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TO: SHIRE OF YORK,
P.O. Box 22,
YORK, W.A., 6302.

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DATE.....9-5-2015

Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

NAME: ROD I DORIS REITANACK
ADDRESS:.....
YORK

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R. I. Doris

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DATE: 8/5/15

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NAME: IAN CAMPBELL
ADDRESS: [Redacted] YORK

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NAME: ALAN & FIONA RETALLACK

ADDRESS: YORK

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Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

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NAME: Roya & Vince Mobilia

ADDRESS: YORKINE W.A. 6060

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DATE..... 9/5/15.....

NAME:..... Shona Earnest EARNEST

ADDRESS:.....
Northam.....

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Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

DATE 9/5/2015

NAME: Earl + Joy Sargent

ADDRESS: COLD HARBOUR 6302.

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Yours sincerely,

SIGNATURE Joy E Sargent, 9 Oct

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To Shire of York,
YORK, W.A. 6302.

25 May, 2015.

J.S. McColl,

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Dear Sir,

Re: SITA Allawuna Farm Landfill (RUBBISH DUMP) Great Southern Highway, St. Ronans, York, W.A.
For the Proposed Landfill Class 1,2,3.

In the State Administrative Tribunal summary of reasons for the decision on the 10th April 2015, to approve the amendment Senior Member Peter McNab states ".....And, of course the proposed use (Sita Allawuna Farm Landfill) does not change" and also: "the conclusion is that the essence of the proposal remains unchanged". For these reasons I consider that nothing has substantially changed. Therefore I am resubmitting my reasons for objecting to this proposal.

This proposal: Is against the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme.

Is not acceptable with Shire of York's Local Planning Strategy.

Is against the Avon Arc Document.

The proposal is to be placed in a broad-acre farm, which produces food for human consumption.

The proposal is for huge gravel pits, not permitted on other farms or adjacent areas.

The proposal has been reduced, but will have enormous gravel pits dug. It is still to be a Rubbish dump. Sita did not guarantee that they will not put through further proposals to increase the size of this dump. It will end up to being enormous, with proposed sewage and fly-ash dumps at the other end of the farm.

The farm is adjacent to Mundaring Weir Fresh Water Catchment area, Mt. Observation Nature Reserve, Wandoo National Park and Tadpole Rock Family Reserve.

The proposal is adjacent to pockets of natural bush stands, adjacent to thousands of acres of uncleared national Parks and private uncleared bush.

The farm is within 1 klm. of Wambyn Reserve, with 2klms. of St. Ronans Reserve.

The farm borders Catchment Road, which is the Mundaring Catchment Drinking Water Catchment Protection Area.

The proposal is sitting atop a Palaeolithic ancient water channel.

The proposal is adjacent to 13 Mile Brook, the Avon Swan Fresh Water Catchment Area.

The proposal is to sited on a steep slope, on the side of a hill, to be able to be viewed from all sides and roads.

The proposal is for Perth's Metropolitan hundreds of tons of putrescibles rubbish.

This proposal will contaminate the farmland, water, air forever. Rubbish tips, even lined ones, all leak noxious poisons into the waterways. The area will always be a contaminated site.

The York shire is only a small country Shire, but will have to manage and maintain this rubbish Tip forever, costing the Ratepayers extra dollars.

The access road, The Great Southern Highway or rightly The York-Chidlow Road, is only a narrow, single lane, country highway, not up to the standard to carry the enormous heavy roadtrains.

Sita put out maps, but do not include the existing adjacent farms and landforms. This proposal has to include all the surrounding countryside.

The surrounding farmland and bush contain tens of species of birds, animals, rare and endangered plants, aged trees etc. York and areas are an historical area; the first inland town for W.A. A tourist town, attracting visitors from all of Australia and the world.

This proposal has devalued our farm to half or more the value per acre.

This proposal is for a Rubbish Dump. Rubbish Dumps are obsolete. There are far better options for people's rubbish, including re-use, re-cycle and reduce.

I am against this proposal. This proposal will not be of any benefit to York. Tell SITA to go somewhere else.

Yours Sincerely,


Jenine McColl.

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Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

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ADDRESS: YORK 6302

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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

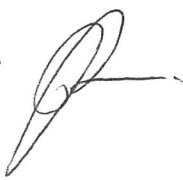
Great Southern Highway, St Ronans, Shire of York,

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 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



RE- Sita Landfill In the State Administrative Tribunal's summary of reasons for the decision on the 10th April to approve the amendment, Senior Member Peter McNab states: "And, of course the proposed use does not change,' and also "the conclusion is that the essence of the proposal remains unchanged.'

For these reasons we consider that nothing has substantially changed that would require us to amend our original submission against the proposal. We believe that our original submission is still valid and to this end we are re- submitting our original documents along with this statement, signed and dated to reflect our objection to the amended proposal.

LES BURROW



21/5/2015

JAN DARR



21/5/2015

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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, there by 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.

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 Gidgegannup. 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



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SUBMISSION AGAINST THE SITA PROPOSAL FOR A CLASS 2/3 LANDFILL ON ALLAWUNA FARM

To: **THE SHIRE of YORK**

Date: 17-05-2015

Proposal Details:

SITA Allawuna Class 111 Landfill on Lots 9926,4869,5831 and 26934 Great Southern Hwy, York 6302

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Name: Kimberley Hack and Penelope Mossop

Address _____

Introduction:

We are submitting our original submission with extra comments relating to the new proposal. These can be found at the end of the submission.

The original proposal from SITA has been amended, however according to the summary of reasons for the decision on the 10th of April to approve the amendment, Senior Member McNab stated: "And of course the proposed use does not change." and also "the conclusion is that the essence of the proposed use remains unchanged." For this reason our submission remains substantially the same.

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.

Extra comments:

- Any limitation on dump size and content can easily be swept aside by future development amendments. This would surely render such modifications in SITA's new proposal as irrelevant. There is going to have to be significant increased usage over the next 10 years.


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 sub divisions, 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.

Do we live in a democracy? The people who will be affected by the dump don't want it - and they have transparently voted to that effect.

Signed: 
P J Messop.

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25 MAY, 2015

Ian McColl,

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Dear Sir

Re: Proposal by SITA, Allawuna Farm Landfill (RUBBISH DUMP) - on Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 , Great Southern Highway, St. Ronans, York, W.A.

For the purpose of LANDFILL CLASS 1, 2, 3, RUBBISH DUMP.

In the State Administrative Tribunal summary of reasons for the decision on the 10th April to approve the amendment, Senior Member Peter McNab states.....*"And, of course the proposed use (Sita Allawuna Farm Landfill) does not change"* and also: *"the conclusion is that the essence of the proposal remains unchanged"*. For these reasons I consider that nothing has substantially changed. Therefore I am resubmitting my reasons for objecting to this proposal.

SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL APPLICATION - is against the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

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."* The proposal does not meet the objectives of York's Strategic Plan. Which states *"...protect and enhance our rural land and spaces"* and has a priority to *"Establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected."* Landfill in our agricultural areas is also against the Avon Arc Document. Landfill does not enhance nor preserve our farmland, and should not be placed in our agricultural areas, especially near important water sources. This proposal will not benefit York in any way, but has the potential to destroy our agriculture industry, our tourism and hospitality industries, and valuable employment that these industries bring to York.

WASTE – Defined as anything discarded by an individual or organisation, resulting in a complex mixture of different substances, most of which are hazardous to the environment, air and water, resulting dangers to human and animal health.

LANDFILL - Disposal of hazardous and other wastes, tipped into a hole in the ground, maybe buried between layers of dirt, often lined with layers of absorbent material and sheets of plastic, the resulting consequences can be an explosive methane build-up and contaminated water sources. DER Guidelines are to effectually preclude Landfills on the Swan Coastal Plain. WALGA. No new Landfill sites are to be established on the coastal sand plains because of their potential to pollute groundwater, and to ensure that unlined Landfill sites on the Swan Coastal Plain are to be phased out and no new Landfill sites are located up-gradient of any environmentally sensitive groundwater or surface water body. That means *"do not put this proposition on Allawuna Farm as it will be sitting on top of a very significant water channel."*

NEAREST NEIGHBOUR – Sita state *"... Sita remains fully committed to an open an inclusive consultation and reporting process throughout the construction and operation of Allawuna..."* We are the nearest neighbour. Our broadacre farm is just 600 metres from this abhorrent proposal. We are 4th generation York farmers, having established this farm in 1926. We work and live on this farm, 24 hours a day, 7 days per week. Our residence is just 1 klm. away from the tip site, but our whole farm, our working and living area, borders Allawuna Farm. We run over 2500 merino sheep, for local and export markets, fat lambs and sheep, plus the fine merino wool market. We also have a Free Range Egg Business (in limbo due to this horrendous proposal on our doorstep), grow crops of barley and oats, for human consumption. We also grow vegetables, fruit trees, have a small olive plantation, for oil and pickling, and have a lovely garden, necessary in this area, all watered by our fresh water dams, and our bore, which is directly north of the proposal. The dust and noxious particles emitted by composting rubbish will settle on our roofs and dams, on the crops and garden, and animals, thus putting the

bio-security, our lives and lives of our stock at risk. We have recently received the top selling price of our fine merino wool clip, and our fat weathers got the top price at the Mueha Sheep Market recently, therefore our merino weathers are amongst the best weathers in the state. This is prime agricultural land, not salt affected, with decent and reliable rainfall, able to produce good yielding crops and produce good stock. Good farm land is a precious commodity and should be protected, should not be exploited and sold off to greedy Multi-National Companies for a noxious industry. We were not notified of this proposal. It was kept hidden and we were told untruths as to what was happening. There has never been an open and honest consultation.

WASTE AUTHORITY – Waste Authority of W.A.Too good to Waste. We say “Grow Grain Not Waste” and “York, Too good To Waste”. This Authority collects a Waste Levy, (a Landfill levy) to reduce waste to a Landfill by increasing the price of Landfill, and to generate funds for a range of environmental purposes. There should be more funds put into Recycling and Reuse of products. Western Australia has a reluctance to recycle. It is too easy to just put rubbish into a hole and forget about it. Most of the Perth population do not concern themselves as to where their rubbish ends up. They would be very surprised if they know of the details as to the placement of a huge rubbish dump near their drinking water source.

WASTES – RUBBISH - Sita state *“...only Class 2 Waste accepted, being principally household solid waste, commercial, retail and industrial waste, and construction waste. No hazardous, liquid, noxious or radioactive waste, or toxic chemicals will be accepted. The exclusion of the general public will ensure that waste types accepted will be strictly controlled.”* Sita cannot make their mind up as to what Class Rubbish Tip this will be, as it will be easier to get a Class 2 Licence, then change it to a Class 3. Previous documents from Sita state that a Class 3 Tip has been applied for. Allawuna FARM Landfill will accept asbestos – a hazardous waste; tyres will be accepted – a hazardous waste; Paints, paint thinners, aerosols, glues, plastics, metals, glass, concrete, brick rubble, tars, oils, papers, cardboard, fibreboard, laminates, etc. from building and construction sites, is piled into skip bins at the sites, destined for Landfill. Nearly all these should be recycled. Smoke detectors and medical wastes contain small amounts of radioactive components. The green household wheelie bins could contain anything, from food scraps, used nappies, clothes, light globes, batteries, etc. It is increasingly a ‘throw-away society’. Restaurants throw away huge amounts of food stuff, supermarkets throw away huge amounts of foodstuffs and packaging, etc. Recycling should be our future. I am led to believe that at the Cardup Landfill site, rubbish roadtrains have arrived on site with suspicious loads, and was just tipped into the main tipping area. This suspicious load was not checked properly even though concerns were made. It should have been buried in a separate area and monitored. Sita cannot state *“no hazardous, liquid, noxious or radioactive waste accepted.”*

CLINICAL WASTE – Western Australia is experiencing rapid population growth. There are several new hospitals coming on stream, namely the Fiona Stanley Hospital and the new Midland Hospital. Most of this waste from these and all other metropolitan hospitals will end up in this landfill. Other areas include vet clinics, home beauty businesses, nail and facial treatment saloons, tattoos parlours, hairdressing saloons, home health nursing, aged care, child care centres, dental surgery, pharmaceutical chemists, doctors surgeries, etc. The sharps, etc and surgery bandages will end up being incinerated, but unregulated and smaller business will just dump their contaminated goods into the wheelie or skip bins, the contents unknown. The many country hospitals, chemist shops, vet clinics, aged care homes, etc. will have their contaminated used medical waste go straight into landfill or rubbish dumps. Such things as used and old prescription drugs, bloody bandages, soiled nappies, finger nail clippings, etc. will all go to contaminate the environment, as rubbish tips and “state of the art” landfills leak, causing malformations of the water borne fish and insects that come into contact with the pollution discharge from the landfill site. This site is to be placed above a huge Palaeolithic water channel, with the surface water flowing down to the Avon/Swan catchment Rivers, and the underground water flowing through to the Mundaring Weir Water Catchment Dam. This tip proposal is likely to contaminate and pollute these waterways, and when a toxic mixture of chemicals and asbestos is buried here and the residue leaks into the surrounding waterways, the result will be infinite contamination, birth defects, in both humans and animals.

HOURS OF BUSINESS - To the Shire of York Submission, Sita state *“...the landfill will operate from 6am to 5pm Monday to Friday and 6am to 4pm Saturdays”*. In the DER Submission, Sita State *“....the normal working hours and working days shall be no earlier than 0730 hours and no later than 1630 hours Monday to Saturday, excluding public holidays....”* These are from Sita’s own documents. Which do you believe?

BIO-SECURITY THREAT – We do not use harsh chemicals on our property. The Bio-Security of our business is at risk. The gas and dust emitted from this proposal will settle on our paddocks, on the stock water source, fresh water dams, and our crops and animals. Our wool clip will be tested for chemical residue. The effect of a Metropolitan Rubbish Dump in the next paddock to us will have a negative impact of our chemical-free and clean markets. When the wind blows their rubbish

and plastics over the fence to our paddocks, they say they will come in and get the rubbish. They are not to set foot in our paddocks or property, as their boots and clothing will bring in contaminants from their rubbish thus being a threat to Farm Bio-Security.

ACTUAL SECURITY – We are consistently having sheep and other produce stolen. Having clean-up teams on our property allows another source of potential loss as more people will have knowledge of shed and gate layout on the farm. I cannot imagine SITA will insist on Police Clearance for casual labour employed to pick up plastics and papers blown off the tip site, as they will be casual labour. Our sheds contain machinery, lots of implements and farm equipment that are worth a lot of money

LIFE EXPECTANCY – Sita state *“...this landfill will have a life expectancy of 37 years...”* and now *“.....this landfill will have a life expectancy of 20 years...”*. This will be a contaminated site FOREVER. Sita will not guarantee they will not expand the landfill in the future, both in site, size and length of years it will operate.

LINER - Sita state *“...The HDPE liner...is expected to have a life of 100 years.”* This is not a proven fact as these liners have not been around for more than a few years. These liners can break down in as little time as 10 years, especially at 60 oC summer temperatures, as the Tip site will be hotter than the surrounding areas. It will be very hot and baking in this plastic hole. These liners leak, the joins split and sharp objects dumped in the rubbish will pierce the plastic. Also the chemicals wear down the liners. The leachate then leaks out into the underground water, known as a plume. The normal movement of groundwater causes the leachate plume to move away from the landfill, spreading noxious contamination through the waterways. The leachate can be collected from the plastic lined landfills, but once this leachate escapes, it contaminates the ground water forever. All landfills will eventually leak into the ground as they age. A number of household chemicals can cause the liners to lose its strength, softening it, or become brittle and crack. Solvents, paint thinners, battery acid, paints, fuel, oils, etc. all cause cracks. Other household things can cause it to deteriorate and cause stress cracks, such as margarine, vinegar, alcohol, shoe polish, peppermint oils, etc. Landfills are a serious environmental problem.

DUST – The summers can be extremely hot and dry here. The weather monitoring stations are at York and Cunderdin, both a long way from this site, and the area is hotter and drier than the Perth Metropolitan flats. Dust particles float in the air. The bulldozers and tractors excavating the tip site will create huge clouds of dust. Sita now state that they will dig “borrow pits” adjacent to the tip site. This is a highfaluting name for “a huge gravel pit”. This will create a huge amount of airborne dust particles, coating all vegetation, and our dams. The excavated dirt and sand and clay will be piled high and the runoff will silt up the 13 Mile Brook. Dust will be created from the tipping of the rubbish in the hole, and dust will be created when the contaminated soil, dry sewage leftovers and sand is tipped on to the site as capping. The trucks and other machinery will cause dust to rise and settle on the surrounding countryside. To control dust emissions requires a great deal of water. Sita state that they will use a water truck, which will squirt water onto the surrounding area and the tipping site, to suppress the dust. I have heard that at the Sita Cardup Rubbish Landfill, these water trucks remain standing on site as it costs too much to water the road. The dust at Cardup Landfill site on certain days is so very thick and is a health hazard to the workers and contractors on site. Complaints go unheeded. The dry dusty roads in summer quickly turn to gluggy wet mud in winter after rains. Sita state that the leachate will be left to dry out in summer, therefore this will be a very serious noxious dust mix, consisting of chemical residue. This is then going to be put back into the landfill.

AIR EMISSIONS - Landfill gas is created by the chemical reaction of rotting putrescibles waste materials in rubbish tips. The rate of decomposition varies due to certain factors, including the contents of the waste, the temperature and moisture of the waste. The production of landfill gas is unpredictable, hard to control and is released into the atmosphere. There is a risk of explosions, fire hazards and contact with the groundwater. 40-60% of decomposing rubbish is composed of methane and 20 times the warming capacity of carbon dioxide, which is also released from landfills. Rubbish dumps, landfill sites are the sole largest emitters of methane gas, contributing to over 650 billion cubic feet per year. Latest CSIRO report that carbon dioxide emissions are increasing, from 1.1% in the 1990's up to 3% in the 2000's. Methane gas and carbon dioxide are the main contributor of global warming and climate change. Other gases are released, such as nitrogen, oxygen gas, water vapour, hydrogen sulphide, mercury and other contaminants. Hydrogen sulphide - rotten egg gas – is a smelly, colourless gas, heavier than air and very poisonous, is soluble in water, and corrosive even to metals, and plastics, is highly flammable and explosive. These gases are irritating, poisonous and are all emitted from landfill sites. If a Metropolitan landfill rubbish dump is cited in this farming agriculture area, there will be dire consequences for the environment and water supply. Sita state...*“...landfill will not impact on agricultural activities on adjacent lands..”* to what degree of ignorance can Sita state this opinion? The record shows absolute disregard for the neighbours of other

landfill and tip sites. Whatever happens to Allawuna FARM affects us and our farming activities. Once they get their foot in the door our farming enterprise and way of life will be lost forever. Our farm value has dropped dramatically, just due to this proposition being there, while the owner can walk away with his inflated price. That's more than rude.

ODOURS – Sita state “...Detailed odour modelling....all odour generated would be maintained well within the farm boundary.” and “that a wire fence around the boundary will stop all odours and dust from escaping to the neighbours...” Will Sita guarantee these statement? All rubbish tips and landfill sites emit odours, and from where we are, we will smell this rotting mass. From the very beginning of the rubbish waste stream, waste has started to decompose. Household wheelie bins contain large amounts of microorganisms. This rubbish in the wheelie bins may be up to a week old, where microbiological breakdown occurs, then to the transport trucks along our streets, to the rubbish depots, where rubbish may be stored for a few days, especially over long weekends or public holidays, into the rubbish roadtrains, being driven along our highways, through small townsites, to the end dumping ground. So the rubbish may be already a few weeks old, and decomposing fast, especially in our 38oC plus summer heat. The decomposing of this rubbish product is affected by temperature, liquid, waste composition, etc. The odours are offensive and irritating. Transporting odorous decaying waste on smelly trucks through suburban streets creates an odorous pathway, through the Waste Depot, then through Midvale, up through Greenmount, along the Great Eastern Highway, through the narrow township of Mundaring, through the smaller townsite main street of Sawyers Valley, through to the Lakes Roadhouse, down through to the Great Southern Highway (York-Chidlow Road), through the pristine Wandoo National Park, past Mt. Observation , into an agriculture dumping ground, to decay and emit odours to all the surrounding countryside, where the population will suffer.

Over 300 trace compounds have been identified in landfills, due to the huge amounts of chemicals dumped in the landfills (RUBBISH DUMPS). The odours are unpleasant and irritating, coming mainly from the sulphide containing compounds. Detection of stench varies from person to person, and the concentration in the air due to moisture, winds etc. varies, and could cause general annoyance, loss of amenity and lifestyle, loss of appetite, loss of sleep, respiratory and heart problems. Sita state they cannot measure odours. They will keep a log of complaints. So every time someone complains, as is their right, we have to give Sita all our personal details.

Sita state that they will cover the waste every evening. What about the rubbish being brought in on the roadtrains, to be dumped, more than 23 huge roadtrains of rubbish per day, which has already started to rot and emit odours. This rotting rubbish will stink, especially in our hot dry summers. The still mornings and still evenings will cause the smelly rubbish stench to stay low to the ground, thus causing all around to smell this stench. The area is hilly and the gullies have strong winds bursts and swirling wind gusts. Sita also state that they will use human sewage waste and contaminated soil as capping. This prospect adds to the contamination and odours.

NOISE – From the moment the trucks move in to commence work, we will have constant noise, every day, all day, except Sunday. The bulldozers, tractors, compactors, roadtrains and the generators all emit loud industrial noises and reverse beepers that will flow into our farms. Sita state they will be using bird scaring devices, such as loud banging. We live and work this farm 7 days a week, all year. We value this area, we value its quietness and peaceful surroundings. This is why we able to work and live here. Industrial noise is a strong pollution and should not be allowed here. It will impact on our lifestyle, our health and our animals. We generally have our ewes lambing in the adjacent paddock and the constant noise and smells from the generators, tractors, reversing beepers of the machinery will harm our animals.

LIGHT EMISSIONS – Sita state that they will not have lighting at this site. The sun rises in January at approximately 6.00 am and sets approximately 7.15 pm. But in July the sun rises at approx. 7.20 am and sets at approx 5.20 pm. The work will commence at approx. 5.45 am, and finish at approx. 6.15 pm. Some days are very dark and overcast. The roadtrains will have to use their headlights, the tractors will have to use their lights, as will all the utes and vehicles entering and on site. The area will have to be lit up, especially in winter to enable the workers to see where they are working, as they will be starting work in the dark and finish work in the dark. The office and ablutions will require lighting, and the area will probably be lit up at night for security reasons, thus the noisy generators will be kept running at all hours. These headlights and bright spotlights will shine all over our property, thus causing a light pollution. These lights will be able to be seen all along Catchment Road, on the Western boundary, thus disturbing the animals and birds. These lights will attract insects, bats, moths, snakes, lizards, etc, and thus attract night feeding animals and birds, thus putting the ecosystem out of order.

ELECTRICITY – There is no available electricity power in the Rubbish Tip site. Sita will be running their noisy generators. The power lines runs from Muresk, and Allawuna FARM is last on the line of aged and worn out power supply, which

constantly gets power outages. Sita state that they will be burning flares and generate power for many thousands of homes. Not likely. The power supply and infrastructure is aged and will not be able to handle such a new industrial scheme, unless Sita are prepared to rebuild the whole infrastructure, the huge power lines, etc. from Northam. There is only a very aged, end-of-the-line telephone connection, which is always breaking down, due to the rusting of the copper wires.

SEISMIC ACTIVITY – York was cited as being in the high risk category, the 4th most likely area in Australia for earthquakes greater than 7.2 magnitude. York has experienced such tremors, 26 November 1994, 10 klms. S.E. of York, where a swarm of tremors rocked the area for 3 days, the largest of the 27 events was magnitude 2.6. There are often tremors around this area. York has been experiencing small tremors these past months, as the small tremors are felt. Landfill sites cannot give a 100% guarantee the plastic liners, that hold this rubbish, will not tear or move during an earth tremor. Every landfill site is different and tests are ongoing as to the best practice to be used to prevent spills and tearing and movement. If an earth tremor does occur, and this is highly probably, the plastic liners will likely tear, tip over and the leachate will spill and leak into the surrounding area, through into the underground water table. This will be contamination of the highest nature. Once a leak occurs, the contamination will never be able to be stopped.

WEATHER – The weather patterns in this area are changing, with flooding and strong storms and cyclones occurring quite regularly during the previous 10 years. The flooding has ripped out fences and gouged the land. The cyclones and wirly-wurlies have uprooted huge redgums and ripped trees apart across large sections of paddocks. About 7 years ago, Allawuna Farm had approxianately 12 huge gums felled during one such small isolated cyclone, which tore through our paddocks, heading east, tearing our trees apart and tearing a roof off a neighbour's small shed. Our 2nd dam was littered with huge tree branches. Tree branches littered the pathway across the paddocks. These storms come and go very quickly, and are increasing in numbers. There have been numerous such storms in the nearby areas, where cloudbursts on nearby hills closed Great Southern Highway due to the water runoff, with debris covering the road, bringing down fences. There have been many flooded paddocks and creek lines, ripped out dams banks, fences torn down, trees uprooted. Just the other week there was another mini cyclone down through a gully, which tore apart aged huge white gums, leaving a trail of broken trees and branches for miles, in a narrow strip. This incident blocked a neighbour's access road, flattened a part of his fence, and left the highway with broken sticks and branches, causing a danger to traffic. These storms are not officially documented. If they were in the city they would be on the evening news. York has had huge cyclones come through, with huge dust storms, strong winds and strong downpours of rain and hail. This area is getting drier, the storms are getting stronger and their number is increasing. It's official. Our temperature has risen. We should all do what we can to prevent further climate damage.

DISCHARGE TO LAND – Our farm is adjacent to Allawuna, on the eastern boundary. Our other bush block borders Allawuna on the south boundary. Our farms are quite elevated, as we have views over the Mundaring Weir National Park, Mt. Observation National Park, with Pony Hill and Mt Dale able to be seen quite clearly, and Mt. Bakewell, in York, can be seen very clearly from the eastern side of our paddocks. Our farm slopes down to the east and to the west. The water flows from our farm, down through Allawuna, right through the tip site. There is abundant fresh underground water at this very site. The surface water flows down through a very strong slope, through a deep tributary, down to 13 Mile Brook. This water run-off and creek is necessary to the continuation of the natural flow of the water, feeding into the brook, which continues down-stream through other farms. Sita state that this creek which carries an enormous amount of fresh water, will be dammed. To dam a natural water way is an illegal offence. This will cause our land above their dam to become salt affected, therefore making our farm paddocks salt affected and unusable. This will be detrimental to our natural farming practices. We have left acres of remnant bush (over 600 acres in one paddock, and over 400 acres in the other 2 adjoining paddocks) in the adjoining paddocks to Allawuna. All our good farming practices and remnant bush block will be to no avail, as salt will kill the surrounding areas.

If this dump leaks the natural flow is into the 13 Mile Brook. The runoff from the stockpiled dirt, extra capping, other noxious wastes stored, etc., plus the constant roadtrains and trucks using this site will pollute the brook from oil and fuel emissions. This will all flow into and contaminate 13 Mile Brook, the underground water reservoirs, and downstream. We have a fresh water bore north of the proposed tip site. This will be the first contamination bore if this tip goes ahead.

WIND BLOWN LITTER – Sita state that wind - blown litter will be collected periodically. If Sita enter our property without our written permission, they will be trespassing. We do not want their rubbish blowing all over our clean property. By entering our property to pick up their rubbish they will create a bio-security threat to our stock and land. Noxious chemicals and rubbish residue can be carried on peoples' boots and vehicles. Sita have to hire casual workers at their

other tip site to go along the highway, adjoining farming properties, and sporting properties adjacent the tip site to pick up the wind blown plastics and papers, that have been blown from the rubbish dump. These adjoining neighbours have often got problems with wind blown rubbish, especially plastics. The adjoining sporting facility looks a mess at times. We have strong wind gusts through the valleys, having encountered small cyclones, which felled tens of aged gums, strong storms and cloud breaks, which flood the surrounding paddocks. These unusual weather conditions are becoming more usual. Rubbish, including plastic bags, float in the air and can land in the surrounding bush. With strong gusty 38 knot easterly winds, the rubbish will be blown into the National Parks. This will be contamination of a National Park. If we, the public litter, we are fined. The rubbish roadtrains will be travelling down Great Eastern Highway, to the Lakes Roadhouse, down The Great Southern Highway, into Allawuna FARM. This road route, from Mundaring, is a National Park, and the Mundaring Weir Water Catchment area. The rubbish roadtrains will supposedly be covered. We have evidence that these so-called covers do not cover all of the rubbish, but enable bags and papers, etc. to escape, fly out, onto the roads and countryside. If rubbish escapes these vehicles, or if the vehicles have an accident and the rubbish escapes into the bush, there are not any Emergency Service Personnel close by to pick this rubbish or trucks up.

FIRE – Waste Depots, Landfills and Dumps are explosive, due to the nature of decomposition, the gases entrapped in the waste, methane gases generated by the decomposing rubbish, the moisture and temperature of the waste. This area is in an agriculture area, where the local farmers are also the local Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade. There are no facilities to combat a Rubbish Tip fire, which are chemical based fires, which, when ignited, require chemical retardants to extinguish such fires, if they ever can be put out, as tip fires are known to burn and smoulder for years. Sita state that if a fire erupts, they will call on the local Volunteer Bush Fire Brigade. These are farmers, who are at their own work areas, up to 50 kms. away. The Mundaring and Sawyers Valley are Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades. Time is of the utmost importance in fires. The volunteers have their own private fire trucks and utes, have to use their own precious water and fuel, to go to a huge Multi-National owned and run Metropolitan Landfill tip site, on a farm, adjacent to Mundaring Weir/Wandoo National Park and Mt. Observation National Park. When the easterly wind whips up through these gullies these fires can spread very quickly. The adjacent bush areas will be under enormous threat. Sita state that they will manage burning of the adjacent bush areas. The Cardup Sita Dump site have a large number of fires at their site. These fires start smoldering in the rubbish trucks, tipped out at the dump face, where the smoldering fires burn for weeks, unable to be extinguished. Not one farmer or either of York's Volunteer Fire and Emergency personnel are equipped to fight a landfill fire. The nearest Metropolitan Fire and Rescue Service Station is based in Midland, a distance of 56.5 km. from Allawuna. If a fire gets started in the rubbish heap, the rubbish will have to be excavated, put somewhere else, and the hole filled with chemicals to smother the fire. The plastic liners will have to be cut or they will be burnt, allowing the liquid, the leachate, to leak out and contribute to the pollution to the waterways. The area is surrounded on 4 sides by bush and crop land. The Mundaring Weir/Wandoo and Mt. Observation National Parks, on the western boundary of Allawuna, are under threat by citing this noxious industry in this location. Wambyn Reserve borders our property on the eastern boundary, and is only over 1 km. away from Allawuna FARM. The strong easterly summer gusty winds can blow a fire very quickly through the dry adjoining bush, which is tinder dry in summer, all the way to Mundaring. The Mundaring townsite is west of Allawuna farm. There is only natural uncleared bush between the Mundaring townsite, Sawyers Valley townsite and Allawuna FARM. Our farm grows crops and pasture and we have many areas of remnant trees and uncleared bush paddocks, adjoining the tip site. If a fire gets into these areas it may not be able to be stopped before a great deal of damage is done. The tip proposal will only be 150 metres from 13 Mile Brook, put on its very banks, and only 600 metres from the western boundary, near Catchment Road.

Sita state that they will be burning a flare, to control the burning of methane gas. This will be a very dangerous exercise during our long hot dry summers, where temperatures have reached 47°C this summer. The weather is getting and drier. This will be an added fire risk, putting our lives and property at risk. Burning flares is a high contributor of methane into the atmosphere. There are many fires that burn for weeks at the old York rubbish dump. There was such a raging fire just the other day, which required a callout of the local fire services.

TRUCKS – Sita state that the trucks (roadtrains) will be covered. This covering is not tight, and rubbish is blown out of these trucks. They also state that they will "check" the load contents using cameras when the load arrives at Allawuna FARM RUBBISH DUMP. A camera cannot check a covered load, and cannot check what the contents of this load may be, especially cannot check the contents of this load at the bottom of the truck. It should be checked before leaving the city depot. A rubbish truck leaving the rubbish recycling depot was not thoroughly covered, with papers flying off at intervals, onto the oncoming cars and onto the roads and verges. The following truck was also not properly covered, doing the same thing. This is illegal and it is an offence to litter. Sita will have 12 roadtrains per hour, 6 coming fully laden, 6 empty returning, travelling along our highways.

ROADS – Sita state *“.....A detailed traffic impact assessment demonstrates that the increase in traffic resulting from the landfill will have minimal impact on traffic flows along Great Southern Highway and will increase the risk of a fatality only marginally and that the increased risk is still within the acceptable societal risk for fatalities.”* Sita is virtually saying that an accident or death on our roads due to their extra vehicle movements is okay. The road assessment was done on the Great Eastern Highway, not the Great Southern Highway. The Great Southern Highway is our most important and only access road to the metropolitan areas. We are farmers with trucks of our own, and have to cart grain and stock on this narrow twisty road, which generally follows the original bush track of our forefathers. The road is narrow undulating and very windy and now carries a large amount of traffic, including roadtrains, carrying grain, fertilizer, etc. as the Tier 3 Rail goes through its closure. The road is only a Road, named The York-Chidlow Road, locally known as the Great Southern Highway. It is very narrow, only 6 metres in places, does not have adequate verge run-off and is very rough in places. York and surrounding towns attract visitors and tourists. There are many tourist attractions in York, such as Markets, The Antique Fair, Art Displays, Photographic Awards, Car Rallies, Push bike Rallies, Motor Bike Rallies, Vintage Car Rallies, Caravan and Camping Rallies, etc. There are also Museums, including the Old York Motor Museum. Young families call York home, and many travel this road twice a day for work and business and medical appointments, schooling, and is a York and District High School Bus route. York has attracted many retirees. There are not any suitable clothing shops, shoe shops and banks here so residents have to travel out of town to access these shops. So they often have to travel on this road, vying for road space with roadtrains, trucks and lots of other fast moving vehicles, making a short trip to Midland a nervier white knuckle experience. Local residents are very worried at the prospect of this proposition going ahead, as safety on our road is a big issue. This road between the Lakes and York carries a huge amount of heavy traffic, besides the roadtrains, including motor bikes, push bikes, Vintage cars, slower moving caravans and camper vans, farmers trucks, work tradesmen utes, etc. There are a large amount of death and crashes in this area. There have been at least 10 deaths in our vicinity due to road crashes. The York to The Lakes Road is one of the worst for road fatalities, according to the RAC. There have been a lot more deaths between The Lakes and York over the previous 10 years, and this number is likely to increase if Sita is allowed to put their 12 roadtrains per hour, plus work utes, workers vehicles, plus other heavy equipment and roadtrains on this road. The huge machinery, bulldozers, tractors, etc. plus sand and capping cartage and water cartage trucks will all have to access this road. Sita state that they will only do the 200 to 300 metre access lane into Allawuna FARM for their trucks. One Roadtrain is equivalent to 40 cars. The road is not aligned properly and slopes and twists around the sharp bends. The heavy roadtrains will chop the surface of this road up, as they tend to swing around the road, often into the gravel, and with road maintenance monies being in short supply, the road will deteriorate even further.

WATER - 13 Mile Brook runs through our property, as do 5 strong tributaries, that flow down to 13 Mile Brook, through Allawuna, which is part of the Swan/Helena/Avon Water catchment/River systems., not the Spencer's Brook system as Sita state. This area has gravel and sand top soil, allowing the water to filter through to the underground aquifers. These aquifers are manly fresh water, fit for human consumption, with some salty layers. The 13 Mile Brook is an important winter brook, feeding into the Warramine Brook, feeding eventually into the Avon River systems, and the Swan River in Metropolitan Perth. There are many fresh water holes in the Brook. The Brook runs through our property and has always got fresh water holes in it, even through our long hot summers there is always small patches of wet areas, where the kangaroos, emus and our sheep drink from. This area upstream has been extensively re-vegetated, to allow the flow to be kept fresh and pristine. There are numerous species of water borne creatures, frogs and fish inhabiting these creeks and small water holes. The Western Minnow and the Western Pygmy Perch live in the winter waterholes and flowing 13 Mile Brook. These species and numerous frog species, live in fresh water, so the health of our creeks and winter Brooks are important and are healthy. The sighting of a rubbish dump, only 100 metres from the banks of this brook is so ill informed. Our water is scarce and precious. Sita do not own this water. This supply is essential for our business to operate. This is fresh, uncontaminated water aquifers. Once a tip gets here the area will be contaminated forever. The Tip site is to encompass 3 fresh water dams. There are numerous fresh water bores and wells in this area. There is an abundance of fresh water, only less than 10 metres or less below the surface.

DRINKING WATER – There is no scheme water available west of York. We rely on rainwater for drinking and household use. We do not have a choice. The noxious air- borne particles emitted by the rubbish tip settles on our roofs, plants, animals, etc. We collect rainwater which falls onto our roofs, shed roofs, and house roofs. This is our only fresh water for drinking, bathing and washing dishes. Our system for collecting water for our rainwater tanks is expensive to install. We are entitled to clean air and clean water. By citing a metropolitan rubbish dump in this area is putting the health of our family and children at risk. The noxious fumes and particles emitted from rotting rubbish is filled with carcinogenic chemicals. We work and live here. This is our workplace and home. The dam water is our stock drinking water. The noxious airborne contaminates emitted from this proposal will settle on our dams and creek, the sheep drink this water,

ingesting poisons. Our future of clean stock water and disease free stock will be in jeopardy. We also use this dam water and rain water for watering our vegetable garden and fruit trees. This water is also used in the house toilet.

THE NATIONAL PARKS - Sita state *"....The landfill is fully screened from Mt. Observation and Great Southern Highway."* Sita also stated that the landfill will not be seen from anywhere outside the Allawuna property. This tip site is only about 600 metres from the western boundary of the Mt. Observation National Park. Catchment Road runs down the western boundary of Allawuna and Mt. Observation/ Mundaring Weir/ Wandoo National Parks, down to Helena Road to the South. This proposal will be seen and smelt for miles away, even though Sita state that it won't be seen by anyone. The height of the dump will be seen through the trees through the gullies from the Great Southern Highway. The adjoining National Park at Mt. Observation is highly regarded as a year round visitor retreat, with picnic areas (free bbq's, picnic areas and toilets are located here), bush walking tracks, bird watching areas (a bird hive is near Catchment Road), and the Catchment Road is an enjoyable 2 wheel (4 wheel winter access) drive all year. The wildflowers and birdlife are in abundance. This area will be extremely impacted by the noise, smells and dust generated by this industrial site, in a prime agriculture region, next to a quiet national park. The dust and smells from this proposal will harm the environment, coating layers of chemical residue on the plant life. The noise of the bulldozers, machinery and generators will carry for miles. The national Park will never be able to be used as a relaxing getaway. This is very unjust. There is also Tadpole Rock, our family native picnic area, on the very border of Allawuna FARM, just about 450 metres from the Tip Site. Over to the East, bordering our eastern boundary and runs off Great Southern Highway, is Wambyn Reserve Nature Park, where the Wedge Tailed Eagle has a nest, a very rare sight. Then to the North is St. Ronan Nature Reserve and well, which was built when the first travellers came to York, for a watering hole for the horses and camels.

LAND CLEARING – Sita state.. *".....that the Landfil has been specifically located to avoid clearing of any remnant bushland on the site. The scattered isolated Marri and Wandoo trees on the area have been carefully assessed and show no evidence of Black Cockatoo roosting or breeding."* The Landfill area has been taken further up the hill. There are a large number of remnant trees, in small pockets and standing on their own, more than 400 aged trees. These trees have been there for hundreds of years and important to the overall ecosystem. They as a whole are a breeding, feeding habitat for hundreds of birds and insects. If many trees are removed, the salt will rise up through the ground, turning our fresh water dams salty. The area is hilly, with the Rubbish Dump placed on a side of the hill. The trees will be knocked down to make way for this proposition, and will be felled to make room for the roads, etc. This will also cause land slips and water run-off gorges.

CARNABY BLACK COCKATOO - The endangered Carnaby Black Cockatoos, Baudins Black Cockatoos and the Red tailed Black Cockatoos inhabit this area. The Cockatoos have decreased in numbers in the last few years and are very susceptible to changes in their environment. Sita will be knocking down hundreds of aged trees, the feeding and breeding ground of these birds. The noise and stench will impact on their lives, and will drive them away from this area. They may nest on Allawuna FARM, and they do feed and rear their young on Allawuna FARM, and the surrounding farms and bush. They feed on the Canola Crops and Barley Crops on Allawuna FARM, as well as the Marri gum and Pine seeds. Many species of birds inhabit this area, as it is adjacent to Mundaring Weir/Wandoo National Parks. Sita put in their application only bits of flurry information from only one very small area, on the actual Tip site only, and say there is no indication that the birds use the trees to breed there, but the whole area including Allawuna FARM will be impacted. This whole area is important for these birds survival. Also, the actual tip site has been moved and there will be huge holes dug for the gravel. So this whole area is of importance.

BIRDS – This area is surrounded by bush. There are a large number of native bird species here, including living and feeding at Allawuna FARM. The Rubbish Tip site is adjacent to aged marris and wandoo Gums, the nesting site of many birds. The Emus come into Allawuna FARM from the surrounding bush, flinging their legs sideways, flattening the crops of canola and barley as they run through. They go straight over the fences, and can break and mangle the strongest of fences. They roam in flock s of 50 or more. There are Wedge-Tailed eagles, Brown Goshawks, Black shouldered Kites, Brown Falcons, Australian Hobby, Peregrine Falcons, and Nankeen Kestrels, which are feeders of lizards, snakes, dead lambs, dead road kill, small rats and mice. There are the smaller quails and pigeons which live in our grasslands or scrub bush. These birds also inhabit Allawuna FARM. The noisy Pink and Grey Galahs form large flocks and feed and live around cropped areas, including Allawuna FARM. There are abundant Green and Yellow ringneck parrots. The Carnaby Black Cockatoos, the Baudins Black Cockatoos, and the Red Tailed Black Cockatoos also inhabit Allawuna FARM. Cuckoos (Pallid Cuckatoos, Horsfield's Cuckoo and Shining Bronze Cuckoo) nest and migrate and feed in this area. At night we can hear the Owls and Frogmouths calling to each other. When it is about to rain we see the Rainbow Bee-eater, a beautiful plumaged small bird,

which migrates from the north, to breed here. We have robins, wattle birds, wrens, magpies, crows, ravens, mudlarks, willy wag-tails, fly-catchers, swallows, etc. The bush has huge numbers of small birds too numerous to mention. All these birds are an important part of our ecology, and live and feed at Allawuna FARM. Just because there is a fence that borders us from the neighbour, does not prevent the birds from flying over. The area is surrounded by native bush, and is teeming with life. The Rubbish Dump cited in the centre of their food and living areas will severely impact on their ability to survive. This area is Native and Natural.

BEES - Our farm and adjacent farms all have Honey bee Hives, either of our own or brought in by Apiarists. We have a local commercial producer bring his hives into the farm. These hives are also set in Allawuna FARM, and in special licence areas in the nearby Wandoo National Park. There are 20,000 species of bees, with 800 native bee species found in Western Australia, as well as the better known European Honey Bee. Bees and wasps pollinate our crops and gardens, and also pollinate our native plants. Specific bees and wasps only pollinate certain plants. They can live and nest in our bush, trees, and are probably habitating trees and bushes at Allawuna FARM, feeding on the flowering gums, grasses etc. and helping to feed the many number of small birds that inhabit this area. The world's bee population has halved, due to pesticide and herbicide use, and noxious airborne poisons. The death of bees impacts on our food chain at the highest level. The Redgum (Marri) honey from this area is well sought after by shoppers. If the landfill is placed here, these hives will not be able to be placed here, as this area will be a contaminated area.

FUNGI AND WILDFLOWERS – Fungi (edible mushrooms) cannot be eaten if picked within a contaminated landfill site, which will include within our farm boundary. The poisons carry through the ground for miles around, as do the fungus growths. Every year it is a highlight to the break in the seasons for friends and relatives to visit and pick the mushrooms. This surrounding area is bordered by Tadpole Rock, our family Reserve, Wambyn Reserve Nature Park, Ralph Mccolls uncleared natural bush, and Wandoo National Park on the West of Allawuna FARM. These bush areas are a diversity Hot-spot, and grow the most abundance variety of plants and flowers, some rare and endangered. There are acres of wild bush orchids, lots of low growing scrub species, etc. Just because Allawuna FARM is semi cleared and the area has been cropped, the surrounding countryside is important and everything is joined and cannot survive without the other.

CROPS – Allawuna FARM grows bumper crops of Canola, oats and Barley. The Barley is harvested for the seed then the barley straw is baled. The merino sheep produce fine wool and fat lambs. This FARM is good food producing farmland. Sita state that the farm will still be agriculture, but with their fences, roads, traffic, and the unaccessable wet areas in winter, and the extra loads of Ash from the Rubbish Burning incinerators, and the dumping of the sewage sludge, at the southern end of this FARM, and the digging of the soil and gravel pits for building up the dump and capping material.....not much farm left. The local area grow crops and have different animals, including beef stock, sheep for the fat meat trade, alpacas, horses, poultry, etc.

FERAL ANIMALS – Sita state “...There are no animals or birds worth mentioning on or near the tip site.” Allawuna is surrounded by bush, namely the Catchment Road, Mt. Observation National Park, Mundaring Weir/ Wandoo National Park on the west boundary, and the southern boundary is McColl's uncleared bush block, that borders Catchment Road and Helena Road, has 13 Mile Brook flowing through it. The Helena River is south of this. There are also large stands of uncleared bush on the eastern side, at Oringa Park, namely Tadpole Rock family reserve, and hundreds of acres of uncleared bush in the adjoining paddocks. Then there is Wambyn Reserve, just over 1 km. to the east of Allawuna FARM. All of these areas abound with native wildlife and birds, including emus, kangaroos, wallabies, possums, lizards, goannas, snakes, including carpet snakes, native mice, etc. and feral animals and birds, including foxes, cats, wild pigs and wild dogs. There are wedge-tailed eagles, which have a huge nest in Wambyn Reserve, hawks, kites, crows, ravens to name a few carrion eating birds. Rats and mice love rubbish. Sita state that they will control rats and mice with baits. The result will be the birds picking up these baited animals, poisoning them, and the poison residue will contaminate our water. Sita state that they will use bird-scaring devices. Remember, this area is adjacent to my farm and to the Mundaring/Mt. Observation National Park, where birds and animals live in peace and quiet. We do not need nor do we want this sort of destructive industry on our prime agricultural farm land. The area is a home to huge numbers of emus and kangaroos which travel through the Wambyn Reserve, through our bush blocks, through to the Wandoo National Park. This is their natural habitat. There are a huge number of wild pigs and cats in the surrounding bush as well. Allawuna FARM is a feeding ground for tens of kangaroos and emus, seen in the late afternoon, feeding on the grasses and crops. A wire fence will not prevent wild pigs from accessing the rubbish. They can smell rubbish from miles away. They will push through, under and flatten and break these wire fences. A capping of the rubbish at night of sand, contaminated soil or human sewage residue will not prevent these animals from entering the rubbish heaps, then they enter our property and wallow in our dams, contaminating our stock water. There are meat-ants, snakes, lizards, and flies and mosquitoes, which will breed out

of proportion. Rubbish Tips attract seagulls. These birds love rubbish and will fly in to make their home here, which we certainly do not want.

TOURISM - Sita state "...The landfill will not impact on tourism..." York is a historical town, the first inland town in Western Australia. Tourists flock here from all parts of the globe. Hundreds of visitors come to York every weekend, especially during winter and spring, to see our beautiful historic town, the bush and wild flowers. There are markets and special events during the year. They all have to travel along the Great Southern Highway, to fight their way past the rubbish roadtrains. We do not want York to be known as "the rubbish town".

ECONOMIC BENEFITS – Sita state "...The landfill has the potential to provide direct and indirect economic benefits to the broader York region....." The roadtrains are privately owned and they are contracted to the Rubbish Industry, so are sub-contractors. When Cardup Landfill is no longer in service, these same contractors, in their unmarked trucks and roadtrains, will transfer their work anywhere the rubbish pickup and unloading is, even to York. They will not even come into the York townsite. They will pick up their tyres, repairs and fuel near their work depot, to the west of the Alawuna FARM Landfill. They will not even buy their lunches at York. So there will be no financial benefit for York. Sita state "...the potential to generate up to 90 full time jobs." Sita first state that there will be 12 jobs, then it goes up to 45 jobs, and training for indigenous persons, then up to 90 full-time jobs. I question this statement. There is a need for only 2 or 3 persons full time employed at the landfill site.

SHIRE OF YORK - The Shire of York is a small country shire. The rates will have to keep going up to accommodate the extra costs and burden that the siting of a huge Metropolitan Landfill Rubbish Dump in the Shire of York will bring. It is an impost for our Shire and the residents. We will be paying for this disastrous mistake forever. Even our children and their children will be paying the cost. This is no benefit for York or the residents.

ALTERNATIVE WASTE SOLUTIONS – New to Perth, Phoenix Energy, Kwinana, waste to energy facility. New Energy, waste to energy, East Rockingham and Karratha. Boodarie, gasification, Port Hedland. Anaeco, northern suburbs, Perth, still to start operating. These are new and cost alternatives to Landfill, where the rubbish is just buried. The new technology recycles, burns the rubbish and generates power for Perth and other districts. Another alternative is to put Sita's rubbish onto rail and rail it across to other towns in the eastern regions of Western Australia, such as Tammin, who want the rubbish industry in their town, and Koolynobbing, where an open pit mine is just at the end of its life as an open cut mine, but would be very suitable to take Perth's rubbish for 100 years or so. The cost of road transport is increasing and rail, or alternative power sources are the future. The Government of Western Australia should take more responsibility for their rubbish, not leave it to the multi-national companies to solve this problem for them.

I have only briefly covered my concerns. I feel that this proposal is not warranted at this location. Landfills are obnoxious, and outdated, and they should be the last resort in the waste management stream. Landfills are the easiest and cheapest options for METROPOLITAN RUBBISH. A good deal of the information released by Sita is taken from a UK Study re Landfill sites, funded by Sita (Viridis). The original information that Sita released, (not given to us, but through telephone calls, we were given dribs and drabs of information) to the Shire of York and the York public, is completely different from the documents that we have now. Even the documents and maps of the proposal area given to the EPA are completely different from the DER proposal. Sita changed their ideas and plans of the Landfill to appease the York public, but they do not guarantee to change back to the original plans and extend the landfill to the whole farm once this gets approval. Sita have been telling untruths throughout their whole proposal, so which untruths do we, the nearest neighbour and the general public, believe to be the true proposal? Sita state that there has been significant Public Consultation. Not one of the neighbours were notified of this proposal. We found out accidentally, and we had to ring Sita ourselves to find out anything. This is NOT public consultation, as they have tried to keep their information secret. Sita also stated that they would be taking out the Kaolin Clay deposits, selling this clay for millions of dollars. This proposal goes against "The Avon Arc", and against the Shire of York's Strategic Community Plan. Why bother to use our money to fund and produce these Plans for York then go and destroy all the good works. The people of York do not want this Landfill at Allawuna. NO METROPOLITAN LANDFILL (PERTH'S RUBBISH DUMP) AT ALLAWUNA. This is a FARM not a noxious Industry.

Yours, faithfully



Ian McColl

The Shire of York,

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Dear Sir,

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With reference to the above , we would like to make the following submission:

We are against any proposal by SITA to put a landfill site at the good farming area of Allawuna Farm.

YORK is well known as one of the most productive agricultural areas in the state of W.A. and to put a landfill company in this land is a disgrace.

York is also the oldest country town in W.A. with history and character. Its uniqueness brings tourists to the town. Landfill does not fit in with tourism.

Please reconsider this proposal.

Yours faithfully,

MW & JP Joyce *Michael W. Joyce. Jesse P Joyce*

CS Joyce *Charles & Joyce*

MD Joyce *Mark & Joyce*

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York WA 6302

22nd May 2015

The Commissioner
Shire of York
PO Box 22
YORK WA 6302

Dear Sir

Re : **SITA landfill proposal at Allawuna farm**

We wish to register our opposition to the above revised proposal proceeding. We cannot believe that the Shire of York is prepared to sacrifice productive agricultural land for a rubbish tip when there is so much land in the wheatbelt that is already unusable for agriculture through salt degradation.

The increase in rubbish trucks using Great Southern Highway will deter visitors to York as the easy one hour drive from Perth will become far more hazardous. We stand to lose the day trippers to Toodyay where they can travel a similar distance in greater safety.

The road is also a school bus run for the York District High School from the proposed tip entrance to Berry Brow Road and there also 7 local children who use the road twice on school days to attend Helana College in Darlington and this number we understand will increase next year as more children from York attend the College. We are putting their safety at risk and the profitability of local businesses at risk for a rubbish dump.

We urge you to reject SITA's proposal and recommend that SITA be advised to look for a more viable location using non productive land preferably adjacent to a rail line so that rubbish from the metropolitan area can be transported by rail.

Yours sincerely



Ross and Margaret Clarke

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From: Danny Wallace <d.wallace@hotmail.com>
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MR AND MRS WALLACE

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To Whom It may Concern

We are writing this letter to express our concern over the proposed toxic waste dump at Allawuna. The environmental impact in regards to the location cannot be overlooked. Any preventative measures could not possibly stop the contamination of soil and water in our area. The water also flows thru to the Mundaring Catchment area.

Other concerns are the safe transportation of the waste to the site. The Great Southern Highway is already dangerous and in need of upgrading and the Wheatbelt has the highest road toll in the state. The site would also detract tourists from the area which would have a strong impact on the town's hospitality and tourism industries.

We ask that a more suitable location be chosen when you consider the irreversible environmental impact on the wider community.

Yours faithfully

Danny and Loretta Wallace

When all the trees are gone and the oceans are empty you will realise we cannot eat money

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To The Commissioner James Best and the Shire of York,

RE: The SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna by SITA Australia and believe that the proposal should not be permitted.

The proposal is against the principals of the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

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." The proposal does not meet the objectives of York's Community Strategic Plan which states, "Protect and Enhance our rural land and spaces" and has a priority to "Establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected." Landfill does not enhance nor preserve and should not be placed in our agricultural areas, especially near important water sources.

The landfill will not benefit York in anyway, but has the potential to destroy our agriculture industry, our tourism and hospitality industries and valuable employment that these industries bring to York. I therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

I do agree with the above
and all so the Transport Minister
should be involved re the traffic
that will be moving to and fro.

Yours sincerely

NAME Jan GRIFFIN WA 6302.

ADDRESS [Redacted]

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J. E. Griffin

Due 25th May 2015

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To Whom, it may Concern

There are plenty of big holes that need to be filled around the place, instead of opening up good farm land that is close to Perth.

In relation to the drinking water being affected. It is not the drink water, it is the run off that is affected, the environment, the trees the river, and eventually the people.

The number of trucks on the Gt. Southern Hwy. going up & down to Perth. Come up to York and experience the road since the Tri 3 Train line has been closed. With the grain trucks plus Hay, travelling the road past your land, Allawona Farm.

Hope you will take notice of this concern.

Yours Jan Griffin

J. Griffin

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From: Justin Marwick
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To whom it may concern,

I strenuously object to the proposal by SITA to locate a landfill site at Allawuna Farm West of York. The reasons for my objections are as follows:

- **ROAD SAFETY:** Heavy vehicle traffic will increase by Almost 30% on from the lakes to the Allawuna turnoff- anyone who has driven that stretch knows that there are only about 3 overtaking opportunities in the 18km from coming from Perth and approximately 20 sharp curves in the same distance. Brookfield and CBH's negotiations stand to increase traffic further - That portion of the Great southern highway is dangerous enough without further degradation resultant from increased heavy vehicle traffic. Great Eastern Highway may be rated for that intensity of axel loading but I fear that the Great southern highway is not (based on my observations of the degradation over the last 5 years due to increased grain and hay cartage vehicles.
- **Social Collateral Regional Strategic Vision:** Sita seeks to use for free the social collateral of the Avon Valley and the people who live East of York Quairading, Bruce Rock Corrigin. The first part of the social collateral is Sita's attempted usurping of a disproportionate proportion of the road infrastructure (as above). Another part of the social collateral of the Avon Valley is the early Australian European architecture and buildings located in Western Australia's oldest inland settlement. The location of a landfill within the precinct is the antithesis of the York Shire's Strategic Community Plan some of which is reproduced below: I have added the highlight to the text which the Sita proposal most antagonises the regional community vision.

"Our Shire will be: A place to visit, work, play and rest;

A place of vibrancy and energy, but one of tranquillity and safety;

A place of growth, where local businesses find opportunities and thrive;

A place of history and cultural interests, where past history is valued, building a sense of permanency and pride; and

A place of community, where lifestyle choices are important and where community matters.

Our Aim: To manage growth, economically and socially, in supporting a progressive vibrant community.

OUR GOALS

Social: Manage population growth, through planned provision of services and infrastructure.

Strengthen community interactions and a sense of a united, cohesive and safe community.

Build and strengthen community, culture, vibrancy and energy.

Environmental: Maintain and preserve the natural environment during growth, enhancing the 'rural' nature of York and ensuring a sustainable environment for the future.

Support sustainable energy and renewable resource choices.

Economic: Build population base through economic prosperity.

Value, protect and preserve our heritage and past.

Grow the economic base and actively support local businesses and service provision. "

- **Commercial Imperative:** Sita's and indeed Nial Stock's repeated assertions that this is the best site have no validity due to the lack of transparency in the submission. I believe that Nial Stock's performance criteria to his superiors will contain the Allawuna landfill success at the top of the list and as such with such a vested interest in the location of Allawuna as a landfill site that his assertions are not independent and do not have the perspective other than to fulfil his professional and career objectives. I have no way of knowing if this is

true and if it is not and is shown to be incorrect (by Mr Stock publishing his performance agreement details) then I will withdraw that portion of the objection. I have attached a Fact sheet that includes no facts - just assertions by Sita -this type of high handed dismissive communication has been typical of Sita's conduct in this matter.

Sita's correspondence to the effect that they need to have a new land fill site up and running by 2016 also has no relevance to the application for Landfill at Allawuna - The situation that Sita find themselves in due to their nomination of such an unsuitable site and then having that site as their only alternative at this late stage is a reflection on the Company's poor governance and inability to plan. They should have had a 20 year plan for their assets the Allawuna project should have one project with other contingency plans. So their imperative to have a site by 2016 is a problem that belongs entirely to Sita and probably by extension Mr Stock **not** the people of the Avon Valley.

- **Environmental Impact.** I am afraid that I must work for a living and do not have the time or resources to plough through environmental impact reports for the drainage , water table and subsoil; however I have an opinion on the approach taken by SITA. If this proposal has been amended then why? Why would Sita put an ambit claim with no lining - only saprolite clay and day cover - with a 40 year life (by which time I would be 85 years old) to a fully lined hole in the ground with a 20 or so life? I would suspect that this is again due to Sita's commercial imperative and lack of alternative. The inference is that they gain approval for the reduce facility and then continue to apply for extensions to the original planned 40 year life. The lifespan of what Sita are proposing I have no appetite to sign my children up to an enterprise that does not provide any benefit to the region.

I suspect that the original shambolic submission by Sita and subsequent assessment by the DER was based only on a population density study and the regulations around population density. The reviews by the department and Sita scream that neither Sita or the department's treatment of the original submission was appropriate. So after having been treated with such contempt then why would this proposal engage any more support from me?

The use of road transport is not only a safety hazard which degrades infrastructure - it is inefficient. I would support a waste disposal site that was serviced by rail. Rail transport offers huge advantages in efficiency over road transport due to the massive volume of material that can be moved and the low rolling resistance of steel on steel.

1. Rail freight emits 75% less greenhouse gas emissions per tonne of freight moved compared to the road freight transport sector. (Association of American Railroads (2011) [Freight Railroads Help Reduce Greenhouse Gas Emissions](#). AAR)

- **York Commercial Impact:** I am a business owner and since buying a business in 2009 we have seen a decrease in trade. There has been an almost complete cessation of events for the town which has reduced the traffic of weekend and day trippers - York used to be known across Australia as the venue for a Jazz festival, it had hosted wine and food festivals, vintage and veteran car days all of these are events that enhance the commercial and cultural outlook of the town. The location of a landfill waste dump on the gateway of York and the Eastern Wheatbelt does nothing to enhance either's reputation. I am interested in ventures that will bring business which is complimentary to tourism and food production - both in appearance and in action. Would anyone seriously consider a waste facility on the approach to Margaret River?

Why do Sita not embrace the example set by Phoenix energy and invest in waste to energy technology - near existing power and utility infrastructure? <http://www.phoenixenergy.com.au/projects/>.

Regards

Justin Marwick

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From: Mark & Carol Littlefair
Sent: Monday, 25 May 2015 7:52 AM
To: Records
Subject: sita dump objection
Attachments: OBJECTION TO SITA DUMP PROPOSAL.docx

Hello Susan
Please find attached my personal letter of objection to the above
Kind regards
Carol Littlefair

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25 May 2015

RE; OBJECTION TO MODIFIED SITA LANDFILL PROPOSAL

To Whom it May Concern

I, Carol Margaret Littlefair of the above address, object in the strongest possible terms to the modified Sita Landfill proposal, which as it stands, does not differ in essence to the original application.

If this proposal goes ahead the impacts upon this environment and community are likely to be disastrous. The number of traffic movements of large trucks alone along the Great Southern Highway – the favoured route by tourists from Perth to York – will be extremely detrimental to the tourism economy, recently identified as one of the five economic opportunities in the Wheatbelt Development Commission's 'Blueprint for the Wheatbelt'. It will especially affect heritage and nature-based tourism, in which the experience starts before arrival, and decisions to visit are made based on prior knowledge or preconceptions of the area. Infamy of York being the waste tip for Perth, reached only by a road that is made many times more hazardous by a regular passage of huge trucks, will effectively kill the tourism industry for York.

I also believe the Fire Management Plan, as shown in the modified proposal is totally inadequate because it fails to acknowledge that the personnel called to fight the fire will be Volunteer Bush Fire Brigades – who are always overstretched in the rural area of York during the hot weather when most fires occur, there simply may not be enough people to attend quickly enough especially if a fire occurs after opening hours, when Sita staff have gone home. Speed of attendance is such a vital factor in controlling bush fires – it seems that this has been totally ignored. Fires don't just start conveniently only when Sita staff are there to deal with them.

I also believe all the other factors unchanged, such as the geotextile membrane to control leachate leaks – totally inadequate- and the odour control - guessing the wind won't carry smells further than the boundary – are totally unacceptable. I register my objection to the modified proposal and send the message that, THIS SITA DUMP IS NOT WANTED IN THE SHIRE OF YORK.

Sincerely

Carol Margaret Littlefair

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From: Rhiann Gospe
Sent: Sunday, 24 May 2015 10:23 PM
To: Records
Subject: SITA Landfill Proposal
Attachments: SITA Proposal Letter May 24 2015.docx

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Please find attached a letter opposing the SITA Landfill proposal

regards

Aaron & Rhiann Gosper

YORK WA 6302

May 24 2015

Shire Of York
PO Box 22
YORK, WA. 6302

To The Commissioner James Best and The Shire of York,

RE: The SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

We are writing to express our strong opposition to the proposed Allawuna Farm Landfill facility in the Shire of York on a number of grounds.

As the proposed Landfill site would be situated in a seismic zone, we are very concerned about the potential impact, locally as well as further afield, caused by the leaking of toxic leachate into our waterways and environment.

We are also concerned about the increase in type and volume of traffic that this venture will create. We believe this will affect the tourism industry in York and surrounding areas. The Great Southern Highway from The Lakes Roadhouse to York is already one that has a high rate of accidents and increased traffic will add to this hazard.

We use this road daily to transport school students to and from Glen Forrest and this is another consideration to be concerned about. Even with an expanded and improved road, which would take many months or years, the road presents many dangers.

The proposal is against the principles of the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

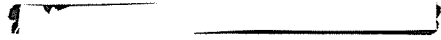
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The landfill will not benefit York in anyway, but has the potential to destroy our agriculture industry, our tourism and hospitality industries and valuable employment that these industries bring to York. I therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

Yours sincerely

Aaron & Rhiann Gosper



YORK WA 6302

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From: ken & jo wheeler
Sent: Sunday, 24 May 2015 8:11 AM
To: Records
Subject: Submission against the SITA dump application in York
Attachments: Dump The Dump.docx

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Please find attached a submission for the SITA dump in York.
Thanks,
Abbey Wheeler

Dump the Dump

To whom it may concern,

Why does SITA continue to plan this new, horrendous dump? Can't they see the huge, negative effects that this dump will have on this town? Or maybe they just don't care about this amazing rural community. Sure, they have made some small changes to the overall plan of this tip, but what will it take for them to see past their own profit to realise how terrible this dump will be?

Firstly, why pollute a pristine farming area? The dump will attract lots of feral animals such as rodents, foxes and feral cats. Once the ferals start breeding they will move into the surrounding bush. Most of which is undisturbed and in good condition. The feral animals will then wipe out the native species of animals, some of which are rare and endangered. Once the native animals are wiped out, the bush will slowly start to decline, because there will be no animals and birds to spread the plants' seeds. Some animals that will be severely affected are echidnas, dunnarts, phascogales, bandicoots, dragon lizards, skinks, cockatoos, western yellow robins, black shouldered kites, wedge tailed eagles and all small birds. There are some 50 odd species of orchids in the surrounding bush that could potentially be wiped out. There are also a few scarlet leschenaultia plants in the bush that are on the *declared flora list*. Does SITA not care about these vital native plants and animals? Many local community groups have been working tirelessly to help revegetate the area. If the dump goes ahead, all of these local people's efforts will have been wasted.

Secondly, SITA tells us that there are loads of benefits for the community that will come out of this dump; including 23.5 full time jobs. Yes, there will be some jobs for locals, but for how long? Probably only long enough to finish building the dump. And anyway, if I'm wrong about these jobs only lasting a short time, what local would want to work at the horrible tip that the whole community is against? Plus York is a tourist hotspot. If word gets around that our town is home to a giant landfill site, why would tourists come and visit our town and spend money here, the money that builds our local economy.

Furthermore, landfill sites are not permitted in coastal areas anymore, so what makes it acceptable to put a huge dump in the state's highest earthquake zone? Has SITA gone nuts? If the town has a large earthquake, what's to say that it won't break the lining on the bottom of the pit and leak toxic waste into surrounding soil and drinking water?

In addition, Great Southern Highway is barely fit to drive on in a car, let alone 5 extra 20 tonne trucks an hour! Besides, they can never expand the road to suit that amount of trucks without knocking down a massive number of trees and wildlife habitat. The road is far too unsafe for giant mega dump trucks. Does SITA want to be known as the people that made the roads so bad to travel on?

So all in all, with the combined impacts on the native flora and fauna, roads, tourism and the community spirit, why would anybody let this dump go ahead? Please, dump the dump.

Abbey Wheeler Year 8

York

Western Australia

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23/5/2015

DER. Reference No. W5830 - ALLAWUNIA York WA 6302

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Dear Sir/Madam,
his submission relates to the amended proposal
by SITA.

We remain concerned about:-

- Air Emissions.
- Dust Emissions.
- Odour Emissions.
- Noise Emissions.
- Light Emissions.
- Discharge to water.
- Discharge to land.
- Earthquake risk.
- Liner leakage and rupture.
- Traffic impact, risk and road condition.
- Effect on York's lifestyle and tourism.
- The facility being increased and/or reclassified in the future.
- The general impact on surrounding land and environment.

We are vehemently opposed to this proposal and demand that SITA explores newer refuse disposal technology and locates to a more suitable site.

Sincerely

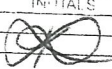
Brian and Joyce Marwick.

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From: peter stepanicev
Sent: Friday, 22 May 2015 4:20 PM
To: Records
Subject: Objection to landfill proposal
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My objection to the landfill proposal site.

Yours sincerely

Peter Stepanicev

Shire of York
P O Box 22
York WA 6302

To The Commissioner James Best and the Shire of York,

RE: The SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna by SITA Australia and believe that the proposal should not be permitted.

The proposal is against the principals of the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

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The landfill will not benefit York in anyway, but has the potential to destroy our agriculture industry, our tourism and hospitality industries and valuable employment that these industries bring to York. I therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

I travel the highway between York and The Lakes very regularly and that section of highway is in my opinion only safe for cars and small trucks. There are very few safe overtaking areas in this 45 km of highway considering the volume of cars and trucks that use it. Add heavy haulage trucks on this highway on a daily basis that will be carting refuse to the landfill plant, it will only be making this road far more dangerous than it already is.

A disaster waiting to happen.

York 6302

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From: Soraya Mackay-Koelen
Sent: Monday, 25 May 2015 8:54 AM
To: Records
Subject: Allawuna Landfill Submission
Attachments: York Shire Submission - Allawuna - Soraya Mackay-Koelen.pdf

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Dear York Shire,

Attached is my submission for the proposed landfill at Allawuna Farm.

Kind Regards,
Soraya Mackay-Koelen

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22nd May 2015

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I regularly travel to St. Ronan's to stay and was lucky enough to spend 5 weeks there in January 2015. It is a beautiful and quiet area that will be seriously affected by the noise that will be created by landfill activities. Being able to experience this serene agriculture area is extremely important to me as it provides my family, friends and me a place to go to escape from the city stress

I am very concerned about the extra road trains that SITA will use to cart waste to the landfill. I regularly travel along Great Southern Highway and find it is already a very dangerous and unsafe road, with many trucks travelling over the middle of the road. The constant and extra traffic that the Landfill will create will further deteriorate the road and very little is ever spent to improve the roads condition. I feel that the Government needs to improve the quality of Great Southern Highway before this could even be considered as a proposal.

The properties in St. Ronan's rely solely on ground and surface water supplies, with drinking water obtained from rainwater tanks. A landfill brings many contaminates into an area as well as rodents and birds that help to distribute pollutants over a wider area. At present this area has many organic farmers and farmers who use little chemical. Water supplies are clean, with many wells and dams containing a fresher cleaner supply of water than the water we drink in Perth. It is unreasonable to expect the residence of the area to cart clean water when supplies become contaminated. I believe that if this proposal is to ever be considered in realistic terms then all residents should be supplied with free water for themselves and stock.

York is a beautiful historic town that attracts many tourists to see its buildings and experience life in a country town. Its proximity to Perth makes it a perfect weekend getaway. I believe that the landfill proposal will seriously affect how people view York and many tourists will cease to come. I know that SITA are promising many jobs for locals but I do not believe this will be the case. Allawuna is situated so close to Perth and for some the drive to St. Ronan's will be quicker than from north to south of the river and vice a versa.

I am seriously concerned about the positioning of a landfill in the St. Ronan's area and feel there is more to lose than to gain by placing toxic waste into a high value food producing area located so closely to water catchment, National forests and on a good agricultural site. I feel this will have dire consequences for future generations of Western Australians and therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

Yours sincerely,

Soraya Markav-Knelan

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From: Joy
Sent: Monday, 25 May 2015 1:24 AM
To: Records
Subject: SITA OBJECTION
Attachments: 150524SITA.doc

Importance: High

ATTN: Mr James Best – Commissioner

Please find attached my objection to the SITA Landfill at Allawuna Farm.

Joy Marshall

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Joy Marshall

YORK WA 6302

Commissioner James Best
Shire of York
PO Box 22
YORK WA 6302

Dear Sir

**RE: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL
PROPOSAL LOTS 9926, 4869, 5931 & 26934 GRT SOUTHERN H'WAY ST RONAN'S YORK**

I wish to object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna by SITA Australia and believe that the proposal should not be permitted.

The proposal is against the principals of the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

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The main access road to York, the Great Southern Highway is an extremely dangerous road and not suitable for the extra trucks and road trains this proposal will bring.

The landfill will not benefit York in any way and I therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

Yours faithfully

Joy Marshall

JOY MARSHALL

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From: Alisdair Dougall
Sent: Sunday, 24 May 2015 5:19 PM
To: Records
Subject: RE: The SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

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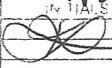
The proposed landfill will have a detrimental impact on the amenity of York due to the odour, dust and rubbish that will emanate from it, as it does from every other landfill I have seen.

Furthermore siting a landfill in a drinking water catchment area and on agricultural land, thus polluting food producing land and potentially polluting a drinking water supply, is what one would expect in a third world country not in Western Australia.

Yours sincerely

Alisdair Dougall

24/05/2015

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Bethany Spence

York WA 6302

21st May 2015

Shire of York
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To Commissioner James Best and the Shire of York,

With reference to the SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal on Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

I am writing to object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna by SITA Australia and believe that the proposal should not be permitted.

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Yours sincerely



Bethany Spence

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Kurt Rivette

York WA 6302

21st May 2015

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Yours sincerely

Kurt Rivette



TO: SHIRE OF YORK,
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YORK, W.A., 6302.

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Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

DATE 21-5-2015

NAME: Valma Wheeler

ADDRESS: ~~_____~~
York WA 6302

Dear Sir,

The amended application from Sita Allawuna Farm Landfill proposed use does not change, the proposal is still the same as original, therefore the previous submissions to the Shire of York against the original application are still valid. The Shire of York's Planning Officer's report is therefore still valid. The JDAP's reasons for upholding the Shire of York's Council's decision and refusing the Sita Allawuna Farm Landfill, are still valid.

I object to this proposed Sita Allawuna Farm Landfill (rubbish dump). This should not be permitted as it does not fit within the Shire of York's 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 enterprises are not an agricultural activity, should not be placed in our broad-acre farms, but instead Landfills destroy and poison our environment. This area produces sheep, cattle, wool, grain etc. for human consumption. Good farmland in a high and consistent rainfall area should be protected. Metropolitan population is expected to reach 3 million in the near future, creating more rubbish. Allawuna Farm and surrounds has abundant paleo water channels, flowing into the Mundaring Weir Water Catchment area. Fresh water is a precious and finite commodity and must be protected. The main access road to York, The Great Southern Highway, is extremely dangerous and is not suitable for the extra trucks and roadtrains this proposal will bring.

York is a historic tourist town, and is a popular destination for tourists, retiree's and growing young families, and is a lovely town to live, work and visit.

This proposed Landfill will not benefit York. I ask that the proposal not be accepted.

Yours sincerely,

SIGNATURE Valma Wheeler

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TO: SHIRE OF YORK,
P.O. Box 22,
YORK, W.A., 6302.

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Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

DATE 21/5/15

NAME: Tanya Marwick + Jeremy Marwick
ADDRESS: York 6302

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Yours sincerely,

SIGNATURE 

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P.O. Box 22,
YORK, W.A., 6302.

Re: SITA ALLAWUNA FARM LANDFILL.

DATE 23 May 2015

NAME: C. Simula
ADDRESS: [Redacted]

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DATE 18-5-2015

NAME: Ms EDNA BARRATT
ADDRESS: YORK WA. 6302

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E. Barratt

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- I strongly object to the proposed landfill for many reasons. I have been a York citizen all my life and our town will become a ghost town, affecting the tourism - of which many businesses in York depend on. It will not help employment opportunities as no one will want to commute on the already overburdened roads. The Wheatbelt + York + surrounding districts depend on the Chidlow/York Road to get to work, Drs, specialists etc. The amount of traffic on these roads is already dangerous - it will be worse if this landfill goes ahead.
- West of York rely on catchment and the water will be contaminated = not only for the neighbouring properties but for the whole of WA's catchment area eg. Mundaring + Cam. Dams. Fires in landfill are a regular occurrence and it will burn for months - this is in the middle of the forest + national parks - a disaster waiting to happen. With the inclusion of borrow pits now - more harm will be done to the environment.

Yours sincerely

NAME

ADDRESS

DATE

SIGNATURE

20-5-15
J & Lucey

- ROADS - ruined
- WATER - ruined
- TOURISM - ruined
- Unemployment greater because no-one will want to live or commute to York.

Due 25th May 2015

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We are situated approx 5 k's South of the proposed site. I am opposed to this due to extra traffic on the G.S and G.E Highway and risk of more accidents. And also the risk of leakage into the catchment system for drinking water. Once the site is being used no one can possibly see if anything is leaking.

Yours sincerely

NAME
ADDRESS
DATE
SIGNATURE

COLIN LUELF

Colin Luelf

YORK 6302.

(Postal)
Midland WA 6056

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Yours sincerely
NAME
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Richard Hines

25/5/15

WILL BE TAX PAYER
YORK SUBSIDISED.

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NUMBER	K.R.A
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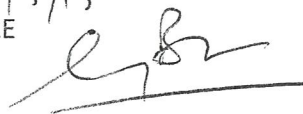
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Yours sincerely

NAME MYRNA BREWSTER
ADDRESS _____ YORK
DATE 7/5/15
SIGNATURE 

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Yours sincerely
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J BREWSTER YORK 6302
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Julene Brewster

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FILE	PS GEN. P10.3.1
OFFICER	KIRA
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25 MAY 2015	
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I drive that road regularly. I am very worried about the land being part of the water catchment of Perth.

Yours sincerely

NAME BARBARE LEWIS

ADDRESS - YORK WA 6302

DATE 7 MAY 2015

SIGNATURE *[Handwritten Signature]*

Due 25th May 2015

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OFFICER	KIRA
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25 MAY 2015	
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- I am a 5th generation farmer neighbouring this property and I am very concerned about the landfill. I strongly object to this proposal for numerous reasons:*
- Emissions to the environment & noise & dust & rubbish*
 - Water - we rely on catchment area for our farm & and rainwater for drinking. Our water will be poison*
 - ROADS - my family & I drive on this road constantly & it is a very bad stretch of road. more deaths will occur*
 - Land values will drop & I hope to be seeing more generations of my family able to survive & if landfill is put at Allawuna - our future is not looking good*
 - Dust, pollution, rubbish, the whole idea of a landfill in our clean & green farmlands is an disaster waiting to happen.*

Yours sincerely
 NAME GREGORY WILLIAM DAVIES
 ADDRESS _____
 DATE 20-5-15.
 SIGNATURE _____

GWD Davies

Underneath the rubbish the lines will deteriorate on the soil & the anaerobic bacteria will leech into the waterways, nothing will stop this as these lines will break down. Our water is precious resource - please DON'T CONTAMINATE

More recycling needs to be done. I think we will stop this as

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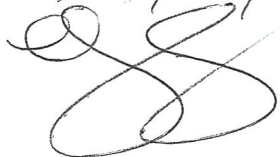
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Yours sincerely
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BECKY LINTO
23.5.15

York WA 6302

Due 25th May 2015

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Yours sincerely

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OFFICER	KIRA
INITIALS	
25 MAY 2015	
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EILEEN GLYNN

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Traffic is another by-product of this proposal — already horrendous it will be even more life threatening!

Yours sincerely
NAME
ADDRESS
DATE
SIGNATURE

Yvonne DDS
Y. DDS
MAY 2015
YORK

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My other areas of concern are:-

- Historic Value of York.
- Tourism - unattractive environment due to SITA
- Future Town, Regional Growth. - Decreased population. - unattractive environment.
- Land, House and Business Values. - decrease in value.
- Community Health and Well being - Asthma attacks. - Depression increase
- Crime and Safety. - depressed community - increase in crime
- Road Safety. - Road Sustainability - Road Accidents
- Air Safety - Dust - Odour
- Water Safety. - Pollution to all water sources.
- Aboriginal Significance.

Yours sincerely
NAME
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FELICITY RANGER

York 6302

25/5/15

Felicity Ranger

Due 25 May 2015

DTM

- Ecological wellbeing of surrounding areas.
- Water Catchment Areas.
- Proposed Landfill :: No Need, there are enough landfills around Perth.
- Breach of laws -
- Inappropriate Land Use.

I again, object to the proposed SITA Landfill.

Felicity Ranges; FELICITY RANGE

York 6302 WA.

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To The Commissioner James Best and the Shire of York,

RE: The SITA Allawuna Landfill Proposal Lots 9926, 4869, 5931 and 26934 Great Southern Highway, St. Ronan's, York.

I object to the proposed landfill at Allawuna by SITA Australia and believe that the proposal should not be permitted.

The proposal is against the principals of the Shire of York's Town Planning Scheme, which states under 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 and will only destroy valuable agricultural land.

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." The proposal does not meet the objectives of York's Community Strategic Plan which states, "Protect and Enhance our rural land and spaces" and has a priority to "Establish land use strategy to ensure rural and farming land is protected." Landfill does not enhance nor preserve and should not be placed in our agricultural areas, especially near important water sources.

The landfill will not benefit York in anyway, but has the potential to destroy our agriculture industry, our tourism and hospitality industries and valuable employment that these industries bring to York. I therefore ask that this proposal be rejected.

Yours sincerely

NAME Jess Marshall

ADDRESS

DATE 25/05/15

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Due 25th May 2015

Trevor A. Moffat

YORK 6302
Western Australia.

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25th May 2015.

The Shire of York
"Objection to Proposed Landfill at Allawuna Farm,
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We, Trevor Alexander and Beverley Joy Moffat of _____ wish to place our objection to the above proposal on the grounds of road safety. Over the past 20 years we have regularly travelled the Great Southern Highway and witnessed several accidents and many "near misses".

On one occasion we counted 13 B Double trucks between Allawuna and the junction of the Great Eastern Highway. Certainly the volume of traffic has increased noticeably since the closure of the Tier 3 Railway. To introduce three B Double combinations per hour, in each direction, as Sita stated at the first Public Meeting, is bound to dramatically increase the hazards.

The road, as it stands, appears unable to cope with the increased volume of traffic. The simple installations of a right hand turn and pick up lanes will not reduce the overall dangers.

Yours in concern,

Trevor A Moffat

B. J. Moffat

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YORK CONSERVATION RESOURCE CENTRE
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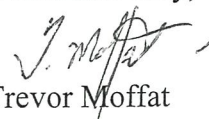
Dear Councilors,

On behalf of the River Conservation I wish to renew our objection to the above Proposal on the following grounds:

1. The likelihood of waste material or by product escaping into the waterways of the Avon and Swan Rivers via the Thirteen Mile Brook is not beyond the bounds of possibility. We say this because the area is known to locals as being susceptible to flash flooding when roads and fences have been washed away. A sudden down pour could easily cause a breach of any dams surround the proposed landfill.
2. The locality of the proposed Landfill is recognized as being in an area susceptible to earthquake activity. Two credible web sites which support this fault are www.seismicity.see.uwa.edu.au and www.perthnow.com.au
3. The water catchment area on the opposite side of the proposed site, to the Thirteen Mile Brook, is also of concern to the River Conservation Society.

We leave our objections with this information and express our willingness to cooperate with the Shire if requested.

Yours sincerely,


Trevor Moffat

(Chairman)

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York Shire Council
Joaquina St
York 6302

24 May 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

My family and I are regular tourists having visited York regularly for the past 25 years. It is with disbelief and dismay that we have learned about the proposed Allawuna Landfill Development Proposal. We wish to strongly object to this proposal.

Our family have debated this proposal regularly and our reasons against this proposal are as follows –

1. Road traffic safety – we personally know 2 people who have died on this road from the Lakes to York. If one was to view the road from a plane, you can see it is narrow and winds like a snake all the way to the York township. Overtaking is unwise with only a few overtaking lanes to assist the driver. Impatient drivers and motor cyclists bank up on busy weekends and we have witnessed many near misses. The road is often under repairs and has been patched up in sections but not enlarged sufficiently to cater for the current volume of traffic. The proposed dump of Perth's waste via trucks entering and exiting and travelling this insufficient road will definitely increase the dangers of travelling to and from York. The road is not safe.
2. On researching the importance of the Avon catchment to Perth and York's water supply and beyond, it is evident that any risk whatsoever through the dangers of toxic contamination would be an environmental disaster. Disaster to future generations of people and wildlife.
3. As tourists, enjoying the fantastically beautiful landscape, the gorgeous farmlands with its ever changing crops, the breathtaking birdlife and friendly York folk, we would hate to see it all put to risk or destroyed. York Council has indeed a solemn duty in protecting it all.

Yours sincerely



Narelle Tonz

On behalf of the Tonz family

The Shire of York
P O. Box 22
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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.

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I oppose the above named landfill proceeding for the reasons outlined in this submission.
First, let me point out:

In the State Administrative Tribunal summary of reasons for the decision on the 10th April to approve the amendment, Senior Member Peter McNab states: *“And, of course the proposed use does not change.”* and also: *“the conclusion is that the essence of the proposal remains unchanged.”*

For these reasons I consider that nothing has substantially changed that would require me to amend my original submission against the proposal. I believe that my original submission is still valid and to this end I am re-submitting my original document along with this statement, signed and dated to reflect my objection to the amended proposal.

As a coach driver, now retired, the company for which I drove tag axle buses would always advise first time drivers who were taking their passengers on a Wave Rock tour that the road between the Lakes to York had a very unusual affect on the coach. Therefore, we were to observe certain behaviours on steering between 10 km from the Lakes and approximately 12 km from York on return trips. While I'm not claiming to be a Main Road's engineer, the problems were left to right drag, wrong camber and a tendency to pull the coach to the opposite side of the road if not very careful.

Having been a passenger in a B double carrying hay, this proved to be the same situation.

**The Lakes to York – an Australian icon favoured motor cycle ride
in Motor Magazines and a regular vintage car route**

This applies not only to weekend but mid-week touring. There already are grain trucks, BGC road trains in the first 5 km, B double straw/hay cartage trucks, Macky tucks 7 day export to Asia, 3 regular coaches per day, West Government road coaches, fly-in / fly-out drivers on The Lakes to York road. Then add to the mix that Gt Southern Highway is not a highway but a very low grade winding road, and you have a potentially very risky situation if the high number of additional road trains and traffic created by SITA are added. In my opinion, this would not be good, and would require the construction of a separate, straight, new road from The Lakes to the proposed site on Allawuna Farm.

Ian James Hepton



24 May, 2015

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York Shire Council
Joaquina St
York 6302

24 May 2015

Dear Sir/Madam

I wish to strongly protest against the proposed Allawuna Landfill Development Proposal which is planned to be located in the York Shire.

The following are my reasons and opinions for my objections—

1. Water quality - York contains the Avon River catchment areas and is a vital contributor of drinking water to Perth and York and extended areas. As the rubbish will be toxic waste and is part of an extremely toxic industry, the toxic effects on Perth and York's water supply would be disastrous. The health and wellbeing of present and many future generations will be at risk.
2. In addition, the potential toxic water supplies which feeds farmlands, crops, wildlife and stock - will also be put at serious and irrecoverable risk.
3. Road/traffic concerns – The York/Lakes road is a windy narrow road with several overtaking lanes. It is a very dangerous road to drive as is evident by the sad crosses placed in memory of those many people lost in car accidents on this road. The additional traffic with the transport of the waste to and from the site on a daily basis over 20 years, would exacerbate an already overcrowded inadequate and highly dangerous road.
4. The future food production for our expanding state will be put in jeopardy with the toxic landfills leaching poison through the underground and above ground waterways.
5. The beauty and existence of our current landscape and birdlife will suffer because of the ripple effects of poisons on their foodchain. The district could end up bereft of species of wildlife and see the extinction of some species.

Yours sincerely



Helen Johns

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The proposal by SITA Australia Pty Limited – Allawuna Landfill

Hi my name is Michelle Bateman a local Aboriginal Noongar women. As I have grown up in the Avon valley and been taught by my parents and grandparents about the land on which we live and respect the culture of our ancestor before us. The traditional Aboriginals live and gathered food and travelled with their families settling throughout this beautiful land. The fresh water which flows in abundance near sacred site were the Noongar people shared the land and told their stories about the Wargal snake that belongs to the creeks and rivers. As a child we are taught of the beauty of the land and how rich the soil is and the diverse of nature's iconic animals and fauna over this land. We have many species which include Birds, Snakes, Kangaroos, Echidnas and many more that wonder this land and endless varieties of fauna. There is life in the creeks as it flows through the Avon Valley. There are also breeding habitats for a number of species that feed and have a connection to the land.

My whole life has been an Educational journey about this land on which I live. Respect goes along way and to keep our culture and the spirit of our land that flows through our is the same as the ANZAC that have fought for a better and safer place to live.

Why don't you start to fill in the quarry were the land the land has been excavated at such great mass of holes where so much dirt have been dug out because of hungry vultures like yourself that want to come onto York and destroy the beautiful of this Historic and oldest inland tourist town on this state of ours.

People lives are valuable and the large trucks are already causing for concern. Think wisely.

Name Michelle Bateman

Signature *M Bateman*

Address _____ York IC. 6302