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Subject: Final Response Part 2 - 506620 - Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant
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Kia ora,

We refer to your information request below. Hamilton City Council provides the following response.

Each question should be considered and answered individually where possible.

1. Can Hamilton City Council provide the dates and invitation documents/correspondence for all the consultation activity in the last five years for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

Please see below for Part 2 of your response:

Can Hamilton City Council provide the dates and invitation documents/correspondence for all the consultation activity in the last five years for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?
This project has been mentioned in Council's 2021-2031 & 2024-2034 Long-Term Plans and Council's 2024-54 Infrastructure Strategy. These planning documents were consulted on with the public. We have started engaging with nearby landowners and key stakeholders about the project. There will be an opportunity for the wider community to have their say when we begin the process to designate the land. We will also ask for community feedback on other aspects of the project, including the design and layout.

We have launched a project page on Council's website where you can seek more information (<https://hamilton.govt.nz/strategies-plans-and-projects/projects/city-wide-waters/Southern-wastewater-treatment-plant>)

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602

Ngaa mihi

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Sent: Monday, 15 September 2025 6:49 pm
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Cc: Official Information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>
Subject: Final Response Part 1 - 506620 - Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant

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2. Can Hamilton City Council provide a list (with dates when contact was first made) of all the communities, groups, and organisations which were contacted about the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant, between 01 April 2020 and 01 April 2025?

3. Can Hamilton City Council provide a list of all potential site options considered for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

4. Can Hamilton City Council provide the assessment criteria documents used to evaluate the potential site options considered for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

5. Can Hamilton City Council provide the documents where the potential site options (or short listed sites) are compared and/or assessed for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

Our Response:

Can Hamilton City Council provide the dates and invitation documents/correspondence for all the consultation activity in the last five years for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

We are willing to provide you a response on this question, however our team need additional time to provide this. Part 2 of this response which will include an answer to this question will be sent to you by 22 September.

Can Hamilton City Council provide a list (with dates when contact was first made) of all the communities, groups, and organisations which were contacted about the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant, between 01 April 2020 and 01 April 2025?

The table below outlines contact made with communities, groups, and organisations in relation to the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant (SWWTP). This includes engagement as part of the Southern Metro Wastewater Detailed Business Case, which incorporated the SWWTP. Please note that a preferred site for the SWWTP was not confirmed until after March 2025.

In addition to the list below, the Southern WWTP project has been noted in the Hamilton City Council Long Term Plan and Infrastructure Strategies with partial funding included since 2021. Long Term Plans and Infrastructure Strategies are publicly consulted on.

Organisation	Initial Contact from 1 April 2020
Future Proof Implementation Committee which includes elected representatives from Waikato District Council, Waipa District Council, Hamilton City Council, Ngaa Karu Atua o Te Waka, Waikato-Tainui, Tainui Waka Alliance	April 2020
Te Whakakitenga o Waikato (Waikato-Tainui)	May 2020
Waikato District Council	May 2020
Waipa District Council	May 2020
Hamilton City Council	May 2020
Waikato Regional Council	May 2020
Ngaa Karu Atua o te Waka comprising representatives from Iwi, Hapu, Marae within the Future Proof Area and beyond.	May 2020
Waikato District Council – Water Governance Board	May 2020
Fonterra	June 2020
Tainui Group Holdings	June 2020
Department of Internal Affairs	July 2020
Watercare	August 2020
Waikato Regional Airport Ltd	August 2020
Interested Parties – details subject to Non Disclosure agreements and MOU	August / September 2020
Ngaati Haua	September 2020
Ngaati Koroki Kahukura	September 2020
Ngaati Maahanga	September 2020
Ngaati Wairere	September 2020
Ngaati Tamainupo	September 2020
Taupiri Marae	September 2020
Turangawaewae Marae	September 2020
Maniapoto Trust Board	September 2020
Raukawa Settlement Trust	September 2020
Waikato River Authority	September 2020
NZTA	June 2021
Landowner	March 2022
Project Specific Kaitiaki Roopu comprising	November 2022

Can Hamilton City Council provide a list of all potential site options considered for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

This information is available via hamilton.govt.nz/SWWTP

Can Hamilton City Council provide the assessment criteria documents used to evaluate the potential site options considered for the Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant?

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representatives from Ngaati Apakura, Ngaati Haua, Ngaati Koroki Kahukura, Ngaa Iwi Toopu o Waipa, Ngaati Maahanga, Ngaati Tamainupo, Te Haa o te whenua o Kiriikiriroa, Waikato-Tainui	
Adjacent landowner	November 2022
Landowner	November 2022 – Jan 2023
Adjacent landowner	December 2022
Ngamurikaiaua	June 2024
Paretekawa	August 2024
Te Waihangā – Infrastructure Commission	December 2024
Department of Conservation	June 2025
Fish and Game	June 2025
Surrounding landowners	May - July 2025
Adjacent landowners	May – July 2025
Mercury	July 2025
Rukuhia Property Ltd	July 2025
Local community	26 August 2025
Stop the Stink	9 September 2025

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Sent: Monday, 18 August 2025 12:10 pm

To: Official Information <officialinformation@hcc.govt.nz>

Subject: Official Information request - Southern Wastewater Treatment Plant: Site Selection and Consultation

To whom it may concern at the Hamilton City Council,

This is a request for information and documentation as covered by the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 and/or the Official Information Act 1982.

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Sincerely,

[REDACTED] (Editor at CityWatch NZ)

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