

Willowbank Quarry
Community Liaison Group Meeting
15 September 2025 – 10.00am

MINUTES

Opening Karakia

Present: Shane Hagai, John Spence, Mark Turner, Diane Strugnell, Ruan VanDeventer, Elizabeth Werner, Daren Courtnage, Aaron Miller

Apologies: Paul Nation, Koa Martel

Previous Action Points: None

Update on Work Completed and Proposed at Quarry Since Last Meeting

- As presented by Fulton Hogan (refer to presentation uploaded to the website)

Complaints

- One complaint received regarding truck noise (engine braking) – resolved.

Trial and Quarry Blasting (carried on from the last meeting)

Over the next 2 months the blasting monitoring plinth will be concreted into place. This is located at Manuka corner and will allow monitoring to be completed as per consent requirements.

Following on from the Monitoring plinth, trial blasting will be required as per consent conditions, but only once suitable (hard) rock is unearthed.

Once the trial blasts have been completed and the results assessed to prove blasting designs sit within our design parameters, production blasting will be undertaken.

Currently, no suitable rock has been unearthed for the trials, as such, a time factor cannot be used.

Drivers for suitable trial/production blasting are:

- Stripping of overburden (seasonally driven)
- Sales volumes of soft rock (market driven)

Notice will be given to the CLG once we know Trial blasting rock has been made available.

General Business

Open Day

- Discussion on holding an open day. Agreed that mid-November would be a suitable date on a Saturday from 3.00pm to 5.00pm. Shane and the FH team will work on planning this and keep in touch with the chair of the CLG

Emergency Communications – Diane Strugnell

- *Given the quarry's location and elevation, PRA is interested in involving quarry management in future discussions to determine if they can play a role in disaster or regional emergency situations. **Still working on this issue***

The meeting concluded at 10:30 am.

Next Meeting Date: To be confirmed – Jan/Feb 2026