


4. ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY OWAKA ROAD HARDFILL SITE



For some time the Community Board has been concerned with management and compliance issues concerning the Owaka Road pit.

This Board has made deputations to the joint Christchurch City Council/Environment Canterbury Committee, and has also taken members on an on-site inspection.

The most recent meeting of the Joint Committee (14 February 2001) received a report on the issues raised and resolved that Environment Canterbury staff provide a presentation on Owaka Pit to the Riccarton/Wigram Community Board.

James Tricker, a compliance monitoring officer with Environment Canterbury, was in attendance. A full discussion took place. The dumping of waste from the ex by-products operations on the Haytons Road site into the Owaka Pit was also discussed.

The overarching discussion point was that hardfull sites were still in operation throughout Canterbury, and were in many cases sited over major aquifers which supplied water to Christchurch.

The Board **agreed** to seek a report on the Haytons Road waste, and this will be considered by the Board's Environmental Committee at its April meeting.