

## Willowbank Quarry – Community Liaison Group Meeting

2 December 2024 – 10.00am

Willowbank Quarry

### MINUTES

#### Opening Karakia

**Present:** Paul Nation, Shane Hagai, John Spence, Mark Turner, Koa Martel, Diane Strugnell, Jordan White, Ruan VanDeventer

**Apologies:** Katie Christison (GWRC), Sharli Jo (online)

#### Previous AP's (Chair - John)

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#### Update on work completed and proposed at quarry since last meeting

As per Fulton Hogan PP Presentation

Extended discussion on the quarry and the SH58, especially truck movements in and out of the quarry

- Cameras have been installed at the intersection to monitor truck movements in and out of the quarry. Note that the cameras can pick up truck entry and exit movements, and traffic movements using SH58
- Heavy vehicle movements to and from the quarry shall not exceed 500 trucks per day (i.e. 250 entry movements and 250 exit movements). This shall be monitored, and the data shall be summarised monthly and provided to the Council's Compliance Monitoring Officer. The monitoring shall include a breakdown of hourly truck arrivals and departures to ascertain compliance with Conditions 58 and 59.

*58. Prior to completion of the Stage 2B State Highway 58 upgrade, heavy vehicle movements shall not exceed the limits set out in Table 5, in conjunction with the following additional operating limits:*

*a. The maximum number of right turn entry movements from the RTB and/or left turn exit movements will subsequently be reduced to 20 per hour during those periods/hours in which any of the following exceedances have been observed:*

*i. Once the westbound State Highway volumes typically exceed an average of 1,300 vehicles per hour (Monday to Thursday) for any calendar month; or*

*ii. a recorded average truck turning delay of 120 seconds or more for the 85th percentile peak hour of westbound traffic activity on SH58 during the monitoring period.*

*b. Subject to agreement with both Waka Kotahi and Council, the monitoring proposed (under Conditions 67-69) will enable these thresholds to be reviewed based on observations of truck gap-acceptance behaviour and any effects upon through westbound vehicle movements*

*c. Queues waiting in the right turn bay to enter the quarry shall be no more than the 50m storage length of the right turn bay.*

*d. The average delay of turning vehicles waiting in the right turn bay to enter the quarry and turning left exiting the site shall be no greater than 120 seconds.*

- This is the issue that most concerns the neighbours and residents when the quarry opens and the truck movements in and out of the quarry commence as residents use the quarry intersection during peak times to turnaround.
- Meeting attendees asked if there was a method of noting any traffic 'incidents' around the intersection and if the traffic monitoring could be displayed on the FH website. This is displayed in the PCC Annual Report and reported monthly to PCC as per the TMP.
- This would provide reassurance to the community.
- Shane noted that the required safety audit was due to be completed shortly
- SH58 itself had been widened with new chip seal and line markings. This made the intersection a lot wider with a better line of sight along the highway

### **Complaints**

- Nil complaints received since the last meeting

### **Planned activities - next 3 months**

As per presentation

### **General business**

Quarry operating and public open day

- The quarry is scheduled to commence operations around January 2025
- Diane asked if it is possible to put something out to residents and neighbours when the quarry commences operations - especially when truck movements commence
- Shane advised that a public open day would require planning and if held would be after the quarry commences operations – possibly mid-February at the earliest

### **Next meeting date**

To be confirmed – March or April 2025