CON520: SUBMISSION ON
RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATION
(SECTION 95 RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991)

TO: Consents Hearings
Environment Canterbury
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OR: submit by completing an on-line form at:

Closing Date: 5.00pm Thursday 6 June 2019

PERSON(S) / ORGANISATION MAKING THE SUBMISSION

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NAME OF APPLICANT: Fulton Hogan Limited

APPLICATIONS TO ENVIRONMENT CANTERBURY

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

[ ] CRC192408 Land use to excavate material
[ ] CRC192409 Land use to deposit cleanfill
[ ] CRC192410 Discharge contaminants into air
[ ] CRC192411 Discharge contaminants into water from industrial processes
[ ] CRC192412 Discharge stormwater into land
[ ] CRC192413 Discharge contaminants into land associated with deposition of cleanfill
[ ] 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)

Please refer attached letter

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 refer attached letter
5. (Please check one)

☐ I am not a trade competitor for the purposes of section 308B of the Resource Management Act 1991. I 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.

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Signature of submitter or duly authorised agent on behalf of submitter

Date 5/6/19

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 and Meetings Act 1987.
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:
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PO Box 2281
Christchurch 8041
Attn: Kevin Bligh / Geoff England

Email: submissions@golder.co.nz
Re: PROPSOED FULTON HOGAN TEMPLETON QUARRY

To whom it may concern,

I write to oppose the proposed Fulton Hogan quarry near Templeton.

My reasons for making this submission are as follows:

- I am a resident of nearby Newtons Road. My wife and I have lived here for over ten years. Our children are now nine and seven. We returned from overseas to enjoy a quiet semi-rural lifestyle. Our children attend the quiet rural school, Weedons School.

- The Templeton Township is a historic settlement that should be allowed to continue as a quiet environment. The surrounding areas have historic significance, particularly the Weedons Cricket Club. The quiet environment, clear night sky, fresh air and beautiful environment should not be allowed to be destroyed by the establishment of a quarry. A quarry nearby would destroy the amenity of the area.

- For twelve years I worked in the Lloyd’s of London insurance market. Much of my work was associated with insurance claims from industrial health risks such as asbestos. I remain concerned that the dismissal by industry in the past of the risks of asbestos is strikingly similar to current dismissals involving the risks of silica. On 30 May 2019 Australian law firm Slater Gordon launched a national class action for those who have been diagnosed with silicosis and other related respiratory illnesses. It was reported by the Australian Guardian newspaper on 30 May 2019 that at least 135 stonemasons have been diagnosed with silicosis in Victoria and Queensland alone. Since 2001 Worksafe Victoria has had 60 claims including six fatalities. The newspaper also reports that authorities are bracing for a health crisis that could be worse than asbestos. I am concerned for the cumulative health effects on the community as well as the employees and contractors involved. I fear that these well documented health effects fly in the face of the supposed science that is promoted by quarrying companies. The risks of silica are well documented and real. It is therefore outrageous that a quarry is proposed so close to a long established residential area, particularly one that includes a large primary school.
school and facilities for some of society’s most vulnerable residents (Brackenridge and Nova).

- For most of our time in the area I have chaired the local Roman Catholic Parish Pastoral Council. This has at times been Hornby or the Hornby-Darfield Parish. It included St Brendan’s Catholic Church in Kirk Road that was damaged in the 2010-11 Earthquakes and subsequently demolished and not replaced. The parish also has an interest in the ecumenical Church of the Holy Family in Kirk Road. The parish has suffered and parishioners have suffered since the earthquake. We remain concerned by the accumulation of disruption to their lives and psycho-social effects. We stand with the Samadhi Buddhist Vihara at 358 Maddisons Road who oppose this quarry. Especially since recent terrorism events, society must be sensitive to our minority groups that provide so much richness to our community. A noisy quarry opposite a peaceful meditation centre that was established in 2002 is offensive on so many levels. I am told this Buddhist community has planted 1000 trees in a meditative garden.

- On 26 May 2019 it was reported in the Christchurch Press that Templeton is to be the site of a new major sports hub and cemetery. Both these facilities fit neatly into the fabric of the Templeton community. It makes no sense that either of these facilities should be allowed to have a quarry as a neighbour. It is a disgrace that a locally based corporate like Fulton Hogan expects our departed residents to be able to “Rest in Peace” with a noisy quarry nearby. It will be equally as offensive to the bereaved families to be expected to bury and mourn in such a defiled environment. It is equally inappropriate to have a quarry next to a major sports hub.

- For nine years, including six a chair, I was on the board of the St John of God Hauora Trust. We had a very close association with Brackenridge and the Nova Trust. I am concerned with the effects of a quarry so close to some of our society’s most vulnerable. These include effects such as increased traffic, congestion, accumulation of dust, environmental and cultural effects, annoyance, potential water contamination and resources, noise, vibrations, visual impacts, psychological wellbeing, sleep disturbance, and general amenity.

- As at least a sixth generation Cantabrian, I fail to understand how quarrying cannot be sited away from long established and densely populated areas such as Templeton. Areas such as McLeans Island, that have few residential areas and long established quarries, are much more suitable for further quarries.

- I remain concerned for the increased traffic movements that would result from the proposed quarry. The areas already contains some of the most dangerous intersections in the country. I understand that an assessment for a roundabout at the State Highway 1 / Dawsons Road has not been completed as part of the application.
I am concerned for the ground water and the water required to run a quarry to a suitable standard required in modern times. I understand that Fulton Hogan would require significant water use which is not current consented.

The decision I wish the consent authority to make is to **decline** the application for the Fulton Hogan Quarry near Templeton. This area is totally unsuitable for use as a quarry.

I trust you find this in good order. Please contact me should you require further information.

Sincerely,

Bevan Killick