

6. CERTIFICATION OF WASTE SENT TO KATE VALLEY LANDFILL

General Manager responsible:	General Manager City Environment
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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. To recommend that the Council formally certifies that the City's residual waste that will be sent to Kate Valley landfill from 1 June 2005 will comply with resource consent conditions for waste acceptance at Kate Valley landfill.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. On 11 April 2005 the Canterbury Waste Subcommittee considered a report on *Certification of Waste to Kate Valley*, and it recommended that all participating territorial authorities adopt the same wording for certification of residual waste sent to Kate Valley landfill which opens for business on 1 June 2005. This step is required by Transwaste Canterbury Ltd the owners of Kate Valley landfill in terms of the resource consents it holds for the landfill. No waste can be accepted at Kate Valley unless the certification has been provided. Legal advice indicates that the certification should be done annually.
3. The proposed certification reads as follow:
 1. *The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that it has adopted and implemented a Waste Management Plan in terms of section 539(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1974, which incorporates provision for the collection and reduction, re-use, recycling, recovery, treatment or disposal of waste in Christchurch in terms of section 539(2)(a) of the Local Government Act (or any substitute Act); and that*
 2. *The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that it is regularly monitoring its own progress in the implementation of that Plan; and that*
 3. *The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that any relevant requirements of the Plan have been implemented with respect to that waste and that the disposal of the waste is consistent with any policy or policies embodied in such a Plan.*

BACKGROUND

4. The Council's *Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan 2003 (Part 1)* sets out the vision, goals and targets for solid waste management in the city. The way in which to achieve the targets set out in Part 1 is contained in Part 2, the Action Plan of the *Solid and Hazardous Waste Management Plan*, adopted by the Council in August 2004. Therefore Parts 1 and 2 of the Plan incorporate provisions for the collection and reduction, re-use, recycling, recovery, treatment or disposal of waste in terms of section 539(2)(a) of the Local Government Act 1974. Provision is also made in the Plan for the monitoring of progress towards achieving the targets of the Plan.
5. Various programmes and actions for reducing, reusing, recycling, and recovering resources from waste as set out in the Council's Waste Management Plan are currently in place. New Council approved programmes, such as the current trial for the kerbside collection of household organic waste, can be added from time to time through the relevant political process (ie through the Council's LTCCP or Annual Plan). Both Parts 1 and 2 are reviewed and updated at regular intervals.
6. The Council is therefore in a position to confirm the contents of the required certification. While the Recovered Materials Foundation is scheduled to take over the management of the city's three refuse stations from which waste will be transported to Kate Valley, the Council as territorial authority remains the party to provide the certification to Transwaste. It is recommended that the Solid Waste Manager be authorised to provide the certification on behalf of the Council.

LEGAL AND FINANCIAL REQUIREMENTS

7. See background above. There are no additional legal or financial requirements.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS

1. That the Council certifies to Transwaste Canterbury Ltd as follows:
 - (a) The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that it has adopted and implemented a Waste Management Plan in terms of section 539(1)(a) of the Local Government Act 1974, which incorporates provision for the collection and reduction, re-use, recycling, recovery, treatment or disposal of waste in Christchurch in terms of section 539(2)(a) of the Local Government Act (or any substitute Act); and that
 - (b) The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that it is regularly monitoring its own progress in the implementation of that Plan; and that
 - (c) The Christchurch City Council certifies to Transwaste that any relevant requirements of the Plan have been implemented with respect to that waste and that the disposal of the waste is consistent with any policy or policies embodied in such a Plan.
2. That the Solid Waste Manager be authorised to sign the certification.