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- 1. If a site had a licence issued by EPA then EPA should always advise the relevant municipal council of any further works e.g. the need for importation of soil to fix in cracks in capping.
- 2. There has been a break in the thread regarding communication from EPA to councils.
- EPA should monitor performance and make sure operators of sites do not become over-zealous and take advantage eg. Importing soil over and above the requirement to mend cracks in capping.
- 4. Such a recent occurrence proved that the operator was importing and stockpiling more soil than was required and it is not known if EPA checked on the amount of soil being imported.
- 5. EPA should advise immediate neighbours of the need to perform works on a site after an EPA audit.
- If EPA request works to be done on a site they should also be responsible for dust control on that site. The pattern of asking affected neighbours to contact councils for dust control is not good enough especially if the work was requested by EPA and not councils.
- 7. EPA should encourage behavior change of operators and prevent problems before they arise.
- 8. EPA should work with community groups to better protect the environment.
- 9. If council rejects a planning permit on the grounds of relevant planning guidelines and overlays EPA should support council's decision. It gives strength to operators if EPA does not mind an activity. However if councils reject that activity especially on a rehabilitated site in a particular zone then EPA should back up council.
- EPA should conduct environmental impact assessments taking into account the zoning guidelines for the area in question.
- EPA should take more heed of air quality when instructing operators that works required as a
 result of audits need to take into consideration the public health issues which may arise from
 such repair activity.
- 12. EPA must make sure that there are no impacts on the local community as a result of instructing operators to perform any tasks relating to repairs to a site after an EPA audit.