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Sent: Tuesday, 24 January 2017 6:23 PM
To: Victoria Read <victoria@victoriaread.co.nz>
Subject: For Martinborough community board. Martinborough transfer station out of control

Dear Vicky,

Below is a copy of the letter I have sent to the SWDC CEO outlining my concerns in relation to the Martinborough transfer station. As appropriate I hope the community board is able to help resolve this current situation as well as putting in a permanent monitoring system of the relevant contractor. I would be interested in hearing other members of our community views on this topic through your forum if appropriate.

Kind regards

Dean

Dear Paul,

After informing the council of the poor standard of the tip prior to Christmas it was disheartening to visit yet again yesterday to see that it has degraded even further. The attached photo hardly demonstrates the true nature of the problem. Yesterday I sat in a line of 11 vehicles waiting to use the weigh bridge. This is simply because at that stage only 2 vehicles with a trailer could effectively use the area to turn and drop off, normally you could fit 5.

The steel recycling is out of control and has been for a very long time, glass is all over the recycling area from where it has spilled over when the bins were full at Christmas. The garbage is now mixing in with the steel recycling due to the overflowing nature of the tip face.

Earthcare only have one trained digger / kiosk operator on site and he can't do both jobs at once.

It is so frustrating to hear council staff say over the phone that they thought the problem was fixed. I hope this was just an off the cuff remark and not a reflection of council policies to manage contracts.

Neither Christmas nor mechanical breakdowns are new to any business operating in a competitive environment and should be planned for.

It has always been my understanding that the council is there for the benefit of the ratepayers and not to make lame excuses for the contractors.

I ask that you, the services manager and earthcare meet onsite and resolve this immediately.

As a building contracting company owner, work safe has drummed into my industry the importance of monitoring risk and eliminating / mitigating it. In high winds the potential for steel to blow off and damage property or injure someone on the tip face is now unacceptable

and must be addressed immediately.

If earthcare can't fix it, contract someone else temporarily who can and charge earthcare. Contracting out services does not mitigate the councils responsibility to provide them. It only places a higher threshold on managers to ensure proper performance. Clearly your staff have failed at this and is a poor reflection of them.

I look forward to your response.

Kind regards
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Sent from my iPad

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From: Mark Hadlow [mailto:markhadlow@me.com]

Sent: Wednesday, 25 January 2017 5:44 PM

To: the.mayor@swdc.govt.nz; brian.jephson@swdc.govt.nz; margaret.craig@swdc.govt.nz; paora.ammunson@swdc.govt.nz; colin.wright@swdc.govt.nz; pip.maynard@swdc.govt.nz; pam.colenso@swdc.govt.nz; dayle.harwood@swdc.govt.nz; colin.olds@swdc.govt.nz; lee.carter@swdc.govt.nz; phillip@perceptionplanning.co.nz; Victoria Read <victoria@victoriaread.co.nz>; afbeattie@xtra.co.nz; maree.greenfrog@gmail.com; martinboroughlisa@cornelissen.co.nz
Subject: Martinborough Wine Storage Facility

To Whom It may Concern.

We would like to add our voice to the discussion around the proposed new MWS facility on the corner of Strasbourge and Ohio Streets.

We feel it would detract from the existing buildings in and around the square. There are some fantastic new businesses which have opened in the square in the past year which have really added to the ambiance and charm of Martinborough.

We have only been here four years but chose to live here as we love the buildings, the community and the "village" aspect. Another concrete building in the centre of the town would detract from that, especially when we hear so many people would love to move here but with the extreme shortage of residential properties for sale they cannot.

Yes the town is famous for the wine industry, but there are many other factors at play here. The fact that the Town Hall building has been retained is fantastic and to add to this historic preservation and the plan to erect a concrete edifice on the surrounds of the square completely nullifies the decision.

Yours faithfully,
Mark and Jane Hadlow