaving behind a dry powder containing all manner of toxic substances. As the nearest residences are just over 1000 metres away, it is in the realm of possibilities that a well targeted willy-willy will pick up the dust and spread it all over the countryside. Toxic dust sprinkled over soils and animal feed nearby is one matter; to end up on roofs from which people collect drinking water is something else again. Sure, the chances are small of this happening, but if it does happen it would invalidate people's undertaking to the Shire that potable water is available.

Much the same possibilities of air pollution are created in the case that the landfill catches fire. Fires in landfill sites are known to burn for weeks on end as they are notoriously difficult to extinguish. The ash/smoke from these fires will pollute the surrounding countryside, including the roofs of nearby residences. If the Shire and DER supports the landfill approvals process, what liability would this expose them to? What about the "precautionary principle"? *"The Department*

can only consider potential impacts from emissions and discharges to land, air and water”.

Leachate dust, ash and smoke will fulfil all three criteria of air, land & water.

Earthquake

The reports completely ignore the latest information from Geoscience Australia identifying York as the most likely place in Western Australia for an earthquake to occur. The hotspot that caused the Meckering earthquake in 1968 has, in the last 35 years, moved west and is now located under the York Shire. (*Geoscience Australia* <http://www.news.com.au/national-news/australias-earthquake-hot-spots-revealed/story-fndo4eg9-1226519537825>)

If an earthquake of similar magnitude as Meckering took place in York, any landfill site that relies on a high density polyethylene liner to separate the leachate from the water table is bound to fail. A recent earthquake in the WA goldfields shows they can happen at any time and anywhere. To rely on desktop originated calculations to show that earthquake related damage can be controlled is unwise.

Future expansion

Another area that should be brought to your attention is the fact that the works approval application to DER and the Planning Approval to the Shire covers the whole Allawuna property. While SITA is telling us that the proposed landfill covers just a small portion of the property, all permits and approvals are for the total property. We suspect that the reason why the whole property is being included in the applications, is that it will leave the door open for further applications to expand operations and upgrade to the more toxic class 3 waste.

It is also an open secret that the Allawuna property holds large quantities of Kaolin clay. It beggars belief that SITA will not exploit this reserve should it suit their purpose and be the subject of further permit applications.

Odour

The DER report of Emergency Procedures shows some interesting observations. On page 28, dealing with Civil Disturbances, it finishes with “When referring media enquiries, no indication or acknowledgement as to the existence of a civil disturbance will be conveyed to the enquirer”. In short the company will tell a lie as a matter of policy. This is the same company who will self report any leachate spill at the landfill. *On page 40, the company admits that there is no reliable way to monitor odours. “However, it is usually not possible to obtain reliable measurements of odour concentrations in air in the vicinity of landfills, as: (1) the measurement technique is not suitable for low odour levels; and (2) it is difficult to obtain representative air samples because of constantly varying wind speed and direction”.* In other words, if the landfill stinks, nearby landholders are on their own as the company can do nothing. Does the precautionary principle apply here?

Water table

SITA documentation states that the landfill material will be 3 metres above the water table and that no de-watering will take place. During last winter the bore number 6 at the bottom of the landfill did overflow for weeks on end. How the landfill material will be kept 3 metres above the water level, without keeping the water pumped below this level, is a mystery, unless they intend to put four metres of fill in first. The drainage pond, as depicted on present drawings will be in the water table. None of this is addressed in the reports.

The need for this landfill has not been demonstrated.

The DER also advised the EPA that there are other landfills, existing and proposed, that could meet the needs of the metropolitan area for the next 10 to 15 years and the proposal could institute an oversupply of landfill space. (Report from Appeals Convenor to Minister)

Precautionary Principle

I am sure the DER is familiar with the concept of the "Precautionary Principle". It is an internally recognised principle with a working definition of: *"When human activities may lead to morally unacceptable harm that is scientifically plausible but uncertain, actions shall be taken to avoid or diminish that harm"*.

Morally unacceptable harm refers to harm to humans or the environment that is:

- Threatening to human life or health, or
- Seriously and effectively irreversible, or
- Inequitable to present and/or future generations, or
- Imposed without adequate consideration of the human rights of those affected.

The history of the landfill industry has shown us that they can not operate without a serious detrimental effect to our environment, so that part is not "uncertain". What is uncertain are the various assumptions contained in the reports, many based on misleading and incorrect information and wishful thinking on SITA's part.

Social & Ethical Implications

The reasons for all of us having to deal with these applications/submissions on landfills are because of a complete failure of State Government policy. While the population on the coastal plains has grown much faster than predictions, producing ever more rubbish to be disposed of, the Government has consistently failed to provide guidance to the waste disposal industry. Right now, the DER and the Waste Authority are undertaking a review of waste disposal in the Perth/Peel region. It intends to deal with the way the waste stream can be reduced through recycling & reprocessing; however ***it is not going to deal with the management of landfill sites or the location of them.*** At the moment this is left to the market place for waste disposal companies to find sites that are the most profitable for them. So while SITA is not the flavour of the month, the blame for this debacle also rests with our politicians. The York Shire Council might consider lobbying their elected state representatives to come up with a comprehensive policy on the location of future landfill sites. The York Shire Council is urged to change the York Town Plan to make "waste disposal and landfill sites" a prohibited use.

Common Law Issues

Based on the principles of 'common law' the residents of West York have 'the right to the enjoyment of their properties and their amenities.' These amenities include any changes in our air and water quality, noise, pollution and the altered value of our land. All these are in jeopardy because of this proposed landfill.

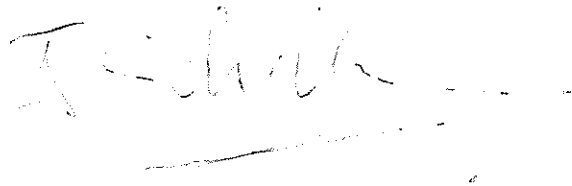
Indemnification

None of the reports touch upon the matter of indemnifying the community in the case of pollution, either of the ground water, drinking water, livestock or pasture. This western area of the wheat belt still maintains a high rainfall and very successful cropping regime. Grain crops are grown on Allawuna right at the site of the proposed development and completely surrounding it. Who monitors any contamination of these crops? If the SOY approves this development, are they the body responsible? Who pays for any clean up?

No mention is made in any of the proposal documents of the process of indemnifying the community against the cost of any major clean up. Historical data from other landfill disasters show the cost of clean ups to run into the tens of millions of dollars. Who pays? Our final concern is who indemnifies the community from any adverse outcome?

Because of the misleading and incomplete information and demonstrated threat to the environment the York Shire Council has no option, but to reject the application for Planning Approval.

CJ Keith Schekkerman

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11th March 2014

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OVER
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Dear Jacky,

I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm on the grounds that:

1. State Planning Policy 2.5 – Land use Planning in Rural Areas – as published in the Government gazette on 27th November 2013 – Part 4. Objectives of this Policy
 - a) To protect rural land from incompatible uses by –
 - i. Requiring comprehensive planning for rural areas
 - ii. **Make land use decisions for rural land that support existing and future primary production and protection of priority agricultural lands, particularly for the production of foods; and**
 - iii. **Providing investment security for the existing and future primary production sector**
 - b) To promote regional development through provision of ongoing economic opportunities on rural land
 - c) To promote sustainable settlement in, and adjacent to, existing urban areas
 - d) To protect and improve environmental and landscape assets
 - e) To minimise use conflicts
2. This proposal is not consistent with the local planning strategy which includes “**protection of sustainably agriculture and; preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources.**”
3. The proposal is not consistent with the objectives of Yorks Community Strategic Plan which includes an objective of “**Protect and Enhance Our rural Land and Spaces**” and a priority under this objective is “**Establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected**”
4. This proposal is not consistent with the Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No 2 - Section 4.15 General Agriculture Zone objective including **to ensure the continuation of broad-hectare agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities.**

Yours sincerely



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Mrs Jacky Jurman and Councillors
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Dear Jacky,

As a resident of York I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm as it does not fit with Yorks Community Strategic Plan in particular the objective of protect and enhance our rural land and spaces and ensure rural and farming land is protected.

Also under York's local planning strategy is states; "protection of sustainable agriculture and preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources". I do not believe that the landfill will enhance the environment in particular the area in which this is proposed, next to a water catchment area.

I object to the extra large trucks that will be driving along the Lakes Road which is already a dangerous and very narrow road.

I object as I do not believe it will be of any benefit to the community of York as SITA is a Perth based business that will not take local rubbish and is coming from Perth in trucks from Perth with rubbish from Perth.

Please do not allow this to happen in our historic town.

Yours sincerely



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To The York Shire and Councilors,

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I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm and feel that the proposal should not be permitted. It does not fit within the Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No.2, which states under the general agriculture zone "to ensure the continuation of broad acre agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities." Landfill is not an agricultural activity.

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The landfill will not benefit York in anyway and I ask that the proposal not be accepted.

Yours sincerely

NAME: DENISE DAVIES

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MY CONCERNS ARE:

1. GROUND & WATER POLLUTION (Mundaring catchment)
2. TRAFFIC (Narrow road)
3. WILDLIFE (will encourage ferals)
4. AIR POLLUTION (Toxic smells)
5. I CAN SEE NO WAY THAT IT WILL CREATE JOBS FOR YORK (SITA will have their staff already in place)

IT IS AN UNEQUIVOCAL DEFINITE NO FOR ME.

Yours sincerely

NAME: Antonia

ADDRESS: ~~Centennial~~ Dve York.

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The Chief Executive Officer
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Dear Sir,

Submission – Proposed Landfill Operation at Allawuna Farm Pt Lot 4869 (2948) Great Southern Highway, Saint Ronans – Objection

Whelans are the town planners for the Daliak Local Structure Plan on the western edge of the York townsite. The local structure plan is at the last stages of finalisation, undertaking modifications requested by the Shire of York and Department of Planning. We provide the following comments as part of an objection to the proposal for a regional landfill site on Allawuna Farm.

It is difficult to establish a clear, statutory town planning characterisation for the proposal. A clear direction for approval of the application is not apparent as it is not consistent with the prevailing planning instruments yet it has regional and local implications. Consequently, we urge a precautionary approach in the decision-making for the application before the Shire of York and Joint Development Advisory Panel.

The application for the planning approval for the landfill site is not a standard application and requires careful consideration. The applicant's report makes it clear this is a regional use and therefore the interests cover a much wider audience. We make this point strongly as wider geographical affects have not been considered in the proposal.

Daliak Local Structure Plan

The location of the draft structure plan is immediately west of York fronting the Great Southern Highway and Morris Edwards Drive. Please refer to the attached plans.

The structure plan when complete will yield 1800 residential lots as well as a retirement village.

Serious concerns are raised as to the additional impact the heavy haulage traffic (road trains) resulting from approval of the Allawuna Farm application will have on the Great Southern Highway. The proposal will bring about a major sudden increase in heavy haulage vehicles on the major part of the Great Southern Highway between The Lakes turn-off and York.

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We bring to your attention matters that will further impact the additional traffic on the Great Southern Highway:

1. under consideration is further heavy haulage by Cooperative Bulk Handling on Great Southern Highway. This is a matter for consideration in the planning for the structure plan as part of the planning is for a loop around Blandstown to the east of York. This is dependent upon the outcome of the assessment of the retention of the Tier 3 rail network and funding,
2. the additional residential traffic onto the Great Southern Highway as a result of the structure plan when complete is estimated at 1500 vpd whereupon a proportion will travel to Perth and Midland via the highway.

The state of the road surface for the highway is obviously already affected by heavy haulage vehicles, apparent up to the BGC quarry operations from The Lakes. The highway section from the Lakes to Allawuna Farm is a more dangerous section. The highway is narrower, with more bends and undulations. The proponent acknowledges a 'risk of fatality' increase.

Town Planning Context

Draft State Planning Strategy, 2012 and Avon Arc Sub-Regional Strategy, 2001

Reference is made by the proponent to both documents as supporting the proposal. However, we point out that both documents call for the need for "integrated planning" for the waste management and landfill sites. The proposal before us is deficient in this regard.

Local Planning Strategy

Attached are copies from the strategy of the vision, objectives, strategies and actions. Highlighted are several points that indicate more planning for traffic on Great Southern Highway is required.

Town Planning Scheme No 2

The Shire of York town planning scheme is also in need of review and therefore makes no reference to waste management or landfill uses. Instead the uses being considered are 'Use Not Listed' and 'Noxious Industry'. The preferred use by the Shire is the former but surely the fact that the landfill site will have odour and subterranean impacts must make the latter use also for serious consideration and an appropriate town planning characterisation.

In addition it can be argued the proposal is not in accordance with the objectives of the General Agricultural zone, in which the subject land is classified in the scheme:

Clause 4.15.1 Objectives:

- (a) To ensure the continuation of broad-hectare agriculture as the principal land use in the district encouraging where appropriate the retention and expansion of agricultural activities.*
- (b) To consider non-rural uses where they can be shown to be of benefit to the district and not detrimental to the natural resources or the environment.*
- (c) To allow for facilities for tourists and travellers, and for recreation uses.*
- (d) To have regard to residential use of adjoining land at the interface of the General Agriculture zone with other zones to avoid adverse effects on local amenities.*

Conclusion

We recognise that landfill for the metropolitan region is a difficult matter to solve and that contemporary town planning practise is to have uses for waste management and landfill embedded in the uses of the town planning schemes. It appears the fact that these uses are not clear in the Shire of York town planning scheme is a foundation reason for choosing this site at Allawuna Farm.

Several town planning matters are summarised:

- The application cannot be definitely claimed as consistent with the objectives of the Shire of York Town Planning Scheme No 2, in particular the objectives of the General Agriculture zone,
- Similarly, the vision, objectives, strategies and actions in the Shire's Local Planning Strategy, which while the town planning scheme can be considered in need of review, the local planning strategy was adopted in 2007,
- Both town planning instruments are approved and adopted by the Western Australian Planning Commission,
- We raise concerns this application should be considered as 'Noxious Industry' rather than a 'Use Not Listed',
- That the Daliak Local Structure Plan is the final stages of adoption and will both introduce additional traffic to the Great Southern Highway with commuters travelling from York to Perth and vice versa, including buses to accommodate the retirement village. The affect of the additional traffic from the landfill site will amount to a 1 to 2 year increase in a short space of time of road trains on the road, when the road is already difficult in terms of safety to travel upon. Whereas, safe and efficient access is important for residential and tourism attraction for York,
- The circumstances on the Great Southern Highway may soon change to introduce more heavy haulage for grain haulage by CBH, and
- An integrated plan is required for the region to accommodate waste management and landfill sites.

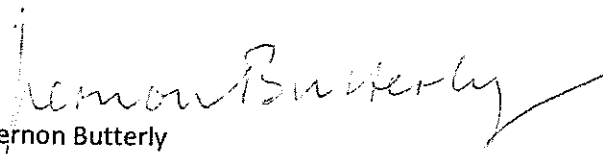
All of the foregoing gives cause for concern for the safety of people travelling on the Great Southern Highway between The Lakes and York. And that regional planning is required to take account of external factors such as the Daliak Structure plan and regional needs - prior to approval of this site for a landfill site.

This proposal is not consistent with proper and orderly planning – particularly regional. It is definitely not "integrated planning". Indeed, it is ad hoc.

Having considered these influencing factors we hereby object to the proposal for the landfill site on Alluwana Farm.

Thank you for the opportunity to make this submission.

Yours faithfully



Vernon Butterly
Town Planner
Whelans Town Planning

Attachments:

- ✓ Local Planning strategy excerpts
- ✓ Daliak Local Structure Plan locality plan
- ✓ Daliak – residential code plan

Local Planning Strategy

1.0 VISION

The vision that the Shire of York aspires to be in 2021 is:

The Shire of York will be a sustainable community that continues to value, preserve and enhance its heritage, rural character, country lifestyle and its beautiful natural environment. Local business, including rural production, will progress and develop, tourism will expand and the equine precinct will be completed. A variety of employment opportunities will be available to the local community and together with the Shire's uniqueness, is continuing to attract people from outside the district.

The York townsite is an important regional hub of the southeast Avon region and will continue to grow based on sustainability principles. Housing will be affordable, new development well planned and infrastructure, such as sewerage, drainage, roads, walk and cycle ways, will be well established, with minimal impact on the environment. Significantly, sewerage and drainage will no longer be a development constraint. A location will be found outside the town for industrial activity that supports the local community, and a new transport route, identified in consultation with the community, will be established to divert heavy haulage traffic away from the townsite. The railway line will have also been upgraded to further reduce the dependency of using heavy haulage road traffic.

The York town centre will be vibrant and popular with locals and visitors alike. Its heritage values are protected and enhanced and are complimented by new development to create a cohesive streetscape. Businesses will be appropriately located and successful, car parking will no longer be a problem and the Avon River will once again become an important focal point for the community.

This vision provides the context for the implementation of the strategy's objectives, strategies and actions as they apply to the:

- Shire of York;
- York Town Centre;
- York Townsite; and
- Rural Land use and Settlement.

2.0 OBJECTIVES, STRATEGIES AND ACTIONS

2.1 SHIRE OF YORK

General Objectives:

Economic

1. Encourage the development and diversification of businesses that will strengthen and broaden the economic base of the Shire and provide employment opportunities for the community.
2. Encourage tourism that is complimentary to the character of the shire and is compatible with the lifestyle and aspirations of the community.
3. Protect broad acre agricultural areas from inappropriate development and intrusion by urban and semi-rural uses.

Environmental

4. Protect and enhance the Shire's key environmental values that support the continuation of biodiversity, the lifestyle of the community and the viability of ecosystem dependent businesses.
5. Promote natural resource management as a cooperative mechanism to protect and enhance the Shire's key environment values.

Sustainable Settlements

6. Ensure that the York townsite is the major settlement within the Shire, is sustainable and well planned with sufficient and suitable land to provide for a wide variety of housing, employment, recreation facilities and open space and has a transport network that is efficient and safe.
7. Manage growth and development of other existing settlements in response to the social and economic needs of the community and in recognition of relevant environmental values and constraints.

Servicing and Infrastructure

8. Coordinate new development with the efficient, economic and timely provision of infrastructure and services.
9. Encourage the development of a transport network that provides efficient and effective access to the Perth Metropolitan and Wheatbelt regions and within the Shire.

Heritage and Cultural

10. Protect and promote objects and places of outstanding natural, historical, architectural, scientific, indigenous and cultural significance, in consultation with the local community, the State and Federal governments.
11. Ensure that York's status as one of the designated historic towns is sustained and its heritage values recognised by the wider community.

General Strategies:

- a. The Shire, and its Council, will seek sustainable development by endeavouring to meet the needs of current and future generations through integrating environmental protection, social advancement and economic prosperity considerations into its decision-making. The general objectives of this Strategy, therefore, provide the context in which all decisions will be guided by in order to achieve outcomes that are sustainable.
- b. Protect and preserve the significant heritage, indigenous and cultural values of the Shire and promote new development that respects, integrates and enhances these values.
- c. Protect viable agricultural activity and promote diversification.
- d. Establish a transport network that is efficient and safe for rail, vehicle, cycle and pedestrian traffic.
- e. Promote opportunities for viable tourism throughout the Shire, which is compatible with and complements the Shire's environment and lifestyle.

- f. Use natural resource management as a tool to:
 - i. assist in the protection and enhancement of the natural environment of the Shire;
 - ii. guide the Shire and assist Council in making decisions that contribute to sustainable outcomes; and
 - iii. encourage community participation and interaction.
- g. Encourage community organisations that promote natural resource management such as catchment groups and land management associations.
- h. Support subdivision for conservation purposes where it can be demonstrated that:
 - i. subdivision will be of benefit to the environment;
 - ii. the area for conservation can be protected and managed by appropriate scheme provisions and covenants;
 - iii. the new lot/s created can be adequately serviced;
 - iv. the new lot/s will not adversely impact upon the prevailing settlement pattern of the Shire and the viability of services provided by the Shire; and
 - v. it is consistent with any relevant policy of the Western Australian Planning Commission including State Planning Policy 2.5 Agricultural and Rural Land Use Planning (refer Section 8 References).
- i. Support basic raw material operations that have a minimal impact on the environment and the community and are of value to the local, regional and State basic raw material needs.
- j. Based on available information, existing and proposed developments that require a buffer will be identified on the relevant strategy maps (refer action 53) and until such time this occurs, buffer requirements will be guided by State and regional policy, including that which is set by the Environmental Protection Authority, Western Australian Planning Commission and the Department of Industry and Resources. The Shire, will therefore, not generally support proposed development that will:
 - i. result in a incompatible land use being located within a buffer such as residential or rural residential; and
 - ii. create a land use conflict as the result of a proposed development that will require a buffer or the proposed expansion of an existing development that results in a buffer that needs to be increased, that encroaches on incompatible land uses such as residential or rural residential.

In assessing development proposals that require or are impacted on by a buffer requirement, the following will apply:

 - i. existing development, the buffer will be in accordance with recommended distances as stipulated by State and regional policy unless a buffer study has been prepared and endorsed by the relevant State Government authority to adopt a modified boundary; and
 - ii. proposed expansion of an existing or new development, a buffer study will need to be submitted and will require referral to the Environmental Protection Authority if it is likely to have an impact on surrounding land uses.
- k. Where reference is made within this strategy that an Outline Development Plan (ODP) is required to be prepared, the ODP, after being approved by the Shire, is to be sent to the Western Australian Planning Commission (WAPC) for final approval. The Shire will not support any subdivision or development application, where an ODP is required, until the ODP has been approved by the WAPC.
- l. Any land that is outside any area identified in the Strategy for a particular purpose means that no changes are envisaged from what is identified in the planning scheme.

Actions

- 1. Prepare a Local Planning Strategy action matrix that prioritises, designates responsibility, monitors and provides timeframes for the completion of all the actions within this strategy. The matrix should be reviewed annually to coincide with the Shire's budget and annual report preparations.

2. Prepare a transport study for the Shire that:
 - a. assesses the present and planned freight network;
 - b. identifies any deficiencies or issues;
 - c. identifies improvements to the transport network that will provide an acceptable level of safety, residential amenity and freight efficiency; and
 - d. consults with the Department for Planning and Infrastructure to encourage the use of rail as a viable mechanism to transport goods and to minimise the impact of heavy haulage traffic in the Shire.
3. The Shire to liaise with the State Government and Main Roads WA for the upgrading of inter-regional road routes.
4. Prepare a tourism strategy for the Shire based on relevant statistical data and future growth opportunities.
5. Prepare a local planning policy to support subdivision for conservation purposes.
6. In consultation with the Avon and Swan Catchment Councils, review the applicable Natural Resource Management Strategies to determine the relevance and likely assistance it will provide the Shire.
7. Actively encourage and seek funding for natural resource management activities from the Avon and Swan Catchment Councils.
8. Actively encourage and seek funding for land care management programs to operate within the rural areas of the Shire.
9. Prepare a State of the Environment Report, to be reviewed every 5 years, in consultation with the local community. Apply for external funding to assist in its preparation.
10. Identify and map the current and proposed basic raw material extraction operations in the Shire and the location of high quality, high volume basic raw material resources elsewhere in the Shire.
11. Prepare a local planning policy on basic raw materials that addresses issues such as buffer requirements, traffic impacts, management plan requirements and community consultation.
12. Review the scheme, municipal heritage inventory and if necessary, prepare a local planning policy, to ensure that the significant heritage, indigenous and cultural values of the Shire are identified and protected and where relevant, provide incentive to enhance and integrate these values with new development.
13. Update the background information for this Strategy, such as the Shire Profile, on an as need basis.
14. Investigate the possibility of using the Shire of York Local Planning Strategy to meet the Future Plan requirements of the Local Government Act 1995.
15. To use the local planning strategy as the basis to seek funding from external sources to support the Shire's operations given that it has been through an accredited process and approved by the State Government through the Western Australian Planning Commission.
16. The Shire will consult with the Western Australian Local Government Association (WALGA) to request the NRM Regions to give consideration to providing resources to prepare a local biodiversity strategy consistent with WALGA's Local Government Biodiversity Planning Guidelines, to facilitate the protection and management of natural areas. The request should give consideration to pursuing a regional approach to the preparation of a local biodiversity strategy given the large scale clearing of native vegetation that has occurred in the past.

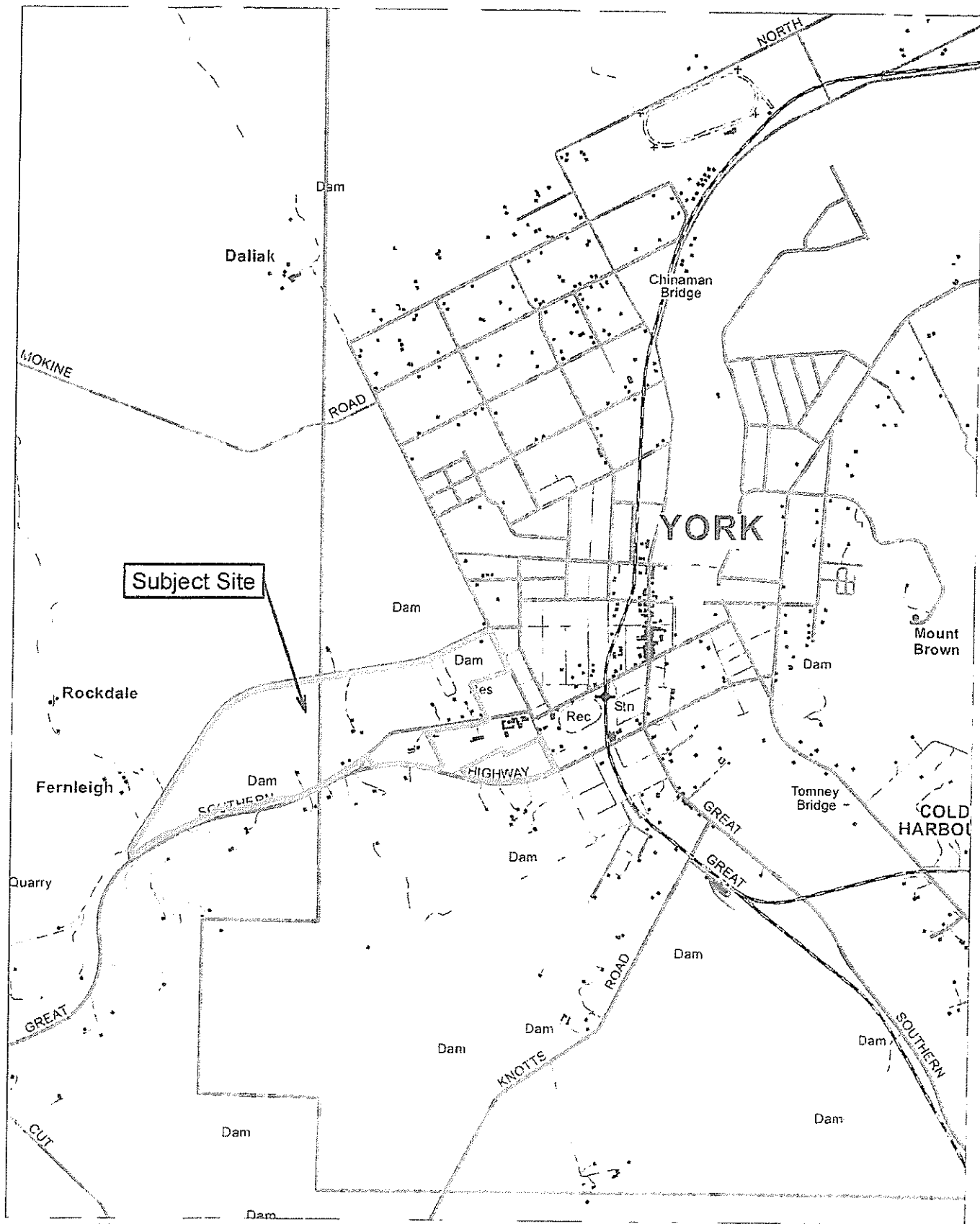


FIGURE 1
LOCATION PLAN
DALIAK REVISED OVERALL DEVELOPMENT PLAN

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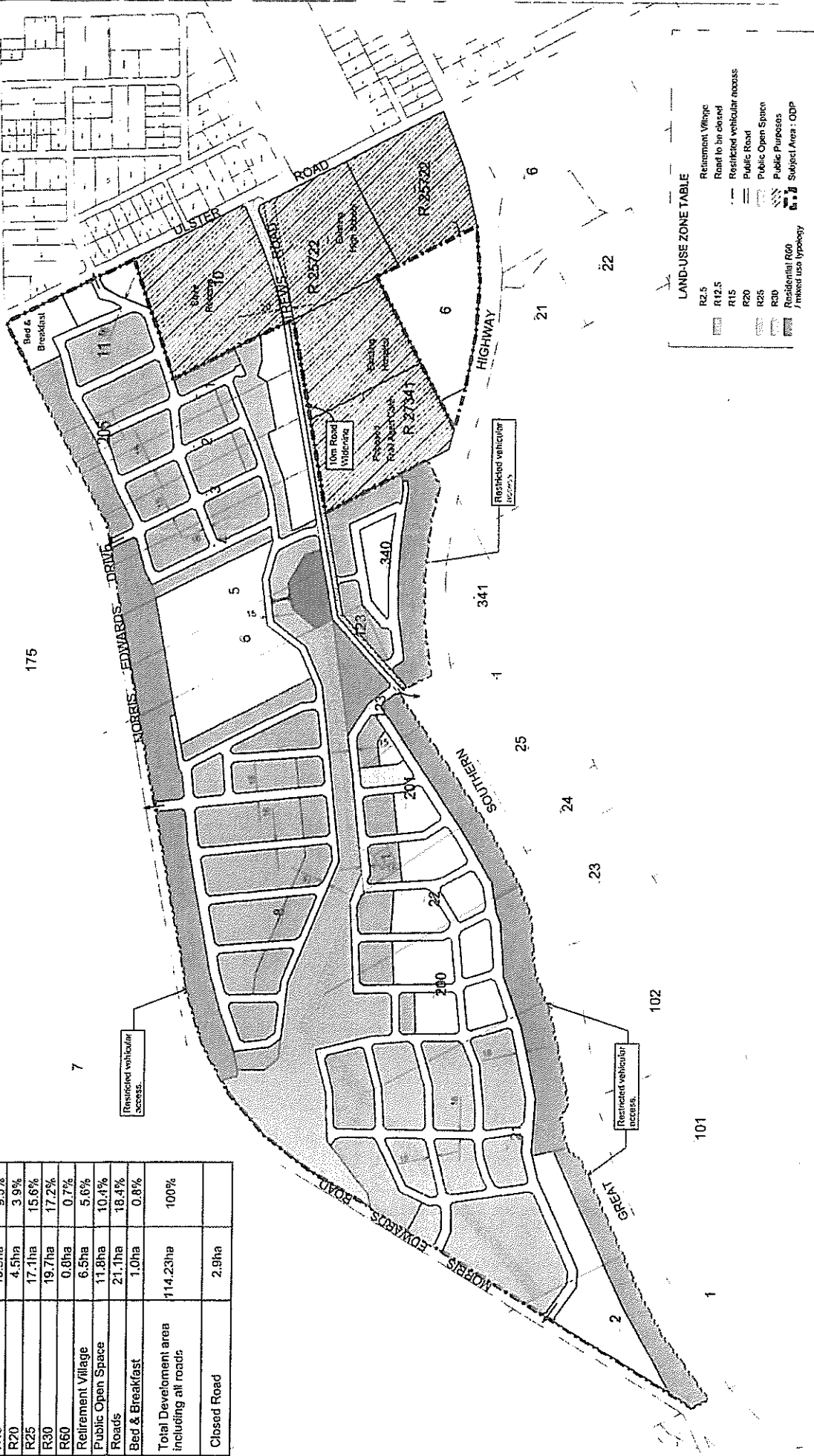
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LAND USE SCHEDULE		
Lot/Zoning	Area	%
R2.5	1.9ha	1.7%
R12.5	18.1ha	15.9%
R15	10.9ha	9.5%
R20	4.5ha	3.9%
R25	17.1ha	15.6%
R30	19.7ha	17.2%
R60	0.8ha	0.7%
Retirement Village	6.5ha	5.6%
Public Open Space	11.8ha	10.4%
Roads	21.1ha	18.4%
Bed & Breakfast	1.0ha	0.8%
Total Development area including all roads	114.23ha	100%
Closed Road	2.9ha	



SHIRE OF YORK
All dimensions and areas are subject to survey

DALIAK - RESIDENTIAL CODE PLAN (PLAN 2)
MORRIS EDWARDS DRIVE AND
GREAT SOUTHERN HIGHWAY
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The landfill will not benefit York in anyway and I ask that the proposal not be accepted.

*The roads will be clogged by traffic + it is not capable of the amount of traffic, trucks will be a problem if the rail closes.
Water will be contaminated by toxins & leachate + the environment - flora & fauna will die.
We rely on catchment water + it says to not contaminate.
Tourism - York will become a ghost town.*

Yours sincerely

NAME:

Doss & HELEN HEINRICH

ADDRESS:

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Due to nothing happening
with road structures
& not being as benefit
to York.

Yours sincerely

NAME: Bill Parker

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I am concerned about Great Southern Highway and how bad it is already before all the rubbish is transported on it.

Yours sincerely

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13th March 2014

Mrs Jacky Jurman and Councillors
Shire of York
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Dear Jacky,

As a resident of York I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm as it does not fit with Yorks Community Strategic Plan in particular the objective of protect and enhance our rural land and spaces and ensure rural and farming land is protected.

Also under York's local planning strategy is states; "protection of sustainable agriculture and preserve and enhance the environment and natural resources". I do not believe that the landfill will enhance the environment in particular the area in which this is proposed, next to a water catchment area.

I object to the extra large trucks that will be driving along the Lakes Road which is already a dangerous and very narrow road.

I object as I do not believe it will be of any benefit to the community of York as SITA is a Perth based business that will not take local rubbish and is coming from Perth in trucks from Perth with rubbish from Perth.

Please do not allow this to happen in our historic town.

Yours sincerely



I agree
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Peta Ratcliffe
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Jacky Jurman and Councillors
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Dear Jacky,

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Yours sincerely



PETA RATCLIFFE

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C. Jurman