

Please attach additional sheets if there is not enough space for your submissions. If you do not wish to use this form, please ensure that the same information required by this form is covered in your submission.

2 This is a submission on an application from (name, address & activity) –

3831 Cambridge Road managed fill consent

3 Trade competition

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

4 Attendance at Council hearing

Select one	☒ I do	wish to be heard (attend and speak at the Council hearing) in support of my submission
	☐ I do not	

If others make a similar submission, I will consider presenting a joint case with them at the hearing.

☐ Yes
☐ No

5 The specific parts of the application that my submission relates to are:

I oppose the application in its current form, particularly:

- The proposed duration of up to 20 years.
- The proposed scale of the managed fill operation.
- The adequacy of the proposed dust suppression and monitoring measures.
- The potential effects on neighbouring residents from dust, noise and vibration.
- The uncertainty around long-term groundwater and surface water protection once the site has closed.
- The lack of confidence that proposed mitigation measures will adequately protect neighbouring residents based on the operation of the existing site.

6 My submission is either in part or all:

☐ In support

☒ Opposed

☐ Neutral

The reasons for my submission are:

Please see schedule 1 attached within this document.

7 I seek the following decision from the consent authority:

(Give precise details, including the parts of the application you wish to have amended and the general nature of any conditions sought)

Please see schedule 2 attached within this document.

- A review condition allowing Council to strengthen consent conditions if dust, vibration, noise or water quality impacts exceed those predicted.
- A dedicated community liaison process with mandatory response timeframes for complaints.

8 Hearings Commissioners

Select one	☒	I request	that you delegate your functions, powers, and duties to hear and decide the application to one or more hearings commissioners who are not members of the local authority.
	☐	I do not request	

9 Signature of submitter *(note: a signature is not required if you make your submission by electronic means, however please type your name below)*

Name and Signature of submitter:
(or person authorised to sign on behalf of submitter)



Dated 26/06/2026

Notes to submitter

The closing date for serving submissions on the consent authority is the 20th working day after the date on which public or limited notification is given. If the application is subject to limited notification, the consent authority may adopt an earlier closing date for submissions once the consent authority receives responses from all affected persons.

If you are a trade competitor, your right to make a submission may be limited by the trade competition provisions in Part 11A of the Resource Management Act 1991.

You must serve a copy of your submission on the applicant as soon as reasonably practicable after you have served your submission on the consent authority.

If you make a request under section 100A of the Resource Management Act 1991, you must do so in writing no later than 5 working days after the close of submissions and you may be liable to meet or contribute to the costs of the hearings commissioner or commissioners.

Schedule 1: Reasons for my submission

I oppose the application in its current form.

My family and I live close to the proposed managed fill site and intend to remain living here for many years while raising our young family. I appreciate that some form of rehabilitation or filling of the quarry may be necessary once quarrying activities are complete. My submission is not based on opposition to rehabilitation itself. Rather, I am concerned about the scale, duration and management of this proposal, and whether it adequately protects the health, wellbeing and amenity of neighbouring residents.

Dust

Dust is my greatest concern.

Despite discussions with ResourceCo regarding dust management, our experience has been that dust remains a significant issue. Dust regularly settles on our home, outdoor living areas, swimming pool and vehicles. Cars left outside become dirty within a short period of time and our house requires frequent cleaning due to dust settling on surfaces. We have photographs and video footage showing dust leaving the site and affecting neighbouring properties.

The applicant acknowledges that complaints have previously been received regarding dust emissions from the site, which reinforces that this is an existing issue rather than simply a potential future effect. While my family has experienced respiratory illnesses over the past year, I am not suggesting these illnesses were caused by the site. However, ongoing airborne dust is an additional concern that has the potential to affect respiratory health, particularly for young children.

Based on our experience to date, I have limited confidence that the proposed dust management measures will adequately protect neighbouring residents over the next 20 years.

Noise and Amenity

The proposal seeks approval for operations over a period of up to 20 years. Living beside heavy machinery, truck movements and earthworks for six days a week over such a long period will significantly reduce our enjoyment of our home.

Temporary construction impacts are one thing, but living beside these activities throughout much of our children's childhood is another. I believe the cumulative effect of noise and ongoing industrial activity over such a prolonged period has not been adequately recognised.

Operating Hours

I am also concerned about the proposed operating hours of 7.00am to 6.00pm, Monday to Saturday.

These hours would significantly reduce the opportunity for neighbouring residents to enjoy their homes without the constant noise and disruption associated with heavy industrial activity. Saturday is an important day for families to spend time together, enjoy their outdoor spaces, entertain visitors, complete work around their properties, or simply have a quieter day after the working week.

While reducing the operating hours by one hour on weekdays or shortening Saturday hours may appear to be a relatively small change, over a consent period of up to 20 years the cumulative benefit to neighbouring residents would be significant. I believe the proposed operating hours place an unreasonable burden on those living nearby.

Vibration

During previous site works we experienced significant vibration within our home. The vibration was severe enough that I experienced headaches and felt physically unwell. It could clearly be felt throughout our house.

At the time, ResourceCo arranged for vibration monitoring and advised us that their own specialist confirmed vibration levels were higher than acceptable. Although this application states that the managed fill will be compacted by heavy machinery rather than vibration equipment, our previous experience means I remain concerned about vibration impacts from future operations.

Groundwater and Water Quality

I acknowledge that the applicant has engaged technical experts to assess the effects on groundwater and surface water. However, my concern is the long-term protection of our water resources once the site has been filled and is no longer actively managed.

The Waikato River is a nationally significant waterway and supplies drinking water for the Waikato and Auckland regions. My understanding is that Cambridge's drinking water intake is also located downstream of the site. My family intends to remain living in this community for many years and we want confidence that our local environment and drinking water will remain safe, not only while the site is operating, but for decades after it has closed.

Given the long-term nature of the proposal and the potentially significant consequences if contamination were ever to occur, I believe a precautionary approach should be taken.

Confidence in Mitigation

My concern is not only with what is proposed on paper, but whether those measures will consistently protect neighbouring residents over the life of the consent. Based on our experience with the existing operation, I have limited confidence that the proposed mitigation measures will adequately avoid or minimise adverse effects over the next 20 years.

For these reasons, I oppose the application in its current form.

Schedule 2: What decision do you want us to make?

That the application be declined.

If Council is minded to grant consent, I request that significantly stronger conditions be imposed, including:

I seek that the application be declined in its current form.

I acknowledge that some form of rehabilitation or filling of the quarry may be appropriate once quarrying activities have concluded. However, I do not believe this application, as currently proposed, adequately avoids or mitigates the adverse effects on neighbouring residents or provides sufficient confidence that those effects will be appropriately managed over the proposed 20-year operational period and beyond.

If the Council is minded to grant consent, I request that the following conditions be imposed:

1. Operating hours be restricted to:
 - Monday to Friday: 7.00am to 5.00pm.
 - Saturday: 7.00am to 12.00pm.
 - No operations on Sundays or public holidays.

2. Independent dust monitoring be undertaken at neighbouring residential properties, with results made publicly available.
3. Earthworks and haulage activities cease during weather conditions where dust cannot be effectively controlled.
4. Enhanced dust suppression measures be implemented beyond those currently proposed, with a clear and enforceable dust management plan.
5. Neighbouring homes affected by dust deposition be professionally cleaned at the applicant's expense at least twice per year, including exterior surfaces, windows, gutters, decks, outdoor entertaining areas and other fixed external surfaces. This should be in addition to, and not replace, appropriate dust suppression measures.
6. Independent vibration monitoring be undertaken whenever activities have the potential to affect neighbouring properties, with enforceable limits and immediate corrective action where those limits are exceeded.
7. Groundwater and surface water monitoring continue throughout the operation and for an appropriate period following site closure, with monitoring results made publicly available and enforceable remediation requirements should contamination be detected.
8. A formal complaints process be established with mandatory response timeframes, investigation requirements and reporting to Council.
9. A review condition be included within the consent allowing Council to strengthen consent conditions if monitoring or complaints demonstrate that dust, vibration, noise, water quality or other adverse effects are greater than those anticipated.

Should the Council determine that these conditions cannot adequately avoid or mitigate the adverse effects of the proposal, I request that the application be declined.