

**CON520: SUBMISSION ON
RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION**
(SECTION 96 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991)

TO: Consents Hearings
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FILE: CRC192408, CRC192409, CRC192410,
CRC192411, CRC192412, CRC192413,
CRC192414, RC185627

Closing Date: **5.00pm Thursday 6 June 2019**

OR: submit by completing an on-line form at:

<https://www.ecan.govt.nz/do-it-online/resource-consents/notifications-and-submissions/notified-consents/>

Person(s) /Group /Organisation Making the Submission

Full Name of Submitter(s):

George + Cerys Hewison

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Contact
Person:

Cerys Hewison

Name of applicant: Fulton Hogan Limited

Applications to Environment Canterbury



All of the applications as listed below OR only those as ticked.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192408 | Land use to excavate material |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC182409 | Land use to deposit cleanfill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192410 | Discharge contaminants into air |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192411 | Discharge contaminants into water from industrial processes |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192412 | Discharge stormwater into land |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192413 | Discharge contaminants into land associated with deposition of cleanfill |
| <input type="checkbox"/> | CRC192414 | Water permit |

☐ I / We support the application

☒ I / We oppose the application

☐ I / We are neutral to the application
(neither support or oppose)



I / We **do** wish to be heard in support of my/our submission*

(Note: this means you wish to speak in support of your submission at the hearing)

*If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing ☒ Yes ☐ No

OR



I / We **do not** wish to be heard in support of my/our submission

(Note: this means that you cannot speak at the hearing, however you will retain your right to appeal any decision to the Environment Court on any decision made by the Council.)

Application to Selwyn District Council

☒ RC185627 Land use for gravel extraction and processes

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2. The reasons for making my submission are: *(state in summary the nature of your submission, giving reasons)*

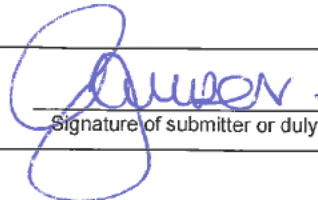
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Please attach additional pages if required

3. I wish the consent authority to make the following decision: *(give details, including the general nature of any conditions sought)*

please see attached

5. ☐ I/We am / am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991.
I/We am / am not directly affected by an effect of the subject matter of the submission that (a) adversely affects the environment; and (b) does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.


Signature of submitter or duly authorised agent on behalf of submitter

Date 28 / 5 / 19

Notes to the submitter:

1. The person making this submission must send a copy to the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after serving Environment Canterbury
2. A list of all submissions received will be provided to the applicant.
3. Please be aware that third parties may request a copy of submissions received and that request is subject to the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987.

The address for service of the applicant is:

Fulton Hogan Limited
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Attn: Kevin Bligh / Geoff England

cc Email: submissions@golder.co.nz

2. The reasons for making my submission are:

HISTORY

Templeton village was one of the first parts of the Canterbury plains to be settled. Back in the 1850's a number of farmers and their families settled in the district and over time the area first named Waterholes, was then changed to Templeton. This was due to a land holder by the name of Edward Templer, who in 1863, set aside land for a school and in 1867 donated land to the Church of England.

In November 1863, the then Templeton Hotel was opened, generally known as "The George and Dragon" back then— this is now known as "The Swamp" or the Islington Tavern", still a fond local for Templeton residents.

Templeton has grown over the years with different stages of building staggered over the years and now our little village will not grow much more. People come to Templeton for the quiet lifestyle, green boundary and its proximity to Christchurch. On a clear night, you can see the stars and breathe the fresh air.

My husband and I moved to Templeton in 1980, building our first home in Riwai Street. We then moved [REDACTED] and have been there since 2000.

My grandparents lived in Kopara Street for many years prior to us moving out to Templeton and my husband and I knew that this would be a wonderful place to bring up our children and live a quiet life into our retirement.

Now that we have a proposed Quarry on our back doorstep, that dream has been shattered. We feel sick about this monstrosity being so close to our slice of heaven. There is going to be an economic effect to this situation, less residents coming into the area, lower house prices, less economic growth. Never in our wildest dreams, did we expect this to happen. We are so frightened for the future of our lovely Village

DUST

Where do I start?

Every day on the News, we hear about environmental impacts on our land and how are we going to minimise this or stop it from happening. Here's the perfect opportunity to stop a catastrophe from happening in our back yard.

The Dust problem that this quarry is going to create is a very worrying problem. How can I hang my washing out on a clear summer's day? - there won't be clear

summers days any more, the dust from the mining of the quarry will be a constant thing. What is Fulton Hogan going to do to guarantee that I can hang my washing out and not have to use a dryer (which we can't afford anyway) and not have to re-wash our clothes because of the dust.

My husband and I are nearly at retirement age and are worried about the impact on our health and quality of life, how are we going to enjoy outdoor life, BBQ s with the family and our beautiful garden. This dust will destroy a garden that has taken us years to perfect and the enjoyment of working in it will stop! I believe that the dust will kill off the good insects and enable the damaging insects to multiply and make the Templeton district look like a ghost town.

We have the notorious Nor-West winds over the Canterbury plains and on particularly windy days, we have a dust problem – WITHOUT A QUARRY. How are Fulton Hogan going to minimise the impact of this. They say they are going to have sprinklers going around the boundary but where is the water coming from? We always get water restrictions in the summer months, what is going to change – surely Fulton Hogan will have to abide by these restrictions as we do.

I understand that there will be holding ponds of water near the boundary of the area. What are Fulton Hogan's guarantees that we won't then have a mosquito problem particularly in the summer – stagnant ponds attract mosquitoes and other nuisance insects

VIBRATION

This is probably the most disturbing effect the quarry is going to have on all its residents. I understand that the hours that the quarry is going to be working is both weekends, public holidays and at some point, 24/7 operations.

Have you ever heard a tap dripping? Or a rattle in the car that you can't find the cause, it's like Chinese torture, but you don't have to put up with these things 24/7, but that is exactly what we are going to have to endure with the vibration of the machinery. GOD HELP US ALL. With sleep disturbance, this is going to equate to a mental illness catastrophe.

The other point I would like to bring up, is how can Fulton Hogan guarantee, that the vibration from their machinery will not unsettle any underlying damage that was done during the two major earthquakes that we have had. How do they know what's under the surface, what further vibration will do to compound any damage?

BUNDING

I hadn't heard of this term before, but I understand that these are the raised earth piles that surround the perimeter of the quarry. We had a meeting at the beginning of this week and Fulton and Hogan had supplied beautiful pictures of what the bunding are going to look like. I was shocked to see that they are going to use non-native trees, such as conifers to plant on the top and around the bunding.

The New Zealand government have spent millions of dollars trying to eradicate pine trees throughout our beautiful country because they are not natives, why are Fulton Hogan planting these??

Where is all the soil coming from to create this bunding? I know they will probably use some of the topsoil that they will remove from the quarry itself, but I believe that this will not be enough. What is their assurance that the imported soil is clean! Also how are they going to compact the bunding? More vibration!!

TRANSPORT/TRAFFIC

Again, another major impact for our community. Already we have an issue with truck and trailer units coming through our village, and not all at the legal speed limit I must add. These trucks are often uncovered and create their own dust issue. These trucks are not all Fulton Hogan's however with the predicted 1500 trucks per day, once the quarry is up and running, through or near our village is totally unacceptable. If it is an economic issue with the companies needing to minimise the distance these trucks need to travel, then why on earth are Fulton Hogan even considering the concept of a quarry on the back door of a community, that doesn't even have adequate enough roads for the general public to travel on.

We have a school, pre-school, kindergarten, after school programme, public swimming pool, community centre, doctors' rooms and various other businesses that generate a lot of pedestrian traffic. The impact of large trucks through the centre of our village is disturbing. You can't even stand on the side of the road and talk with your neighbour because of the noise that these trucks generate. I'm very concerned with the safety of our children, walking across the road, cycling to and from school.

3. I wish the consent authority to make the following decision.

I ask that the application be refused, however should consent be granted, I respectfully request these conditions be considered.

- All trucks to be covered. This will help keep the dust down and eliminate any spillage.
- No quarry truck traffic to be allowed to use Jones Road/Railway Terrace at any time in either direction. - Reason, Templeton roads are not suited to this type of heavy traffic, as outlined in my submission.
- Some sort of netting or cover over the holding ponds to stop any mosquito problem, also regular spraying to keep this problem at bay. I want this because of obvious annoyance and discomfort over the summer months, that will make our lives unbearable otherwise.
- Native trees to be planted instead of conifers. They will certainly look better and better for our region.
- Hours of operation reduced. Fulton Hogan can't expect the community to put up with all this interference 24/7. Our quality of life is the most important thing.
- I ask that the minimum set back distance of 500 metres from the boundary of the quarry land to any residential property. Reason, this will certainly help with any dust, vibration and any other detrimental effect this quarry is going to have.
- I want a 3 monthly audit completed by an independent body, along with a Templeton Resident Association Member, to ensure that Fulton Hogan are abiding by any agreement that is made in terms of conditions. (Fulton and Hogan have agreed to this condition on other quarry sites. Such inspections will encourage compliance)
- All imported soil to be cleaned prior to being used for the bunding. The reason for this, is that if it is not cleaned, then they could import noxious weeds that we currently don't have in the Templeton area.

IN CONCLUSION, THIS PROPOSED QUARRY IS GOING TO DESTROY OUR SENSE OF PLACE. THE VILLAGE OF TEMPLETON IS PART OF OUR IDENTITY AND I DON'T WANT TO LOSE THIS BECAUSE A HUGE CORPORATE COMPANY WANTS TO DESTROY THE LANDSCAPE AND MAKE A FORTUNE IN DOING SO. I DO KNOW THERE IS A NEED FOR AGGREGATES FOR THE GROWTH OF THE GREATER CHRISTCHURCH REGION, BUT WHY WOULD THIS BE PROPOSED SO CLOSE TO A WELL-ESTABLISHED CLOSE COMMUNITY LIKE TEMPLETON.

GLENYS AND GEORGE HEWISON