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1996 landfill full cost guide

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Preface

The Ministry for the Environment conducted the 1998/99 National Landfill Census between November 1998 and January 1999. The census covered open and closed municipal landfills, dedicated landfills and cleanfills, and sought to establish the current state of landfill management practice in New Zealand. In brief, the results indicated:

- an improvement in the number of consented landfills, although there are still landfills operating without the necessary consents
- a significant level of non-compliance, with one-third of landfills having breached their resource consents since 1995
- a poor performance by landfill operators in the management of hazardous waste
- a decrease in open burning at landfills, although burning still occurred at 24% of landfill sites in 1998
- a small improvement in landfill management training
- conditions still varying considerably throughout the country
- evidence of inadequate management of closed landfills.

The 1998/99 census showed that there had been some improvement since the 1995 census, but that overall the standard of landfills and landfill management practice in this country is still not good enough.

The results of the latest survey stimulated the development of the Ministry's Landfill Management Programme. The Ministry's aims for this programme are the adequate management of landfills and their environmental risk, by councils and other owners, through:

- controlling adverse and potential environmental effects from open and closed landfills
- managing landfills in an efficient and effective manner.

The objectives of the programme are for:

- all landfills to be adequately engineered, consistent with national guidelines
- all landfills to be consented and compliant with consent conditions
- landfill consent conditions to reflect nationally consistent standards of environmental management
- the practice of open burning to be banned
- all landfills to be managed by appropriately trained operators
- hazardous waste to be effectively managed and controlled
- closed landfill sites to be monitored and effectively managed
- the true cost of landfill management to be met through the correct pricing of waste disposal.

The Landfill Management Programme comprises:

- the development and implementation (with local government and other interested parties) of landfill management guidelines
- an exercise to audit and review landfills around the country
- selected intervention in the resource consent process, where appropriate.

The Ministry's expectations are reflected in the guidelines that have been produced to assist the management of waste and landfills. The following documents produced by the Ministry for the Environment have been prepared through the programme:

- *A Guide to the Management of Closing and Closed Landfills in New Zealand* (2001b)
- *Guide to Landfill Consent Conditions* (2001a)
- *Guide to Managing Cleanfills* (2002)
- *Solid Waste Analysis Protocol* (2002)
- *New Zealand Waste Strategy* (2002)
- *Landfill Full Cost Accounting Guide for New Zealand* (2002).

In addition, the Centre for Advanced Engineering's *Landfill Guidelines* (funded by the Sustainable Management Fund) were re-published in May 2000. This guideline, together with the Ministry guidelines, provides a clear basis for the standards of landfill management the Ministry expects to be achieved by 2010.

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1 Introduction

1.1 Background

Traditionally, landfill charges have covered only a part of the actual (or real) costs incurred during the life of a landfill. This point was highlighted in the Parliamentary Commissioner for the Environment's report *Solid Waste Reduction Initiatives* (1993), which noted that many councils charge solely on the basis of landfill operating costs. This approach underestimates the real costs of landfill disposal, by ignoring factors such as the cost of the land, mitigation of environmental effects, unplanned closure, corrective actions, site rehabilitation and aftercare.¹

In many cases councils do not apportion funding for the administration and overhead costs of landfills separately, which results in hidden costs and cross-subsidisation. This view was reinforced in the 1998/99 *National Landfill Census* report (Ministry for the Environment 2000), which noted evidence² suggesting that "councils do not accurately reflect the full environmental costs of landfill disposal".

1.2 Strategies for waste management

In the course of preparing the 1998/99 census the Ministry established a set of objectives for effective landfill management. The objective relating to cost stated that:

the true cost of landfill management [is] to be met through the correct pricing of waste disposal.

This has been taken up in the New Zealand Waste Strategy (Ministry for the Environment 2002), in which waste disposal targets encourage waste generators to pay the true cost of waste treatment and disposal. This change may be gradually phased in where there is a big difference between the current charge and the true cost. Targets allow true cost accounting to be introduced over a period acceptable to the local community (see below for timeline).

Some local authorities may need to re-evaluate their funding policies for more flexibility and a fairer allocation of costs. These targets will be looked at again once the Strategy has been implemented and the second national waste data report delivered in 2003.

¹ The PCE noted that this approach also ignores the indirect or social costs of landfills. This aspect is not covered by the model presented here.

² See section 2.3.1 for further detail on the 1998/999 census results.

The New Zealand Waste Strategy sets the following targets for waste disposal.

- 1 **By December 2003**, local authorities will have addressed their funding policy to ensure that full cost recovery can be achieved for all waste treatment and disposal processes.
- 2 **By December 2005**, operators of all landfills, cleanfills and wastewater treatment plants will have calculated user charges based on the full costs of providing and operating the facilities, and will have established a programme to phase these charges in over a timeframe acceptable to the local community.
- 3 **By December 2005**, all cleanfills will comply with cleanfill disposal guidelines.
- 4 **By December 2010**, all substandard landfills will be upgraded or closed.
- 5 **By December 2020**, all substandard wastewater treatment facilities will be upgraded, closed or replaced with systems that comply with all relevant regional and coastal plans, standards and guidelines.

Developing waste disposal pricing policies that, as far as practicable, reflect full cost is crucial to successfully implementing the Strategy. Failing to reflect all costs in the price of waste disposal weakens the incentive to prevent waste and avoid disposal.

1.3 How are local authorities affected?

Since the introduction of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA) many territorial local authorities (TLAs) have incurred significant cost increases, especially for the operation of small landfills. As a result, communities face the decision to either upgrade or expand existing sites, or close sites and open new facilities. This may include considering options such as transfer stations and regional landfills in light of the target set by the New Zealand Waste Strategy (“By December 2010, all substandard landfills will be upgraded or closed”).

The Local Government Act (1974) and Local Government Bill require TLAs, through their annual plan process, to identify significant activities and consult with the community over options. This requires accurate information on the full cost of landfills, and the *Full Cost Accounting Guide* has been developed in response to this need. The Guide is recommended to TLA waste managers and other landfill owners as a formal method for costing landfills to achieve Strategy targets.

It is important to recognise that publicly and technically viable landfill sites are becoming an increasingly scarce resource. Existing landfills represent valuable assets in terms of their remaining disposal capacity, and should be priced accordingly. This will encourage the best use of existing assets and reinforce other initiatives aimed at minimising final waste disposal volumes.

In addition, if environmental costs are not fully counted, the environment subsidises the price of disposal. Where only part of the disposal cost is met from council rates, ratepayers are subsidising waste generators, or real costs are being deferred and will be borne in the future – by others. Inefficient pricing policies can also encourage waste flight to facilities that don't account fully for environmental cost.

Full cost pricing is a key waste management principle. It encourages both waste reduction initiatives and the minimisation of environmental effects by ensuring full environmental costs are, as far as practicable, reflected in the charges applied.

1.4 Purpose of the Guide

The purpose of the *Landfill Full Cost Accounting Guide* is to assist decision-makers to implement a consistent full cost accounting (FCA) approach to landfills, incorporating landfill planning, development, operation, closure and aftercare in a uniform and consistent way.

An FCA approach aims to accurately portray overall costs and risks associated with developing or owning and operating a modern landfill. It will enable landfill owners, including TLAs and other users of the model, to make meaningful comparisons of different waste management options in order to estimate, with reasonable accuracy, the basic cost of landfill disposal. This will help to decide not only appropriate gate rate charges, but also ways to fund and improve the efficiency of waste management services.

Local authorities as well as private companies need to determine the extent to which landfills are funded through user charges or other sources of funding. Use of the landfill FCA model will make the methods of funding and the cost of providing for landfill projects more obvious, more uniform and more consistent than is currently the case. The model can be used in conjunction with other tools for product life cycle assessment, or to determine overall waste disposal costs. (See the Ministry for the Environment website, www.mfe.govt.nz, for the latest information about such tools.)

Note: this Guide is intended to provide a sound approach to costing and pricing landfill services. It is not intended as a guide on how to account for landfills for financial reporting purposes. Section 3 does provide a summary background to financial reporting issues, but we strongly advise you to obtain specialist advice in relation to the detail of the issues involved in financial reporting for landfills.³

1.5 Using the model

What is this FCA model and how does someone use it? Put simply, the model is a user-friendly electronic spreadsheet, which you work your way through by entering information (numbers or text) into data entry cells, and selecting from the various check boxes, options buttons and drop-down menus. To operate the FCA model you will need to have an IBM-compatible personal computer and Microsoft Excel for Windows 97.

³ A useful guide on this issue is *Accounting for Environmental Obligations: Guidelines for Applying FRS-15: Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets* (NZ Society of Local Government Managers, 2001). Copies can be found on the society's website, www.solgm.org.nz.

The output of the model is an “indicative base cost of landfill disposal” (indicative base cost, or IBC). This is not an instant solution to what you should be charging at the gate of your landfill. This IBC figure may (and probably will) differ from the actual gate rate or user charge because it is simply the calculated cost, over the life of the asset, of providing for waste disposal. It does not account for related intangible costs or other charges such as:

- benefits/costs or levies related to waste diversion or recycling initiatives (other than overall reductions in waste quantity over time, which the model *can* account for)
- recovery of sunk costs from previous undercharging (where applicable)
- other charges
- tax.⁴

The IBC is thus a base figure which gives a good indication of the actual dollar cost of providing residual waste disposal to the landfill. Facility owners and managers then need to develop an *actual* charging structure from this figure, in the light of all other relevant factors (see sections 4.3 and 4.5). This is provided for on the **Model Summary** output page of the spreadsheet.

A note on the limitations of the model

The IBC and suggested or default / typical input data provided as part of, or derived from this model, must be treated as indicative only. The computational and accounting accuracy of the model algorithm have been verified, but outputs should not be solely relied on for financial reporting, forecasting or price setting. Engineering and accounting advice should be sought to ensure model accuracy and to set final charging structures.

1.6 Overview of the Guide

Section 1 – Introduction.

Section 2 – Current Overseas and New Zealand Practice outlines relevant overseas practice, New Zealand practice, and the key findings of the 2001 local authority waste managers’ survey undertaken as part of the preparation for this Guide.

Section 3 – Legislative Framework sets out the legislative requirements for financial reporting (particularly relevant to TLAs and Local Authority Trading Enterprises or LATEs), and describes how the model output should be used and integrated with wider financial and other reporting processes.

⁴ The IBC output calculated by the model is a pre-tax estimate. In order to convert this estimate to a post-tax estimate, it will be necessary to obtain specialist advice.

Section 4 – Landfill Full Cost Accounting explains the approach to full cost analysis and its accounting basis. It lists the types of costs that are included in the definition, outlines the benefits of using the model, details when it can be used, and describes the process of implementation. It sets out the rationale for using both Brownfields and Greenfields sub-models within the overall model structure. Section 4 also addresses issues of latent and contingent financial risk and risk minimisation options, and sets out, using flow charts, how the model is structured and how it functions.

Section 5 – Model Input Parameters works through the input (cost) items that are included in the model so that waste managers can assign costs to these items for their own site(s).

Section 6 – Income Streams describes the sources of income for a landfill and how they are included in the model.

Section 7 – Model User Guide outlines how the model can be used and describes the structure of the model for each option. It includes a description of the type, accuracy and general format for input data, as well as guidance for the use of default/typical data values where these are applicable.

Section 8 – Expanding the Model: Other Waste Management System Costs lists the cost items associated with other waste management facilities and services which would be included if a full cost analysis were expanded to include all waste management system costs.

Section 9 – Illegal Dumping provides an overview of the issues associated with illegal dumping, which is a potential negative outcome of implementing landfill charges based on full cost accounting.

The appendices include default/typical values for model input costs, a full worked example, the model algorithm, financial assurance and items/costs not included in the model.

2 Current Overseas and New Zealand Practice

2.1 United States of America

The United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) has taken the initiative in promoting the increased use of FCA for solid waste management. The USEPA has worked closely with the US Government Finance Officers Association (GFOA) towards achieving this goal. It was with this goal in mind that the GFOA approved a recommended practice on *The Application of Full Cost Accounting to Solid Waste Management Activities* in 1998 (Gauthier, 1998). The USEPA and GFOA define full-cost accounting as “a method of accounting for all monetary costs of resources used or committed for municipal solid waste (MSW) services”. The USEPA states that full-cost accounting “provides decision-makers with the whole picture of MSW costs in their community on an ongoing basis”.

The GFOA’s FCA manual published in conjunction with the USEPA February 2000 (GFOA, 2000) details a comprehensive menu-based modelling approach. The model presented in this Guide follows a similar logic, but is deliberately simplified in some areas to ease data entry and avoid the risk of gross errors due to misinterpretation of input data sets, duplication or omission.

2.2 Australia–New South Wales

The New South Wales *Environmental Guidelines: Solid Waste Landfills* (NSW EPA, 1996) states that the Environmental Protection Authority (EPA) “uses economic and educative tools alongside regulatory measures to achieve desired environmental outcomes”. The broad goal of promoting waste reduction and the need to cover the cost of environmental externalities created by landfills are recognised in New South Wales through the promotion of true cost pricing at landfills and a levy on waste disposal.

2.3 New Zealand

To ascertain current New Zealand local authority practices in relation to FCA for landfills, data from the following sources were used:

- the 1998/99 *National Landfill Census* (Ministry for the Environment 2000)
- a survey of local authority waste managers in 2001, undertaken as part of the Guide preparation process.

2.3.1 1998/99 National Landfill Census

The 1998/99 National Landfill Census reported the following feedback.

- 63% of landfill operators had read the *Landfill Guideline: Landfill Full Costing Guidelines* Ministry for the Environment, 1997a). Of these, 77% (or about 45% overall) found the guide useful.
- Landfill operators reported that the guidelines are not useful for commercial operators, airspace utilisation needs to be related to financial performance, and the guidelines are overly complicated.
- 40% of landfills charged through general rates and 45% through user charges (or a combination of both).
- 26% of landfills operated a differential charging system for wastes at their landfill, compared with 47% who did not.
- Local authorities need to identify and assess the full costs of both currently operating and closed landfill sites.

2.3.2 2001 Survey of Local Authority Waste Managers

In early May 2001 all New Zealand TLA managers were sent a postal questionnaire, instructions for completing the questionnaire, a draft table of contents for the new FCA guide, a covering letter from the Ministry for the Environment, and a stamped addressed envelope for returning the questionnaire.

In total, 74 questionnaires were sent out to TLA waste managers. Responses were received from 58, of whom five said the questionnaire was not particularly relevant to their needs.

Data from the questionnaires were entered into a Microsoft Access database. Questions that entailed a text response were analysed manually. All questionnaire responses were treated as confidential and data were aggregated. The results have been categorised in terms of:

- the 1996 guidelines
- landfill funding and charging
- illegal dumping
- transitioning from current charging regimes.

Analysis of the questionnaire data indicated that there is currently huge variability in the manner of charging at landfills throughout New Zealand. This varies from 'notional' charging, based largely on known annual operations and overhead costs, to full cost pricing and charging (mainly at larger and privately operated facilities). In between, a range of rates-based and other formulae are used to set gate rates, usually based on a simple build-up of operations costs taking into account 'prior charges'. Often the gate rate set is quite artificial, and in some instances it is clear that gate rates are either cross-subsidised or transfer pricing methods are employed.

In only a few instances can a landfill gate rate be clearly identified as reflecting true cost. Even in 'commercial' cases the actual gate rate is affected by:

- waste flows (directly related to cashflow objectives)
- customer arrangements/volumes
- waste type
- timing
- actual cost of airspace development.

Moving to a more consistent basis for charging (or at least determining the true dollar cost of disposal) is essential if a nationally consistent, integrated waste disposal strategy is to be implemented, such that waste reduction, recycling and other initiatives fit realistically into the overall economic mix of waste disposal costs.

3 Legislative Framework

3.1 General statutory and financial reporting requirements

The statutory and financial reporting requirements applicable to companies and issuers⁵ are contained in the Financial Reporting Act 1993 and the Companies Act 1993. The Financial Reporting Act establishes the overall financial reporting framework, whereas the Companies Act prescribes the administrative requirements regarding financial reporting by companies.

The Financial Reporting Act applies to all ‘entities’, as defined in section 2 of the Act. Entities are all ‘issuers’ and all companies. Issuers and companies are mainly private sector entities, although certain public sector entities such as SOEs, some Crown entities and some local authority trading enterprises (LATEs) are companies and therefore subject to the requirements of both the Financial Reporting Act and Companies Act.

- Under section 11 of the Financial Reporting Act the financial statements of all reporting entities are required to comply with Generally Accepted Accounting Practice (GAAP). GAAP is defined in section 3 of the Financial Reporting Act as: compliance with applicable Financial Reporting Standards (FRS).
- Where no provision is made in applicable Financial Reporting Standards and where there is no applicable rule of law, compliance with accounting policies that are appropriate to the circumstances of the entity and have authoritative support within the accounting profession in New Zealand.

3.2 Application to local government

Many of the readers of this Guide will be local government employees, so the application of statutory and financial reporting requirements to local government is relevant.

Some LATEs are subject to the requirements of both the Financial Reporting Act and Companies Act, as well as the Local Government Act 1974. For local authorities the Local Government Act, including its amendments, sets out the financial reporting requirements. TLAs are required to prepare annual financial reports in accordance with GAAP.⁶ Applicable financial reporting standards (FRSs) are therefore those approved under the Financial Reporting Act.

⁵ An ‘issuer’ is essentially any party that has made a public issue of debt or equity securities. Issuers may be companies or entities other than companies, and include unit trusts, authorised life insurers, and all entities listed on the New Zealand Stock Exchange.

⁶ The requirement for TLAs to comply with GAAP is achieved by the Local Government Act defining GAAP consistently with the definition of GAAP under the Financial Reporting Act.

The most relevant and applicable FRSs for landfill operations are FRS-15 'Provisions, Contingent Liabilities and Contingent Assets', and FRS-3 'Accounting for Property, Plant and Equipment'. These reporting standards were introduced in 2001. FRS-15 applies for reporting periods ending on or after 31 October 2001 and FRS-3 applies for reporting periods on or after 31 March 2002.

FRS-15 in particular is likely to have a significant impact on TLAs. It is intended to improve the consistency of current provisioning practices. Current practice has ranged from over-provisioning to under-provisioning, where there are significant existing obligations that have not been provided for. This latter situation is particularly relevant for TLAs, where it is clear that the sector has many potential and actual environmental obligations such as landfills and other contaminated sites. Consequently, accounting for environmental liabilities under FRS-15 is likely to lead to a significant and sector-wide increase in the number of provisions recognised for environmental restoration.

The following sub-sections briefly outline the effect that these two new FRSs have on accounting for landfills. The information provided draws heavily on a fuller guideline published by the Society of Local Government Managers,⁷ which readers should consult for further detail.

3.3 FRS-15: Provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets

FRS-15 specifies the rules for recognition, measurement and disclosure of provisions, contingent liabilities and contingent assets. While the standard outlines specific clauses, an interpretation of them in the context of environmental obligations is required. Some of the key interpretation issues are outlined below.

A key clause of FRS-15 requires that:

A provision must be recognised when:

- *an entity has a present obligation, legal or constructive, as a result of a past event*
- *it is probable that an outflow of resources will be required to settle the obligation*
- *a reliable estimate can be made of the amount of the obligation.*

If these conditions are not met, a provision must not be recognised.

⁷ New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers, 2001. This document can be downloaded from the society's website www.solgm.org.nz. Also, note that this guideline contains a hypothetical worked example of accounting for a landfill under these new standards.

Key issues to note relating to obligations are as follows.

- A present obligation exists where it is more likely than not, at a balance date, that the entity will be required to settle an obligation created by a past event.
- In the context of environmental obligations, a “present obligation” for local authorities is often created by RMA requirements.⁸
- “Constructive obligations” can be difficult to ascertain for TLAs.⁹ In some cases they may be construed to exist where a TLA has created an expectation.¹⁰
- An obligation can only exist when it arises as a result of past events independent of an entity’s future actions: provision cannot be recognised when an obligation will only arise as a result of anticipated future actions.
- The standard envisages that it will be very rare for a provision not to be recognised because a reliable estimate cannot be made. Local authorities will have to make assumptions as to the environmental obligations they face, even if these obligations are forecast to occur some way into the future.

A more detailed discussion of these issues and others¹¹ can be found in New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers (2001).

3.4 FRS-3: Accounting for property, plant and equipment

FRS-3 deals with:

- accounting for items of property, plant and equipment under the historical or modified historical cost systems of accounting
- accounting for the consumption or loss of economic benefits embodied in items of property, plant and equipment.

Particular issues related to FRS-3 that impact on financial reporting for landfills are as follows.

- Closure and post-closure costs that have been recognised as a provision should be added to the cost of establishing the landfill operation and depreciated over the period the future economic benefits are enjoyed. FRS-3 notes that the cost of an item of property, plant and equipment includes the costs of dismantling and removing the asset and restoring the site.
- Subsequent expenditure on closure and post-closure costs (after acquisition and development on a landfill) should be capitalised.¹²

⁸ Often via the required resource consents necessary for landfills and other contaminated sites.

⁹ For example, in relation to a closed landfill that was not subject to any resource consents.

¹⁰ For example, via public statements or policies, or past actions.

¹¹ Relating to the measurement and disclosure standards.

¹² Paragraph 6.1 of FRS-3 gives guidance in this area.

- It will be necessary to ensure that each component¹³ of a landfill asset is accounted for separately. FRS-3 requires that when the components of an item of property, plant and equipment have different useful lives or provide benefits in different patterns, the cost of the item must be allocated to its components and each component accounted for separately.

This is a brief summary of the ways in which FRS-3 is relevant to the financial reporting of landfills. A fuller analysis can be found in the recent guide published by the New Zealand Society of Local Government Managers (2001).

¹³ The main components include land cost, landfill development costs, property, plant and equipment, and closure and post-closure costs.

4 Landfill Full Cost Accounting

4.1 General

The cost of airspace development can be calculated for a landfill of any size or age at any site, amortised over the site life. To this can be added sunk and operational costs, corrected for financing, together with allowances for landfill closure and aftercare. These costs can be amalgamated using a timeline-based, ordered-input spreadsheet model to develop an overall 'indicative base cost' (IBC) of landfilling over the facility's life. This is what the FCA model does.

Using such a model, a whole-of-life IBC of landfill disposal is derived, which will only change if:

- financing costs change
- waste volumes (and hence the development timeline) change *markedly*
- operations costs increase *markedly* (for example, due to fuel or labour price hikes).

A carefully managed and operated landfill can, however, react to gradual change by utilising such a financial model to apply progressive costing refinements, reflected in smoothed changes in the gate rate. The biggest problems (in terms of artificial disposal costs or financial mismanagement) occur when:

- full costs are not properly recognised (especially at an early stage)
- there is undercharging for prolonged periods
- landfills need to be upgraded or significantly expanded to modern standards, causing capital cost shocks, which result in increased capital development costs and hence charges out of line with the (then) current charging regimes.

The most appropriate basis for charging is likely to be based on:

- estimating whole-of-life costs (IBC of disposal) using a comprehensive FCA model and adjusting for:
 - cashflow considerations
 - recycling or other local or national waste levies
- deriving a structured gate rate (price) from the above, in light of the actual 'global' financial position of the asset, depreciation, cashflow and tax considerations (all depending on the specific nature of the entity).

Adopting this approach for a new or expanding landfill could potentially result in – or highlight – significant pricing aberrations in the short term, but over the long term should even out to a predictable pricing range reflecting:

- the true (and relatively invariant over the short- to medium-term) cost of airspace development
- site-specific cost factors related to the site's age, size and throughput (economies of scale)
- other waste charges that may be applied for strategic/commercial reasons or to achieve long-term waste reduction targets.

4.2 Definition of ‘full cost’

For the purposes of this Guide, ‘full cost’ is defined as:

Any real, definable and measurable cost, from any source, attributable to a particular landfill and incurred, or likely to be incurred, by the owner.

Full cost accounting (FCA) encompasses the capital and operating costs that will be incurred over the life of a landfill, which have to be recovered and on which a return is required. Typical categories of costs include:

- management, administration and organisational overhead costs
- planning and resource consent costs
- land cost
- development costs
- operational costs
- closure and aftercare costs.

FCA is a dynamic process that needs to be able to respond to changes over the lifetime of a landfill project. This is readily achievable with the FCA computer model presented here. Once set up for a particular project, the model needs to be revised on a regular basis to reflect new and better information. For a landfill project it is recommended that full cost modelling be undertaken, or repeated, at the following stages:

- planning and project evaluation
- site selection and preliminary design
- detailed final design following resource consent processes
- at intervals throughout the landfill operating life, including reviews that take into account waste minimisation and recycling programmes, as their economic input on final disposal cost can be significant due to cashflow movements.

At each stage, refined information will be available to enable more accurate determination of actual disposal costs, or any charging or cost adjustments needed.

An FCA approach should also be used for analysing the overall costs of waste management systems. A waste management system covers all the services and facilities provided and, where required for the management and disposal of wastes, includes:

- administration and management
- planning
- education and promotion
- refuse collection
- recycling facilities and services
- composting facilities
- transfer stations and transport of refuse
- handling of special or hazardous wastes
- landfill.

The FCA model can also be used when planning new system components to determine the costs and benefits resulting from changes in waste flows.

4.3 Charging structures and gate rates

4.3.1 The basis for charging

Historically most landfill disposal sites in New Zealand have been run by TLAs. Normally, this has been on an ‘actual and least cost’ basis, with charges usually applied through a uniform service charge as part of council rates. In recent years, with the advent of commercial sector involvement (in commercial waste collection in particular), there has been a move towards a combination of charging mechanisms based on increased and improved tracking of waste quantities (by weighing) and recognition of the increasing full cost of waste disposal.

For purely commercial enterprises such as private sector landfills, disposal charges have had to reflect the full commercial cost of providing the service while making a commercial return on the landfill investment. This contrasts with a typical TLA situation where charges have often been based on contracted costs for collection and disposal operations.

However, this situation is changing with a better understanding of the full cost of waste disposal, and setting disposal charges now requires considering:

- creating incentives to reduce waste
- transparency
- meeting waste reduction targets
- New Zealand Waste Strategy principles
- equity
- user-pays considerations
- ease of applicability
- ability to accommodate change.

The last point applies particularly to situations where current charges are artificially low and a higher charge is required due either to development of a new facility or in recognition of full disposal costs. Phasing in charges based on full cost requires, in those circumstances, considering issues such as the potential for illegal dumping (fly tipping) and waste flight (to cheaper, remote facilities).

4.3.2 Types of charging structure

There are two main types of charging structures, each with advantages and disadvantages.

100% user-pays

Here, the full cost of disposal is applied, with or without additional charges or levies to support recycling or composting operations. For private sector operations this includes the required commercial return on the investment. Some TLAs and LATES also apply this charging principle (the FCA model allows this to be included by way of a WACC figure).

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Transparency – the full cost is borne by the waste generator. • Encourages waste reduction due to high user charges. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Unless uniformly applied waste diversion can occur. • The method of calculating user-charges needs to be robust.

Subsidised charging (from levies or transfer pricing)

Often rates-based charging mechanisms follow this form, where a charge is made based on historical charges and an assessment of what is politically acceptable. The degree to which such charges reflect actual full cost on a per capital basis can be highly variable, and often depends on the sophistication (or conversely, simplicity) with which costings are prepared.

Advantages	Disadvantages
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Simple – does not require accurate determination of system costs. • Readily accepted by those who contribute the least to the total system cost. • Unlikely to cause waste diversion to cheaper facilities. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Full costs are not recognised. • Costs are deferred, often with no basis for future funding. • There is no incentive for waste generation.

Clearly the latter scenario above is inconsistent with sound resource and financial governance, as well as with New Zealand Waste Strategy principles. It is simply how things have developed historically, and the current trend is to move rapidly towards knowing the full cost of disposal, driving down waste volumes using a range of measures, and applying the full cost residual disposal through appropriate tipping charges or rates-based disposal charges on a user-pays basis.

4.3.3 Setting gate rates

The process of setting an actual gate rate involves (depending on circumstances) a range of financial, political and commercial decisions. Attention needs to be given to the whole waste disposal structure for a facility, district or region, as the commercial considerations can prove very sensitive to fundamental factors such as waste tonnage (revenue) and transfer pricing/subsidies (for example, in relation to recycling or organic waste diversion).

The model enables the user to test the sensitivity of the IBC to variations in key model parameters, of which income is a principal variable.

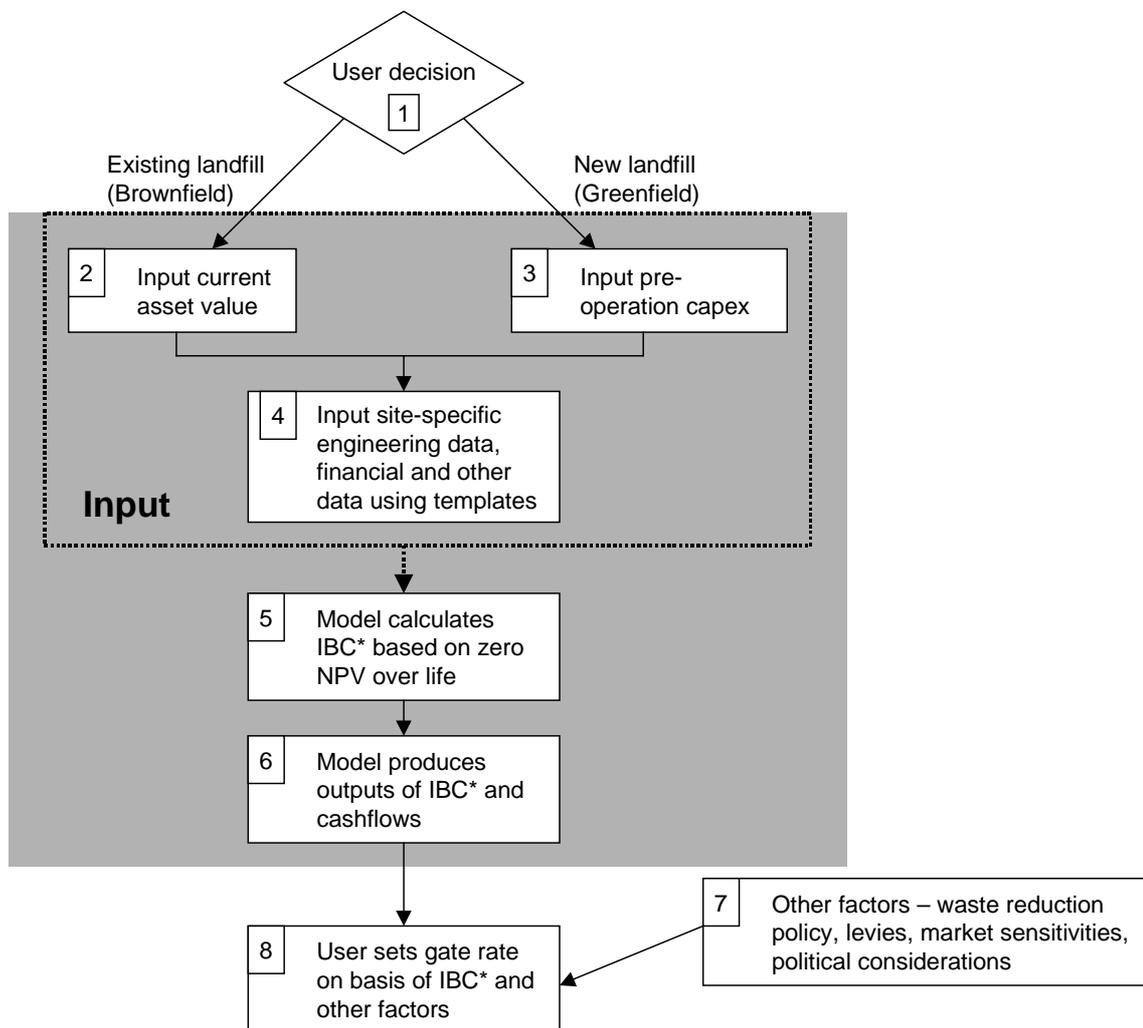
There is no simple formula or method for setting gate rates from the IBC. However, the model allows scenarios involving altered or increasing gate rates to be tested, and allows facility IBC figures to be readily checked and updated as circumstances change. This process is the fundamental management tool for assessing gate rates and other waste charges as the mix of disposal options and costs changes. At present this change is rapid and requires careful management by TLA managers of waste flows and disposal charges to ensure equity and balance in the waste system and charging structure.

In the case of a privately owned facility, setting gate rates tends to be commercially based and directly linked to confirmed or projected waste tonnages, capital investment and required rates of return. Therefore, determining the commercial gate rate tends to be a more straightforward exercise, even though actual charges may differ for commercial (and other) reasons over time.

4.4 Model overview

Figure 1 outlines the key interactions and processes of the model. Put simply, the model is a series of spreadsheets into which users enter known or estimated cost data. The model then carries out a series of calculations to derive an output, from which users can utilise as an IBC in order to derive an actual gate price (gate rate).

Figure 1: Overall model structure



* Indicative base cost of landfill disposal.

First, you need to decide whether you are modelling:

- a Brownfields site – an existing landfill with residual life, with or without future expansion; or
- a Greenfields site – a proposed landfill to be engineered on a new site.

4.4.1 Choosing between Greenfields and Brownfields

In most cases the approach to adopt will be obvious. However, a lateral or vertical extension of a Brownfields landfill may present some difficulties and require more specific judgement. If you consider that an extension will not present any extraordinary development or consenting issues, then you should treat the extension as part of the existing operation and develop a Brownfields model to cover the site's full residual life.

Periodic extensions (new cells) are often an integral part of an existing landfill facility and can be catered for in the business risks of the Brownfields operation itself through the financial parameters selected. However, if you consider the extension will present a materially *new* development, then you should treat the extension as a Greenfields development. The essential issue here is that where there is new and different or significant additional risk in the development of the extension, then the Greenfields option is the correct one to use. This is because the Greenfields option reflects the increased riskiness of new developments.

Once the decision is made on which type to adopt, you will need to make a series of inputs. This is where the key difference between the Greenfields and Brownfields landfill models occurs. A Greenfields landfill requires data and cost inputs related to the pre-operation capital expenditure required to establish the landfill. A Brownfields operation requires the user to input the current asset value as the initial cost entry. This value needs to reflect the value of the landfill asset based on the relevant Financial Reporting Standard NZIV¹⁴ requirements. Sections 5.3.1, 5.3.3 and 5.3.4 provide detail of the types of inputs required for a Greenfields landfill, and sections 5.3.2 and 5.4.1 provide guidance on inputting the current asset value of the landfill needed for a Brownfields landfill.

Once these inputs have been made, you need to make a further series of inputs related to site-specific engineering, financial and other data (see sections 5 and 7). The model does not provide costs, or cost estimates, for the various components of landfill development, operation or aftercare because these will be site-specific and are likely to vary in different parts of the country and over time. However, the model does provide qualified default values where possible. Waste managers will still need to obtain or estimate costs to ensure that the most up-to-date and site-specific information is used, based on the specific site locality, size, design and operational requirements.

The key financial data required pertain to 'cost of capital' calculations. Details of these are given in section 5.4.21.

¹⁴ NZ Institute of Valuers.

Once all the inputs have been made, the model calculates an IBC of disposal. The model does this by ‘solving’ for a target revenue, given:

- the starting asset value (in the case of a Brownfields landfill) or capital expenditure required to begin operations (in the case of a Greenfields landfill)
- the various ongoing expenditures required (both operational and capital related)
- the cost of capital that reflects the return required for the particular operation the user is considering
- the defined waste stream.

On the last point, the cost of capital is used to discount¹⁵ the cashflows the model derives after input from the user. These cash flows can then be converted to a present value, expressed in today’s dollars. The model is constructed in such a way that, given these present value cashflows, it solves for a required revenue that returns to capital contributors their costs of capital (and no more). This condition can also be stated as the project net present value (NPV) equals zero (as per Figure 1). That is, over its life, the landfill project has revenues that just return its cost of capital to its capital contributors (and no more), so the NPV of the project is zero.

More detailed figures outlining how the model manipulates the input – including the interaction between engineering cost data and the cost of capital inputs – can be found in Appendix A.

The FCA model has been designed and developed to be intuitive, for ease of use. It is an Excel-based electronic spreadsheet, with the formulas and option buttons, macros, and other features embedded in several worksheets. This format makes the model an easy-to-use analytical tool, which is on a popular software platform. Section 7 gives a fuller description of the technical requirements of the model, and an outline of its structure.

4.5 Interpreting the FCA model output

The following are important points to note when interpreting the value of the IBC derived from the model.

- 1 The IBC is the base unit cost of disposal in dollars per tonne derived by the FCA model, and gives an indication of the actual dollar cost of providing residual waste disposal to a landfill.
- 2 The IBC does not include GST.
- 3 Over time the IBC does need to be adjusted to reflect inflation. A simple way to do this is to increase the IBC by an inflation estimate (for example, the Consumer Price Index). A more time-consuming (but accurate) method would be to re-estimate all inputs at today’s dollar value, so that they would include only inflationary impact since the IBC was last calculated.

¹⁵ Essentially, this discount factor accounts for both the ‘time-value of money’ (i.e. a dollar today is worth more than a dollar in the future) and the riskiness of a project, or business.

- 4 You can then set the landfill gate rate / tipping fee on the basis of the IBC and other factors including:
- the charging policy of the landfill owner/operator (the mix of rates and user charges)
 - recycling / waste reduction levies
 - refuse collection costs (kerbside)
 - green waste / composting costs
 - education and waste minimisation costs.

5 Model Input Parameters

5.1 Introduction

This section provides guidance on all the inputs the model requires in order to generate the IBC. As noted in Section 4, the model can accommodate the development of new landfills (Greenfields) or the ongoing operation and possible extension of existing landfills (Brownfields). The inputs required for these two types of investments are broadly similar. The key difference is in the estimation of the initial capital expenditure (in the case of the Greenfields model) rather than the opening asset value (Brownfields model). Apart from this, the rest of the input parameters are similar for both models, and the guidance on the input is the same. Specific instructions relevant to the Brownfields approach can be found in sections 5.3.2 and 5.4.1.

It is important to note that for variables that require dollar value estimates, you will need to input the value in *today's* dollars, even if the variable requires an input in a future period. There is no need to account for inflation in providing these estimates.¹⁶ The model automatically accounts for dollar value inputs being in today's dollars, and produces output in today's dollars.

5.2 Costs not included in the FCA model

A more detailed description of the costs not included in the FCA model is given in Appendix C, but they can be summarised as follows.

- *Replacement costs* – the landfill FCA model does not include the provision of replacement funds for a future landfill, as these costs are attributable to a different project.
- *Aftercare of closed landfills* – the landfill FCA model does not include the aftercare costs of other landfills that are now closed.
- *Site selection costs* – the site selection process may involve research on many potential sites. Normally TLAs or private-sector landfill developers consider these costs as general expenditure. Only the costs of research and investigations that can be attributed directly to the site that is finally chosen should be included in the model. The model currently allows these costs to be included if required.
- *Environmental and community issues* – there are environmental and community issues relating to landfills that are not direct or indirect financial costs paid by the waste manager. These relate to externalities that occur on a local, national or global scale. Externalities are costs (or benefits) that are borne by (or accrue to) society in general, and which in the past have not generally been accounted for in decisions relating to landfills. Because legislation requires waste managers to avoid, remedy or mitigate some effects, some externalities are internalised – or taken into account – in the financial costs of

¹⁶ Note, however, that over time the IBC will need to be adjusted to reflect inflation. See the discussion in Section 4.5.

landfill development, operation and aftercare through the resource consent process. The calculation of the cost to society of all externalities associated with landfills is beyond the scope of this Guide. However, externalities can have a significant effect on the decision-making process and therefore need to be considered by local authority waste managers.

- *Discharges to land, groundwater, surface water and air* – the cost relating to the effects on the environment of a landfill is considered to be accounted for in the costs of siting, resource consent applications, design, operation and monitoring, as these costs relate to the avoidance of actual and potential effects.
- *Effects on local ecology* – these are considered to be accounted for in the costs of siting, resource consent applications, design, operation and monitoring, as these relate to the avoidance of actual and potential effects.
- *Community effects* – community effects are partly taken account of in landfill siting, community consultation and resource consent procedures. The costs associated with these activities are included in the full costing model. These costs, however, may not take account of all issues. One approach adopted overseas, and used in New Zealand for some new large landfill sites, is the payment of ‘host fees’ to the local community affected by the landfill, for appropriate community projects such as a community hall. Host fees, where they apply, need to be included as a cost in the landfill FCA model.
- *Opportunity costs of land* – the value of the net benefit forgone by the community in using the land for a landfill, rather than for some alternative use, is the opportunity cost of that land. However, the value of land when used as a landfill may be higher than for the existing or alternative land uses, in which case opportunity cost does not apply. For this reason, and the fact that the waste manager incurs no cost, community opportunity cost is not included in the FCA model.
- *Remediation or corrective action costs* – if corrective action measures are required at a landfill facility, a detailed scope of work, appropriate cost estimates, and financial assurance documentation should be submitted to the appropriate regulatory authority. Corrective action plans will be site-specific and will vary widely. These costs are not included in the FCA model.

5.3 Landfill FCA model input parameters

The model is based on up to 11 information parameters and eight cost parameters relevant to landfill full cost accounting, as shown in Table 1. These parameters correspond to the item categories/headings in the model input worksheets (**General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, and **Cost Input**), which provide the space for entering most data.

Table 1: Landfill parameters

Model input worksheet	Parameter
General input	Situation – Section 5.3.1 Dates – Section 5.3.1 Waste – Section 5.3.1 Financial – Section 5.3.1
Brownfields input	Existing conditions – Section 5.3.2 Works to be completed during residual life – Section 5.3.2 Stockpiles – Section 5.3.2 Financial – Section 5.3.2
Waste Input	Waste – Section 5.3.1
Geometric input	Site constants – Section 5.3.3 Development programme – Section 5.3.3
Cost input	Sunk costs – Section 5.3.4 Planning and pre-development – Section 5.3.4 Base costs – Section 5.3.4 Development – Section 5.3.4 Operation – Section 5.3.4 Closure – Section 5.3.4 Aftercare – Section 5.3.4 Contingencies – Section 5.3.4

5.3.1 General input

The general input data include the following.

- **Situation** – selecting the Greenfields or Brownfields site development option.
- **Dates** – project commencement, operation commencement, duration of pre-development period, sunset date, duration of consented operating life, duration of actual operating life, duration of aftercare period.
- **Waste** – selecting the Custom Waste Tonnages or Generated Waste Tonnages option. If the Generated Waste Tonnages option is selected, the input data include the annual waste tonnage at the start of the operation, the annual waste growth/reduction rate, and the minimum annual waste tonnage. If the Custom Waste Tonnages option is selected, the input data need to be entered into the separate Waste Input worksheet. Input data relating to the waste stream (general and special waste proportions), waste charging (general and special waste), assumed compacted density, and target cover to waste ratio (hence volume utilisation), all form part of the General Input data irrespective of whether the Custom Waste Tonnages or Generated Waste Tonnages option is selected.
- **Financial** – the cost of capital (for planning and consenting, construction, operation, and aftercare), interest rate, and allowance to model real annual movement in the IBC (see section 5.4.21).

5.3.2 Brownfields input

The Brownfields input data include the following.

- **Existing conditions** – residual constructed airspace / constructed cell airspace remaining, life of residual airspace in constructed cell, footprint of existing landfill, continuing development (overlay or extension to footprint), stockpiles (volumes of existing topsoils, unsuitables, sub-topsoil, low permeability, and structural materials), opening / accumulated value of aftercare fund, capital cost to complete and close existing cell.
- **Opening asset value** – the Brownfields model requires an input related to the opening asset value of the existing landfill (see section 5.4.1).

5.3.3 Geometric input

The geometric input data include the following.

- **Site constants** – leachate generation (typical regional values or customised values), existing materials (topsoil, sub-topsoil, liner), landfill dimensions (liner, final cap), length of access road, length of boundary fence, timing of installation of leachate treatment and disposal, timing of gas management system installation.
- **Development programme** – quantities by cell associated with airspace, footprint, clearing, earthworks materials balance (topsoil, sub-topsoil, unsuitables, low permeability material, structural material, etc.), perimeter access road, subsoil drainage, leachate collection system, stormwater system, gas management system.
- **Cell Construction** – selecting the Cell Construction Staged in Equal Annual Amounts or Cell Construction Completed in Single Year option (see Appendix E: Typical Example).

5.3.4 Cost input

The cost input data include the following.

- **Initial/ sunk costs** for a Greenfields site or **existing asset value** for a Brownfields site.
- **Planning and pre-development** – project management, site selection, consultation, land pre-purchase/ pre-leasing arrangements, survey and preliminary design, geotechnical and groundwater investigations, other detailed studies (noise, traffic, visual, etc.), baseline monitoring, resource consent process (Assessment of Environmental Effects AEE and consent application, draft landfill management plan, legal, hearing, appeal), land acquisition and associated set-up costs, and proceeds from the disposal of excess land.
- **Base costs** – engineering (detailed design and documentation, and construction management), and contractors preliminary and general (P&G).
- **Development** – site access, site amenities and services, cell construction (earthworks, liner, and leachate), stormwater management system, gas management system, and final cover system.
- **Operation (direct and indirect costs)** – refuse placement, daily cover, nuisance control, general maintenance, salaries, wages and overhead, aftercare levy, royalty and/or host fees, intermediate cover, temporary roading, leachate treatment and disposal, monitoring and compliance, regional council costs, utility charges (rates, water, electricity) and bond.

- **Closure** – removal of facilities, modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems (final cover, landfill gas management system, leachate management system, on-site surface water control system, and design consultants/ third party engineering).
- **Aftercare** – administration, regional council liaison, site inspections, maintenance (of cover, vegetation, leachate system, gas system, stormwater system), environmental monitoring, removal of remaining facilities, and end of post-closure certification.
- **Contingencies** – contingencies for pre-development, development, operations, closure, and aftercare.

5.4 Landfill FCA model input costs and values

The following sub-sections provide guidance on some of the items. Indicative values or costs (range, typical and default costs or values) for items are provided in Appendix B by way of guidance.

Special note

You are strongly advised, before you take the results of this model beyond the initial drafting stage, to obtain advice on these inputs. The rates provided are for guidance only and are likely to alter according to relevant market and economic factors as well as site-specific data.

The sources – and therefore the accuracy – of costing information will depend on whether the site is an existing and operating landfill or a planned site, and the degree to which planning, resource consent processes and design have progressed.

Information sources will include:

- current site development costs
- operators of landfills of a similar size
- consultants' reports on landfill development
- contractor and supplier estimates and quotes
- tendered contract prices
- construction and contracting cost handbooks and indices.

5.4.1 Value of existing Brownfields asset

The Brownfields model requires an input related to the opening asset value of the existing landfill. This value should be as per Financial Reporting Standard 3 (FRS-3) or NZIV¹⁷ guidelines. You should consult your accountant(s) or specialised financial advisers to ensure that the value you input here is consistent with these standards and guidelines.

5.4.2 Initial/sunk costs

Only the costs that can be attributed directly to the site finally chosen should be included as initial/sunk costs in the FCA model. Typically these would include site selection (directly related to the proposed site), planning and site investigations.

5.4.3 Planning and pre-development costs

Project management

This covers all costs for management, administration and organisation overheads associated with the landfill during the pre-development phase of the project, including:

- salaries and wages and benefits for management and clerical staff
- accounting costs
- communications.

Site selection

Only the costs of research and investigations that can be attributed directly to the site finally chosen can be included in the model. Sources of information on the costs of landfill site selection include:

- internal cost records from previous siting studies
- local authority waste managers who have undertaken siting studies
- consultants' reports and/or proposals on site selection.

¹⁷ NZ Institute of Valuers. These guidelines are broadly consistent with FRS-3.

Consultation

The costs of consultation are specific to the project and should include public consultation (meetings, information bulletins, media releases, etc) as well as consultation with interested and affected parties. Sources of information on the costs of the consultation include:

- internal cost records from previous consultation processes
- managers of similar sites or projects
- consultants' reports and/or proposals on consultation costs.

Site investigations

The costs of survey and preliminary design, geotechnical and groundwater studies and other detailed investigations or studies (noise, traffic, visual, etc.) depend on the scale and significance of the project as well as the specific attributes of the site. Sources of information on the costs of site proving include:

- internal cost records from previous site-proving processes
- managers of similar sites or projects
- consultants' reports and/or proposals on site-proving costs.

Baseline monitoring

A preliminary site assessment and discussions with the regional council as well as specialist advice from consultants can provide a guide to baseline monitoring requirements and associated costs.

Resource consents

As with the site selection process, the resource consent process can be long and involve substantial cost. The time and cost can be expected to be greater for a new site than for an existing site. The resource consent process requires the following:

- extensive site investigations
- preliminary design
- consultation
- preparation of an assessment of effects on the environment in accordance with the fourth schedule of the RMA
- preparation of a landfill management plan
- pre-hearing meetings
- consent hearing
- (possibly) an Environment Court hearing
- (possibly) a High Court case.

In the model the resource consent item covers:

- AEE and consent application
- draft landfill management plan preparation
- legal
- hearing
- appeal.

Sources of information on the costs of the resource consent process include:

- internal cost records from previous consent processes
- managers of similar sites who have obtained resource consents
- consultants' reports and/or proposals on resource consent costs.

Land cost

Land cost covers the cost of all land purchased and used for the landfill. It includes the cost of any land bought for leachate and/or stormwater treatment, access roading and buffer areas, legal costs, and the cost of negotiations associated with land purchase.

In some cases land may be leased for any of the above activities. Here it is important to ensure that any financial costs associated with the lease are reflected in the discount rate and not in the operating costs. This will avoid any risk of double counting such costs. Generalised guidelines cannot be provided in these cases and specialist input should be obtained.

Current landfill siting and design requirements mean that the types and locations of land appropriate for development as a landfill in a district are limited. For new landfill sites the cost of land may be significantly higher than the value of the land under its existing use. This is a reflection of the market demand due to limited availability of appropriate land and the likelihood that the land is more valuable to a council, or community, as a landfill than in some alternative use.

5.4.4 Base costs

The base costs of engineering (detailed design and documentation, and construction management) and contractor's preliminary and general (P&G) associated with landfill development are included.

5.4.5 Site access costs

All intersection upgrades, other roading network upgrades/contributions, access road to the landfill footprint, and special structures (diversions, bridges, etc.) required to cater for increased traffic or increased vehicle loads due exclusively to the landfill should be included.

5.4.6 Site amenities and services

This item covers:

- site entrance
- administration building
- weighbridge and kiosk (weighbridge, weighbridge kiosk, cash registers and any computer hardware and software)
- machinery shed/ maintenance facility
- power and phone, sewerage, water supply
- general civil works (sealing, parking)
- washdown/wheel-wash facility
- fencing (site boundary and security fencing)
- landscaping (screening bunds, planting, etc.).

5.4.7 Groundwater control

This covers all costs associated with the installation of groundwater collection drains and discharge of groundwater from beneath the site.

5.4.8 Earthworks

This covers all costs associated with bulk earthworks for site preparation, including the costs of removing or importing material.

5.4.9 Liner construction

This covers all costs associated with purchase of liner materials, liner protection materials (including temporary protection), liner construction and additional site preparation required prior to the placement of liner materials. Also included are costs associated with testing liner materials and quality assurance/quality control procedures employed during liner construction.

The geometric and cost inputs for liner construction allow for the use of up to six different liner types. Each liner type can incorporate subgrade preparation, low permeability material (i.e. clay), synthetic liner (i.e. FML and/or GCL), a liner protection layer, and a leachate collection layer.

In many cases, a single liner type will be suitable for the whole landfill, however in some cases, differing liner types may be required such as where the sidewall liner type differs from the base or floor liner type. The difference may be as small as omission of, or reduction in, the thickness or material type of one layer in the proposed liner.

Each cell can use any combination of liner types, however the default is Liner Type 1. All residual footprint area not allocated to another liner type is allocated to Liner Type 1.

Apart from the low permeability material, all layers are costed per square metre. Therefore the unit rate costs entered in the **Cost Input** sheet for each layer must be calculated to take account of any relevant thickness variations. Any layer which is not required for a given liner type should have its cost deleted (or set to \$0) in the **Cost Input** sheet. Where low permeability material is not required for a particular liner type, its thickness should be set to zero in the **Geometric Input** sheet.

All geometric inputs are based on plan areas and not projected areas. Where slopes are particularly steep, some adjustment to the liner costs may be necessary to allow for the difference between the plan and projected areas.

At the initial project planning stage the type of liner may be unknown, and hence for this case the user should only input values for a default liner (Type 1).

The default liner suggested is the United States Environmental Protection Agency (USEPA) Subtitle D liner: a composite liner consisting of two components. The upper component must consist of a minimum 0.75mm (30 mil) flexible membrane liner (FML), and the lower component must consist of at least a 600 mm layer of compacted soil (clay) with a hydraulic conductivity of no more than 1×10^{-9} m/s. Under Subtitle D, FML components consisting of high density polyethylene (HDPE) must be at least 1.5 mm (60 mil) thick. It should be noted that the model does not automatically calculate or allow for a Subtitle D liner.

5.4.10 Leachate collection and transmission system

This covers all costs associated with the development of the system, including pipes, sumps, cleanout ports, manholes, automated pump station (pumps, valves, fittings and electrical) and collection layer.

5.4.11 Leachate treatment and disposal

This covers all costs associated with the development of the leachate pre-treatment / treatment and/or disposal system, including:

- construction of leachate retention ponds
- construction of a leachate pre-treatment / treatment plant
- development of a leachate irrigation system
- connection of the leachate collection system to the local sewerage system (where applicable).

The costs of the system may vary considerably depending on the method of treatment and disposal and the quantity and quality of leachate. The model provides the flexibility to include all treatment and disposal options, including short-, medium- and long-term methods of leachate management to deal with changes in leachate quality and quantity over the life of the facility.

5.4.12 Stormwater management

This item covers all costs associated with the construction of major stormwater diversion (for example, dams and canals), open drains, stabilised drains / flumes, piped drains, and stormwater treatment (ponds and instrumentation).

5.4.13 Landfill gas management

This item includes the installation of any landfill gas collection and monitoring bores, pipework, treatment systems, vents, flares and sampling points, both in and around the site.

For existing sites this item should include the cost of property purchase or installation of gas cut-off trenches and barriers to reduce gas hazards in the vicinity of the landfill site when these actions are required.

5.4.14 Final cover, capping and revegetation

This includes the cost of all cover material, revegetation and any placement of final cover and revegetation not accounted for in the daily operations budget or operations contract.

The placement of daily cover and intermediate cover is accounted for in the landfill operations.

5.4.15 Landfill operations

This item covers either the contract for day-to-day landfilling operations at the site, or the costs of site staff and plant operation. In some cases it may be a combination of the two. Included are all the day-to-day operations undertaken by the contractor or site staff, such as:

- on-site management
- maintenance of access
- working face preparation
- gate control and fee collection
- waste acceptance and inspection
- refuse placement and compaction
- the disposal of special wastes, such as date-expired products, material seized by customs, and quarantine wastes
- placement of daily, intermediate and final cover
- maintenance of cover and vegetation
- control of nuisances due to litter, noise, dust, vermin, birds and odours
- prevention of scavenging
- routine monitoring carried out by site staff
- maintenance of records not included in administration costs

- health and safety procedures.

Where a landfill is a component of a larger waste management system, administration and overhead costs related to the landfill should be separated out and charged directly to the landfill.

5.4.16 Monitoring

This item covers the cost of environmental and other monitoring not carried out by staff on site, along with associated expert advice, interpretation, record keeping and reporting, and external costs. The types of monitoring to be accounted for are:

- stormwater
- groundwater
- leachate
- landfill gas
- local ecology
- waste analysis surveys
- landfill topographic surveys to determine volume of refuse in place
- cost of regulator involvement.

This item includes the cost of installing monitoring facilities such as groundwater monitoring bores, surface water weirs and landfill gas monitoring bores during the operating life of the landfill. It also includes the purchase of specialist monitoring equipment, if required.

5.4.17 Host fees

Host fees, where applicable, are payments made to the local community affected by a landfill for appropriate community projects (for example, a community hall). They can take the form of lump sum grants or an amount per tonne of refuse accepted at the site, or a combination of the two, for the development and/or maintenance of community facilities. The value of host fees may be calculated during the resource consent process.

5.4.18 Closure and aftercare

The *Landfill Guidelines* (Centre for Advanced Engineering, 2000) state that the minimum time period for aftercare of a landfill is around 30 years. The full cost accounting process for a landfill includes all costs associated with the post-closure rehabilitation and aftercare of a site until such time as the appropriate regulatory authorities determine that it has no significant potential for adverse effects on the environment.

Regulatory authorities generally require the preparation of a closure and aftercare plan prior to completion of landfilling at a site.

If the landfill user charges are derived from the full cost analysis and reflect the costs of aftercare, then this proportion of the landfill income will not be spent until after the site is closed and (possibly) available for other uses.

For existing or new landfills, the opportunity exists to levy each tonne of solid waste disposed at the facility via the tipping fee as a disposal cost levy (section 542 of the Local Government Act) to provide the funds for these costs. Another method is to pay the costs of closure and post-closure using rates or taxes collected from the relevant community, or a combination of rates, taxes and disposal cost levy. If financial assurance for meeting future costs has not been implemented during the operational life of the now-closed facility, the costs of closure and post-closure will probably have to be met by the community in the form of rates and taxes.

5.4.19 Closure and aftercare costs

The impact of the decisions made in the first three stages of the project (see ‘Different WACCs for different Greenfields stages’, section 5.4.21) on the environment will be felt in this final stage as the site is restored to a useable state. There is considerable uncertainty over the rehabilitation liability taken on by a landfill operator once the landfill is closed, and also over quantifying the cost involved in the clean-up and rehabilitation phase of the project. Also, the estimated time frame for the rehabilitation and clean-up stage (15–30 years beyond the closure date of the landfill) of the project is fairly uncertain, with the highest projected monitoring period as long as 35 years after closure. This estimate is dependent on the location of the site selected (for example, drier terrain will increase the time required for the waste to decompose, and vice versa).

The methane gas produced by the landfill may be able to be used to incinerate the leachate and produce electricity, which would result in a reduction in the cost of stage 4. This option is dependent on where the landfill is situated (near a power station or population) and the amount of capital expenditure required. If this possibility were to be factored into the cashflows for stage 4 and then did not occur, for technical or economic reasons, unexpected stage 4 costs would result. This adds to the uncertainty surrounding the cost that will be incurred during this phase and the level of risk.

As a result, this post-closure exposure period is best characterised as one of low expected costs, ideally covered by amounts calculated and funded during the operating period. At the start of the project evaluation an estimate will be made of the closure and aftercare costs. The sum of these must be accumulated during the operation of the landfill taking into account current deposit rates. The model will need to reflect the accumulation of the ‘sinking fund’ when calculating the gate price per unit.

While there are some closure activities that are common to all landfill sites, others are site-specific and/or resource consent-specific. Typical closure activities include:

- construction of the final cover and maintenance
- gas management system completion and maintenance
- leachate management system completion and maintenance
- surface water management system completion and maintenance
- environmental monitoring.

It is important to reiterate that actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in Appendix B. The reader is also referred to *A Guide to the Management of Closing and Closed Landfills in New Zealand* (Ministry for the Environment, 2001b).

Closure and post-closure cost estimates are best developed using actual costs from current landfill operations, as well as historical costs from closure and post-closure activities. Changes

over time are likely to occur in the estimates due to increasing regulatory requirements and/or new technologies. The following major components of post-closure may be expected to decrease over time.

- *Leachate management:* the management of leachate has the potential to be the most expensive aspect of post-closure care. The decreases in volume of leachate produced at the site following final cover installation may reduce cost over time.
- *Compliance monitoring:* monitoring requirements of a landfill facility have increased since landfills have been consented under the RMA. However, if a facility is in environmental compliance, the regional council may reduce the frequency and extent of monitoring. Most landfill consent conditions include review provisions. Section 127 of the RMA allows consent holders to apply for a variation.
- *Gas management:* as the landfill ages and decomposition of refuse slows down, the production of LFG decreases, resulting in lower gas management costs.

Key financial considerations for closure and post-closure are as follows.

- In order to determine the cost of closure and post-closure care, the landfill owner/operator must determine the steps necessary, as required by the resource consent conditions, to close a facility as well as care for the facility post-closure.
- Closure and post-closure costs are scale-dependent and can be a significant part of the facility's tipping fee.
- Design, construction, operating practices and maintenance are all factors that influence potential closure and post-closure costs, as well as remediation or corrective actions.
- It is important to apply site-specific cost models when developing closure and post-closure cost estimates.
- Actual historical costs from site operations and construction activities should be used whenever possible. Cost guidelines and estimates from published sources should only be used as supplementary reference materials.
- Applying any 'typical' per hectare costs to sites should be avoided, as these could grossly underestimate or overestimate closure and post-closure costs.

5.4.20 Contingencies

Contingency costs associated with the pre-development, development and operation, closure and aftercare of the landfill should be included. Typically figures of between 5% and 25% are used, depending on the level of accuracy of the costs of the individual items in the analysis.

5.4.21 Cost of capital and weighted average cost of capital (WACC)

Introduction

The cost of capital is defined as the return investors in a firm or project expect to earn given the degree of risk associated with that firm or project. It represents the opportunity cost of investing in an asset with risk comparable to the asset being evaluated. For example, a relatively risky

venture, such as investing in oil exploration, has a higher cost of capital than investing in a utility company.

Cost of capital can then be used to ‘discount’ the cashflows of projects or businesses as investors are forgoing the opportunity in the intervening period. When used in this way future cash flows are converted to a ‘present value’, expressed in today’s dollars (a key component of the landfill model). Essentially, this discount factor accounts for both the ‘time value of money’ (a dollar today is worth more than a dollar in the future) and the riskiness of a project or business.

Calculating WACC

The commonly accepted cost of capital is the weighted average cost of capital, or WACC. The calculation of WACC is a relatively complex task and you should seek specialised advice from either your accountant(s) or external sources before calculating the required input. WACC is not directly equal to debt cost.

The formula below broadly outlines the approach that should be followed in order to calculate the WACC input for the model:

$$\text{WACC} = \left(\frac{\text{Debt}}{\text{Debt} + \text{Equity}} \right) \text{Cost of Debt} + \left(\frac{\text{Equity}}{\text{Debt} + \text{Equity}} \right) \text{Cost of Equity}$$

Where:

Debt = market value of debt

Equity = market value of equity

Cost of Debt = pre-tax return required by debtholders

Cost of Equity = pre-tax return that shareholders expect.

In short, WACC is a weighted average of the returns expected by debtholders and equity or shareholders for investing in an asset such as a landfill.

The cost of equity, or the risk-adjusted return required by shareholders, is not directly observable, but can be estimated using the capital asset pricing model (CAPM). This estimate is made as follows:

$$\text{Return to Equity} = \text{Risk free interest rate} + \left(\text{“Beta” of Equity} \times \text{Market risk premium} \right)$$

Where:

Risk free interest rate = the interest rate of risk free security

Market risk premium = the premium that the market returns over and above the risk free rate

“Beta” of Equity = the sensitivity of the returns of a firm’s shares to fluctuations in market returns.

Consistency of cashflows and discount rates

An important point to note in the context of both forms of this landfill model¹⁸ is that the WACCs used need to be estimated in pre-tax and real¹⁹ terms. This is because there needs to be consistency between the cashflows being discounted and the discount rate being applied. As the cashflows being discounted are before tax and ‘real’ (they are not adjusted for inflation), the discount factor or WACC must be consistent with this and so should be reflected in pre-tax real terms. Again, because of the complexity of this issue, you should seek specialised advice from either your accountant(s) or external sources before deciding on the appropriate discount rate.

Different WACCs for different Greenfields stages

A Greenfields landfill project can be divided into four specific stages based on the types of risks that an operator will be exposed to during its life. These stages are outlined below.

- *Stage 1: Planning and pre-development* – ensure that the project is technically and economically feasible, prepare construction plans, and obtain all required planning and resource consents. Note that this period also includes the cost of acquisition of the underlying land required for the landfill and hence there will be an overall negative cashflow in this stage, as no revenue will be generated.
- *Stage 2: Development* – build the necessary landfill, lock volume commitments in place, and ultimately get the gates open. This phase again includes only negative cashflows.
- *Stage 3: Operating* – manage the day-to-day operations of the site, continue to source volume, and expand the landfill as necessary.
- *Stage 4: Aftercare* – close the site in the agreed manner, managing any on-going environmental exposure and closure risks. This phase is expected to last 15–30 years beyond the closure date, before all residual or potential liabilities can be safely assumed to have passed.

Examples of the level of WACC risk rating that each different stage would attract are indicated below. The differing discount rates will reflect the quite different risks faced in each phase of a landfill project. For example, typically the site selection phase is inherently more risky than the operation phase because of the relatively greater risks inherent in finding suitable sites.

Table 2: Examples of WACC ratings at different stages of a landfill

	Stage 1	Stage 2	Stage 3	Stage 4
Project stages	Planning and pre-development	Development	Operating	Aftercare
WACC risk rating	Venture capital	Building company	Operating company	Operating company

Note that in the case of a Brownfields landfill, only one WACC is required – relating to that of a landfill operating company. From stage 3, the risks are representative of the business risks of the landfill.

¹⁸ Greenfields and Brownfields.

¹⁹ As distinct from nominal, or including the effects of inflation.

Indicative WACC values

As you may note the model already has data in the **Cost of Capital** data entry cells. These values are as follows.

Table 3: WACC for different stages of landfill development

	WACC*
Planning and pre-development	25%
Development	25%
Operating	10%
Aftercare	10%

* This should be expressed in real, pre-tax terms.

However, note that these default values are inserted only to enable the model to generate an IBC value.

Before taking the results of this model beyond an initial drafting stage, you are strongly advised to obtain advice on these inputs. These rates are likely to alter depending on relevant market and economic parameters.

6 Income Streams

Incomes from the landfill, or various components of the waste management system, may be included in the FCA analysis. Income can arise from the following sources and activities:

- landfill user charges
- uniform annual charges for waste management services in rates
- lease of land not used for landfilling purposes
- sale of trees or crops
- sale of landfill gas (this income may continue after landfill closure)
- sale of excavated material
- sale of rubbish bags
- sale of recyclables
- sale of compost
- income from rates.

In assessing income it is important to recognise the influence of other components of the waste system and the changing nature and quantity of residual waste to landfill. In some cases waste tonnages can be accurately forecast and hence income can similarly be forecast accurately. However, in other situations, commercial waste ‘control’, or changing residual waste quantities – such as a result of waste reduction or recycling initiatives, waste diversion, provision of alternate (cheaper) residual disposal facilities – can have a major effect on income, both short and long term, and hence can significantly affect landfill economics.

A key decision for TLA waste managers is the structuring of user charges – the basis of the ‘income’ component of the model. The specifics vary from case to case, but a key advantage of the FCA model is that the effect of changing tonnages and incomes can be readily modelled and the effects on gate rates and landfill development programmes rapidly re-assessed. This enables changes to be made to development planning and charging to suit changes in circumstances. In the case of Brownfields models, the sensitivity of the IBC and hence gate rate to changing waste tonnage/income needs to be carefully assessed, as such landfills can be susceptible to significant indicated movements in the IBC due to the effects of reducing waste tonnages.

7 Model User Guide

7.1 Introduction

The FCA model has been designed and developed to be easy to use. This section looks at how the FCA model was developed and provides general instructions and helpful hints for using the model to estimate the IBC for a landfill.

Specifically, section 7.2 focuses on the scope of the model and its underlying structure, including:

- suggested uses of the model
- underlying assumptions
- cost sources
- parameters relevant to landfill activities included in the model
- parameters considered but not included in the model
- model default values.

Section 7.3 provides additional specific assumptions used in developing the model and general instructions, tips, and examples for using the FCA model spreadsheet, including:

- data to collect for model input
- how to input data to the model
- how to adjust default cost values included in the model or override them with actual cost values
- the flexibility of the model.

Special note

Before continuing through this document, either download the FCA model to your computer to become familiar with it, or review the worksheets and other information included in Appendices A (Landfill FCA Model Overview, Structure and Algorithm Flowcharts), B (Model Input Costs – Default Values) and E (Landfill FCA Model Typical Example – District Landfill Site) of this document.

7.2 Scope of the FCA model

The formulae of the FCA model and its option buttons, macros, and other features are embedded in a Microsoft Excel Workbook. This format makes the model an easy-to-use cost analysis tool which is in a popular software platform.

The FCA Model is available on CD and also as a download from www.mfe.govt.nz (always the latest version available).

Intended users of the FCA model include both private sector and local authority waste officers/managers. As indicated in Table 4 below, the model can be used to assess landfill full cost.

Table 4: Potential uses of the FCA model

<p>Estimate the indicative base cost of disposal (IBC) for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • a Greenfields site • a Brownfields site 	<p>Assess costs for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • each aspect of a landfill from pre-development, development, operation, and closure through to and including aftercare.
<p>Conduct cost analyses for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • comparing various potential landfill sites • comparing the landfill option with other disposal options • effects on the IBC of implementing waste strategies (waste minimisation, waste to landfill reduction targets). 	<p>Compile or accrue actual costs for:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • historical and trend analyses • budget development and forecasting • goal setting • performance measurement.

The summary outputs allow you to analyse costs and adjust them by conducting ‘what-if’ analyses of specific parameters.

Before making the FCA model available to the public, its underlying assumptions, parameters, layout and usability as well as the spreadsheet’s formulae and calculations were tested using actual landfill data gathered from several local authorities. The rest of this section discusses the assumptions and cost sources used in the model, parameters included and not included in the model, and the FCA model’s default values.

7.2.1 Assumptions and cost sources

Several key assumptions used throughout the model are discussed below. Additional assumptions are presented throughout this Guide.

- 1 The FCA model user has collected data for the model input worksheets – **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, and **Cost Input**. Furthermore, the user understands the Full Cost Accounting concepts.
- 2 A New Zealand landfill would be consented under the RMA and developed and operated in accordance with modern best practice.
- 3 The model input costs (Appendix B) provide guidance on indicative costs (range, typical and default costs or values) for items scheduled in the model **Cost Input** worksheet. The rates provided are for guidance only and are likely to alter depending on relevant market and economic parameters, as well as site-specific data or conditions.
- 4 The FCA model excludes the items listed in Section 5.2 and Appendix C of this document.
- 5 The FCA model excludes inflation.
- 6 The FCA model excludes goods and services tax (GST).
- 7 The FCA model may be used for planning a new landfill facility, developing a specific site, or an existing landfill (with or without further development).

- 8 The FCA model output (the indicative base cost of disposal) excludes related intangible costs or other charges such as recovery of costs from previous undercharging and taxes considerations. In order to convert the IBC output to a post-tax estimate, it will be necessary to obtain specialist advice.

Use of the FCA model requires the compilation of cost data into an appropriate form to determine landfill unit costs, and hence the IBC.

The cost values used in the FCA model are primarily derived from known or published unit costs for all capital and non-capital expenditure. Where appropriate, estimates have been made in the light of expected engineering requirements and/or standards applicable to modern landfill design and operation, which have been brought into focus through recent consent processes.

Other sources of cost and conversion values that could be used in the model include:

- current site-development costs
- operators of landfills of a similar size
- consultants' reports on landfill development
- contractor and supplier estimates and quotes
- tendered contract prices
- construction and contracting cost handbooks and indices.

7.2.2 Parameters included

The model is based on up to 11 information parameters and eight cost parameters relevant to landfill full cost accounting, as given in Section 5 (Table 1). These parameters correspond to the item categories/headings in the model input worksheets (**General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, and **Cost Input**), which provide the space for entering most data.

7.2.3 Parameters not included

A variety of cost parameters associated with landfill management could not be included in the model because:

- either limited cost data would be available to the model user; or
- gathering the cost data would be too burdensome or complicated; or
- the information was outside the definition of 'full cost' adopted for this Guide.

Such parameters include those listed in Section 5.2 and Appendix C. Although these parameters are not specifically used in the model, the model has the space and flexibility for you to manually enter additional cost items if the necessary data are available. You can do this by adding the information as a line item unit cost on the **Summary** worksheet. It is assumed that these additional costs have been derived outside the model (see Appendix A).

7.3 Using the FCA model

This section presents background information and general guidance for using the FCA model.

7.3.1 Hardware and software requirements

To operate the FCA model you will need to have an IBM-compatible personal computer and Microsoft Excel for Windows 97.

The model is an electronic spreadsheet. You can enter information (numbers or text) into *white* data entry cells, as well as selecting from the various check boxes, options buttons, and drop-down lists.

7.3.2 Getting started

- 1 The spreadsheet has been scanned for viruses, but if you are concerned then scan the spreadsheet before use. Excel's built-in macro virus protection will need to be turned off to use the model.
- 2 Open the file titled FCA Model. Before the model is completely operable, a security dialogue box may automatically pop up. At this point, you should press the Enable Macros button. The spreadsheet will then open and be fully available for use.
- 3 Immediately save this spreadsheet under a different name so that you always have an unchanged master copy. Each time you assess a new site or development options for the same site, save the spreadsheet under a new file name to avoid overwriting or loss of data on the last site or option you assessed using the model.
- 4 The spreadsheet has page tabs at the bottom titled **Version History**, **Instructions**, **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, **Cost Input**, **Summary**, **Cashflow Detail**, **Cashflow Summary**, **Cashflow Chart** and **IBC Chart**. The **Version History** page is for information only and records model corrections and modifications. The page tab for **Waste Input** is shown only if the Custom Waste Tonnages option is selected by the user. Similarly the **Brownfields Input** is shown only if the Brownfields option is selected by the user.
- 5 Clicking on a tab will select a worksheet in which data can be entered or reviewed. In the FCA model data may only be entered in the **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, and **Cost Input** worksheets. Limited data may also be entered on the **Summary** worksheet once the IBC has been calculated. The remaining worksheets are read-only. Blank copies of the **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input** and **Cost Input** worksheets are provided in Appendix F.

7.3.3 Using the model input worksheets – General Input, Brownfields Input, Geometric Input and Cost Input Worksheet

The model input worksheets are designed to be easy to use. All you need to do is look for the words ‘Start Here’ on the **Instructions** worksheet. Then follow the instructions and enter data as you work your way through each white data entry cell of the worksheet. When you have finished inputting data to that worksheet, clicking on the button on the bottom of that worksheet will automatically take you to the start of the next input worksheet.

The model input worksheets (**General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input** and **Cost Input**) are where you will input all your data. Each of these sheets is divided into the parameters and the individual items that correspond to the various aspects of landfill management. In some cases the scheduled items will have drop-down menus, data-entry cells, check boxes, option buttons, tip boxes, error warnings, and colour-coded text and cells to help you as you move through them as follows.

- *Drop-down lists* allow you to select from a list of default options.
- *Check boxes* allow you to answer a yes/ no question by checking or unchecking the box.
- *Option buttons* allow you to select between two or more different options by clicking on the adjacent circle.
- *Tip boxes* coloured *pale yellow* drop down from some cells to indicate typical values and valid ranges.
- *Data-entry cells* are the only cells in which you can enter data and are coloured *white*. All the other cells are write-protected, so you don’t have to worry about accidentally deleting default values or formulae. Data in *grey* text can be changed but is currently not in use by the model for the scenario (either Greenfields or Brownfields) being developed.
- *Errors/warnings* are provided in *red* to help validate certain items of data. During initial data entry warnings may appear before data are fully entered in all the worksheets. Don’t worry. The warnings should be rechecked and fixed once data entry is complete and before solving the model (solving is accomplished by pressing the *Solve IBC for Zero NPV* button at the bottom of the **Cost Input** worksheet).

7.3.4 Inserting data

The following sections cover data input instruction and hints.

Table 5: General input parameters data entry

Data cell	What to input
Situation	Select option button for Greenfields Site or a Brownfields Site.
Project commencement date	Enter full date (e.g. 1 January 2002 as 01/01/2002).
Operation commencement date	Enter full date (e.g. 1 January 2005 as 01/01/2005).
Commencement date of operation in new airspace	Calculated automatically.
Pre-development period/ assumed life of residual airspace	Calculated automatically.
Time of land purchase	Enter time (must be within the pre-development period).
Time of excess land sale	Enter time (must be within the operational life of the landfill).
Sunset date	Enter date, which will then display the consented life – the default is 35 years (under RMA maximum consent period).
Actual operating life	Calculated automatically, based on other input data (will not exceed consented life).
Aftercare period	Enter number of years (usually between 20 and 30 years).
Waste	Select option button for Custom Waste Tonnages or Generated Waste Tonnages. Selecting the Custom Waste Tonnages option will unhide the page tab titled Waste Input . Enter custom annual waste tonnage as tonnes/year (t/yr) or million tonnes/year (Mt/yr) using the same units used on the General Input sheet. If the Generated Waste Tonnages option is selected, enter annual waste tonnage data and annual waste growth rate or reduction as outlined below.
Annual waste tonnage at start of operation	Enter as tonnes/year (t/yr) or million tonnes/year (Mt/yr)
Annual waste growth rate or reduction	Enter as +/- a fixed tonnage, or a percentage per annum.
Minimum allowable annual waste tonnage	Enter the minimum allowable tonnage for an operational landfill. (If for some reason the tonnage falls below this figure, the model will assume that the landfill closes on the date the tonnage reaches that figure.)
Waste stream characteristics	Enter percentage that is general refuse (e.g. if 100 % then the special waste proportion of the total waste stream will automatically display as 0 %).
Waste charging	Enter the relative disposal charges anticipated for various tiers of waste (i.e. the require % premium to be charged for special waste over the base charge).
Assumed compacted waste density (excluding cover)	Select from drop-down box (tonnes/m ³).
Target cover (daily and intermediate) to waste ratio	Select from drop-down box (hence volume utilisation in metres ³ /tonne is automatically displayed)
Cost of capital	Enter percentage for each stage of the project (see section 5.4.21 of this document).
Interest rate	Enter rate at 0.5% higher than the 10-year Government Bond Rate.

IBC	Option buttons allow the user to select between using IBC real annual movement or ramping the IBC from an initial (user entered) value to a final (unknown or goal seek) value over a set period of time. These options are outlined below.
IBC real annual movement	<p>Select option button to apply real annual movement to IBC over whole operating life.</p> <p>Enter as +/- percentage if required (i.e. if 0% then the IBC does not change over the life of the landfill - since inflation is not incorporated in the model).</p>
Ramp IBC from initial (user entered) value to a final (unknown or goal seek) value over a set period of time	<p>Select option button to ramp IBC from initial (known) value to a final (unknown) value over a set period.</p> <p>Enter initial value (e.g. enter 30 for \$30/t)</p> <p>Enter year of operation from which to start ramping IBC (e.g. enter 2 for 2nd year of operation)</p> <p>Enter year of operation in which to finish ramping IBC (e.g. enter 20 for 20th year of operation).</p> <p>Once the model has been solved, the <i>IBC Chart</i> will show the IBC on an annual basis over the model duration.</p>

Table 6: Brownfields input data entry

(See sections 5.1, 5.3.2 and 5.4.1).

Data cell	What to input
Volume and area units	Select from dropdown box. Brownfields Input and Geometric Input worksheets must use the same units.
Residual constructed airspace at project commencement date of new project	Enter estimate of residual airspace in Mm ³ or m ³ (depending on which box was checked at the start).
Life of residual airspace	Calculated automatically (based on the relevant date entered in the General Input worksheet).
Footprint of existing landfill	Enter estimate of footprint area in Ha or m ² (depending on which box was checked at the start).
Nature of continuing development	Check box for Overlay or Extension to Footprint as appropriate.
Existing flare station	Checking this box means there is an existing flare station in place that will be utilised for the new development as well.
Existing leachate pre-treatment	Checking this box means there is an existing leachate pre-treatment facility in place that will be utilised for the new development as well.
Existing leachate disposal	Checking this box means there is a leachate disposal system in place that will be utilised for the new development as well.
Stormwater works to be completed during residual life of airspace already constructed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Stormwater open drains – enter length in metres • Stabilised drains/ flumes – enter length in metres • Piped drains – enter length in metres.
Gas system works to be completed during residual life of airspace already constructed	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Horizontal collection pipework – enter length in metres • Vertical extraction wells – enter length in metres • Main header pipe – enter length in metres • Laterals to verticals – enter length in metres • Condensate traps – enter number.
Final cap to be completed on residual airspace	Enter area in Ha or m ² (depending on which box was checked at the start).
Stockpiles	Volumes of existing stockpiles for topsoil, unsuitables, sub-topsoil, low permeability material, and structural material – enter estimate of volume in Mm ³ or m ³ (depending on which box was checked at the start).
Value of aftercare fund that has been accumulated to date or amount to be set aside as a start-up fund if nothing has been collected.	Enter \$ lump sum.
Waste	For the Brownfields situation waste data is input in the General Inputs sheet as outlined in Table 5 of this section.

Table 7: Geometric input data entry

Data cell	What to input
Volume and area units	Select from dropdown box; Brownfields Input and Geometric Input worksheets must use the same units.
Leachate generation	Select options button for typical values for region that automatically selects typical values for the location displayed or custom values which need to then be inserted by the user.
Assumed in situ topsoil depth	Enter depth in metres.
Depth of sub-topsoil to be recovered	Enter depth in metres (you may also choose whether or not sub-topsoil layer is to be recovered from fill areas).
Liner	Enter thickness of low permeability material (i.e. compacted clay) in metres for each type of liner to be used as outlined in section 5.4.9. Also refer Appendix E – Typical Example.
Final cover layer	Enter thickness of each of the proposed components (topsoil, sub-topsoil, low permeability layers) in metres.
Main landfill access road	Enter length in kilometres.
Length of boundary fence	Enter length in metres.
Leachate pre-treatment facility installation	Enter number of years after commencing landfill operation. Zero or nothing means it will not be installed.
Leachate disposal system	Enter number of years after commencing landfill operation. Zero or nothing means that it will not be installed.
Landfill flares	Enter percentage of way through life when the flares will be installed (zero or nothing means that it will not be installed).
Net airspace	Enter estimate of airspace required for each cell from preliminary design or for a required life (duration) for each cell. Enter in Mm^3 or m^3 (depending on which box was checked at the start)
Cell Construction	The model allows the user to select the option of cell construction in staged equal annual amounts or cell construction completed in a single year. Select button for option preferred.
Development Programme parameters	Enter estimate of footprint area of each cell and liner type based on a theoretical landfill configuration or from preliminary design for a specific site. Enter in Ha or m^2 (depending on which box was checked at the start). Similar estimates may be made for disturbed area, area of the fill zone (both inside and outside the footprint), area to be cleared (allowance should be made for areas cleared for access, ponds, perimeter track, etc.), bush area to be cleared, area of specialised sub-grade treatment, area of liner protection, and final cap area. Estimates should be made of the required cut (existing grade to base grade), useable liner from this cut area, the required fill (existing grade to base grade), useable liner from this fill area, and unsuitables volume/ proportion in the fill area. Enter in Mm^3 or m^3 (depending on which box was checked at the start). The accuracy of these estimates depends whether a specific investigated site or a generic site is modelled. Earthworks quantities are automatically calculated from the data above to achieve a materials balance.
Landfill perimeter access track	Enter length in metres.
Subsoil drainage	Enter length in metres.
Leachate collection system	Enter proposed system (header pipes, collection pipes, sumps, clean-out) quantities in metres or numbers as appropriate.

Stormwater open drains, stabilised flumes, and piped drains	Enter length in metres.
Gas management system (horizontal collection pipework, vertical extraction well, header pipes, laterals to vertical wells, and condensate traps)	Enter in metres and numbers as appropriate.

Cost input data entry

It is important to note that for those variables that require dollar value estimates, the user should input the value in *today's* dollars, even if this variable is relevant for a future period.

There is no need for the user to account for inflation in providing these estimates. The model automatically accounts for dollar value inputs being in today's dollars, and produces output in today's dollars. That is, inflation is not incorporated in the model.

There is provision for the user to insert certain additional items by way of "Custom Inputs". Each custom input is allocated to the model in a different way. The method of allocation is explained in the **Cost Input** worksheet.

Special note

Where a particular item is not wanted in the situation being modelled, a zero (\$0) should be entered against it.

Cost Input data cover the following.

Sunk costs/asset value

(See sections 5.1, 5.3.2 and 5.4.21.)

- Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 8: Planning and pre-development

Data cell	What to input
Project management	Enter \$ lump sum which is then equally distributed per year over the duration of the pre-development period.
Site selection	Enter \$ lump sum.
Consultation	Enter \$ lump sum.
Land pre-purchase/ pre-leasing agreements	Enter \$ lump sum.
Survey and preliminary design	Enter \$ lump sum.
Geotechnical and groundwater investigations	Enter \$ lump sum.
Other detailed studies (noise, traffic, visual, archaeological, etc.)	Enter \$ lump sum.
Baseline monitoring	Enter \$ lump sum.

Resource consent process (AEE and consent application, draft landfill management plan, legal fees, hearing, and appeal)	Enter \$ lump sum for each item.
Land acquisition and other associated costs	Enter \$ lump sum.
Proceeds from the disposal of excess land	Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 9: Base costs

Data cell	What to input
Engineering– detailed design and documentation and construction management	Enter %.
Contractors preliminary and general	Enter %.

Table 10: Development – site access

Data cell	What to input
Intersection upgrade (main road or state highway)	Enter \$ lump sum.
Other roading/ network contributions	Enter \$ lump sum.
Landfill access road (main road to footprint)	Enter \$/km.
Special structures (diversions, bridges, etc.)	Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 11: Development – site amenities

Data cell	What to input
Site entrance	Enter \$ lump sum.
Administration building	Enter \$ lump sum.
Weighbridge and gatehouse/kiosk	Enter \$ lump sum.
Machinery shed/maintenance facility	Enter \$ lump sum.
Power and phone	Enter \$ lump sum.
Sewerage	Enter \$ lump sum.
Water supply	Enter \$ lump sum.
General civil works (amenities area, earthworks, sealing, parking)	Enter \$ lump sum.
Wheelwash/wash-down facility	Enter \$ lump sum.
Fencing	Enter \$/m.
Landscaping	Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 12: Development – cell construction (earthworks, liner, leachate)

Data cell	What to input
Sediment control structures and measures	Enter \$ lump sum. This sum will be applied to each cell.
Clearing	Enter \$/m ² .
Clearing bush	Enter \$/m ² .
Perimeter road	Enter \$/m.
Topsoil – cut to stockpile	Enter \$/m ³ .
Unsuitables – cut to stockpile	Enter \$/m ³ .
Sub-topsoil – cut to stockpile, stockpile to liner, cut to fill as liner, and borrow to fill as liner	Enter \$/m ³ .
Low permeability material	Enter \$/m ³ .
Structural material – cut to stockpile, stockpile to fill, cut to fill, and borrow to fill	Enter \$/m ³ .
Groundwater control/subsoil drainage	Enter \$/m.
Preparation of subgrade for laying liner	Enter \$/m ² for each liner type Set to zero where this feature doesn't apply to a particular liner type. Refer section 5.4.9 and the Typical Example in Appendix E
Specialised subgrade treatment	Enter \$/m ² .
Liner supply and installation (synthetic)	Enter \$/m ² for each liner type. Set to zero where this feature doesn't apply to a particular liner type. Refer section 5.4.9 and the Typical Example in Appendix E
Liner protection layer	Enter \$/m ² for each liner type. Set to zero where this feature doesn't apply to a particular liner type. Refer section 5.4.9 and the Typical Example in Appendix E
Leachate collection:	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leachate collection header pipes (including fittings, etc.) – enter \$/m. • Auxiliary leachate collection pipes (including fittings, etc.) – enter \$/m. • Leachate collection sump – enter \$ for each. • Clean-out ports – enter \$ for each. • Automated pumpstation (pumps, valves, fittings and electrical) – enter \$. • Leachate collection layer – enter \$/m² for each liner type. Set to zero where this feature doesn't apply to a particular liner type. Refer section 5.4.9 and the Typical Example in Appendix E
Leachate pre-treatment facility	HDPE lined lagoon, aerators and temporary leachate collection and storage tanks – enter \$ lump sum.
Leachate disposal system	Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 13: Development – stormwater management system

Data cell	What to input
Major stormwater diversions (e.g. dams, canals, etc.)	Enter \$ lump sum.
Open drains	Enter \$/m.
Stabilised drains/ flumes	Enter \$/m.
Piped drains	Enter \$/m.
Stormwater treatment – pond and instrumentation	Enter \$ lump sum.

Table 14: Development – gas management system

Data cell	What to input
Horizontal collectors	Enter \$/m.
Vertical extraction wells	Enter \$/m.
Ring header (below grade)	Enter \$/m.
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	Enter \$/m.
Condensate traps	Enter \$ each.
Flare stations – interim and final	Enter \$ each.

Table 15: Development – final cover system

Data cell	What to input
Topsoil – stockpile to final cover and import topsoil to final cover	Enter \$/m ³ .
Unsuitables – stockpile to final cover and shortfall to make up with sub-topsoil	Enter \$/m ³ .
Sub-topsoil – stockpile to final cover and borrow to final cover	Enter \$/m ³ .
Low permeability material – stockpile to final cover, cut to final cover, and borrow to final cover	Enter \$/m ³ .
Geosynthetic layer	Enter \$/m ² .
Drainage layer	Enter \$/m ² .
Vegetation (grassing)	Enter \$/m ² .

Table 16: Operations

Data cell	What to input
Refuse placement	Enter range of \$/tonne. This is a significant cost item, but is a non-capital expenditure item and hence has no financing/interests costs associated with it. Any decrease or increase in the operation cost will result in a directly equivalent decrease or increase in the (IBC).
Daily cover	Enter range of \$/tonne. (Note that this is \$/tonne of refuse placed and not \$/m ³ .)
Nuisance control (litter, odour, birds, vectors)	Enter range of \$/year.
General maintenance	Enter range of \$/year.
Salaries wages and overhead – onsite management, gate control and fee collection, audit fees, secretarial fees, accounting fees, legal, consultants, insurance, waste acceptance and inspection, and health and safety	Enter range of \$/year.
Aftercare levy	Calculates automatically during <i>Solve IBC for Zero NPV</i> (\$/tonne).
Royalty and host fee	Enter \$/tonne.
Intermediate cover	Enter \$/tonne.
Temporary/cell roading	Enter \$/tonne.
Leachate treatment and disposal	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Trucking prior to treatment installation – enter \$/m³ • Operation after treatment installation – enter \$/m³. • Trade waste discharge for untreated leachate – enter \$/m³ • Trade waste charge for treated leachate – enter \$/m³.
Gas control	Enter \$/ha/year.
Stormwater maintenance	Enter \$/year.
Monitoring – stormwater, groundwater, leachate, landfill gas, local ecology)	Enter \$/year.
Environmental compliance	Enter \$/year.
Bond	Enter \$ lump sum.
Regional council costs	Enter \$/year.
Rates	Enter \$/year.
Water charges, electricity charges	Enter \$/year.

Table 17: Closure

Data cell	What to input
Removal of facilities	Enter \$ lump sum.
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Final cover – enter % of construction cost. • Landfill gas system – enter % of construction cost. • Leachate management – enter % of construction cost. • On-site surface water control system – enter % of construction cost. • Design/engineering – enter % of construction cost.

Table 18: Aftercare

Data cell	What to input
Administration	Enter \$/year.
Regional council liaison	Enter \$/year.
Site inspection	Enter \$/ha/year.
Final cover system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Inspection – enter \$/ha/year. • Maintenance – enter \$/ha/yr. • Vegetation maintenance – enter \$/ha/year.
Leachate system maintenance	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Leachate disposal – enter \$/m³. • System maintenance – enter \$/ha/year. • Electricity – enter \$/ha/year.
Gas system maintenance	Enter \$/ha/year.
Environmental monitoring system	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Groundwater – enter \$/ha/year. • Landfill gas – \$/ha/yr. • Leachate – enter \$/ha/yr. • Stormwater – enter \$/ha/yr.
Removal of remaining facilities	Enter \$ (lump sum).
End of post-closure certification	Enter \$ (lump sum).

Table 19: Contingencies

Data cell	What to input
Pre-development	Enter %.
Development	Enter %.
Operations	Enter %.
Closure	Enter %.
Aftercare	Enter %.

7.3.5 Using default values or user-supplied values

Cost estimates can be calculated using the FCA model's default values, user-entered actual values that override the default values, or a combination of default and actual values. Cost can be quickly estimated using the model's default values. More accurate cost estimates can be generated by collecting and entering actual data specific to a site or geographic location.

In general, the more data gathered and entered into the model, the more accurate its output will be. For these reasons you should (1) identify and gather specific information on your site and on local costs (labour, equipment, material, etc.), and (2) become familiar with the scope of your specific project.

The default values used in the FCA model are considered to be national averages and should be adjusted to reflect local conditions wherever possible.

Appendix B provides tables of all of the default values used in the model. You may enter your own values in the appropriate *white* data entry cells in the **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input**, and the **Cost Input** worksheets. This process allows you to customise the model according to your specific case.

7.3.6 Using the summary and cashflow sheets and charts

The **Summary** worksheet is a summary of all of the critical inputs and outputs of the model. When you have worked through the **General Input**, **Brownfields Input**, **Waste Input**, **Geometric Input** and the **Cost Input** sheets, go back over all the input sheets to look for any error warnings (in *red*). If there are no warnings, press *Calculate IBC for Zero NPV* button at the bottom of the **Cost Input** sheet. This will calculate the IBC and automatically display it on the **Summary** sheet. You may then:

- add a mark-up / margin to the derived IBC; and
- add unit costs of other items in the blank *white* data entry cells/spaces provided (for example, refuse collection costs, transfer station costs, freight costs, recycling costs, green waste / composting costs, education/ waste minimisation costs, and other costs which the model does not derive but which have been calculated or estimated outside the model). The waste management system may include costs associated with assets other than the landfill itself (for example, existing or new transfer stations). The costs of operating existing transfer stations can be included as a unit cost in the blank *white* data entry cells.

This completes the model run. In addition to the **Summary** sheet you can print the following reports for the modelling scenario:

- *Cashflow Detail* – full tabulation of costs and income over the duration of the model. The forecast annual waste tonnage is also shown in this table.
- *Cashflow Summary* – summary tabulation of annual costs under the main cost input parameter headings and income over the duration of the model. The forecast annual waste tonnage is also shown in this table.
- *Cashflow Chart* – gives a graphical output showing the income, expenditure and cashflow, along with the value of the aftercare fund and the forecast annual waste tonnage. The graphical output covers the model duration plus the aftercare period. You should click on the ‘Set Chart Limits’ button on the **Cashflow Chart** sheet to reset the timeline once the IBC has been solved.
- *IBC Chart* – gives a graphical output showing the IBC on an annual basis over the model duration. You should click on the ‘Set Chart Limits’ button on the **IBC Chart** sheet to reset the timeline once the IBC has been solved.

All sheets may be viewed and printed. The print set-up of any worksheet may be altered by choosing Page Set-up from the File menu.

Note: A typical example of a Greenfields district landfill facility development is included as Appendix E.

8 Expanding the Model: Other Waste Management System Costs

This section lists the cost items associated with other waste management facilities and services that would be included if an FCA analysis were expanded to include all waste management system costs.

Landfill managers may also operate other waste management facilities and/or services. A full costing of the system should be carried out including these components as detailed.

To calculate the costs of these other facilities and services, a detailed FCA analysis may need to be undertaken for each of the components in the same manner as recommended for landfills.

8.1 Management and administration

This covers all costs associated with management, administration and organisation overheads for the waste management system.

8.2 Planning

This covers short- and long-term planning costs relating to the waste management system which are not included in the management and administration category. These costs may be combined with the administration and management costs.

8.3 Education and promotion

This includes all costs associated with education and the promotion of waste management services and waste minimisation. Some or all of these costs may be accounted for in the management or administration costs, or specific items relating to collection, disposal and waste minimisation.

8.4 Refuse collection

This is the annual cost of refuse collection services. The cost of disposal charges paid for landfilling of collected refuse can be included provided this is also included as an income in the system costing.

8.5 Composting

The income from tipping charges and sale of product should be included in the system income.

8.6 Recycling

The income from sale of recyclables should be included in the system income, net of any implementation or system costs.

9 Illegal Dumping

Sometimes changing from a low-cost gate rate to one reflecting full cost can result in significant increases in the gate rate. This increases the risk of illegal dumping occurring, and TLA managers in particular need to consider the risk, implications and prevention methods required to overcome this problem.

Illegal dumping is disposal of waste in an unauthorised or non-dedicated area. If not addressed, illegal dumps often attract more dumping. The health risks of illegal dumping can be significant, and the costs to local government of cleaning up illegal dump sites can be significant.

9.1 Preventing illegal dumping

Programmes need to be specific and targeted. Successful programmes are founded on:

- leadership and support of local government
- co-operation among authorities, community, and industry
- an integrated approach
- publicising success.

The principal tools are:

- maintenance and control of existing or historical dump sites or locations
- community involvement
- targeted enforcement
- programme monitoring.

We will now look at each of these tools in detail.

9.2 Site maintenance and control

Clean-up projects require a co-ordinated effort. Local government and community groups can assist in landscaping and aesthetic improvements. Sites must be cleaned up before health and safety hazards develop, and a plan must be developed to remove any dumped materials and keep sites clean.

Many illegal dumping areas continue to experience problems after being cleaned up. Signs, lighting and barriers can be used to reduce or eliminate continued dumping in a given area. In addition, a plan needs to be in place to maintain the dump area and remove any materials that are dumped.

9.3 Community involvement

9.3.1 Community programmes

Community programmes established to organise special waste clean-up events and support community-oriented policing can be effective in tackling illegal dumping problems. Many regional councils and city or district councils (including Auckland Regional Council, Auckland City Council, Canterbury Regional Council, Christchurch City Council) have programmes in place.

The focus of any community involvement should be to teach residents:

- what can be done to prevent illegal dumping
- how and why they should get involved
- who to contact for assistance or to report an incident.

In some communities, organised community groups serve as the main catalyst for resident involvement and information exchange. Organised events (clean-up days) to collect and properly dispose of illegally dumped materials involve resources provided by the council and industry and the efforts of local residents and interested parties.

9.3.2 Education

The most important component of a successful illegal dumping programme is public education. However, information and education programmes are only effective when the behaviour of the targeted audience is changed and then sustained at the desirable level.

An effective information and education programme involves:

- targeting the audience
- keeping the message simple
- communication
- feedback and monitoring
- ensuring adequate resources are available.

9.4 Targeted enforcement

The critical element of effective enforcement consists of ordinances or bylaws that regulate waste management and prohibit illegal dumping. Ordinances/ bylaws must be effective and tailored to meet specific needs. Council officers must then have the proper authority to conduct surveillance, inspections, and investigations as well as sufficient resources to undertake their tasks.

9.5 Programme monitoring

Tracking and evaluation should be used to measure the impact of illegal dumping prevention efforts and to determine whether the goals of the programme are being met. Baseline data must be established for indicators such as annual clean-up costs, facility compliance, fine collection, convictions, complaints, and numbers and locations of problem sites.

Glossary

Account	A financial record of cash movements, collecting specific types of outlays or inflows of financial resources.
Accounting basis	An accounting concept whereby expenditures, expenses and related liabilities are recognised in accounts and reported in financial statements. It relates exclusively to timing on either the cash or accrual method.
Accrual basis	A basis of accounting under which transactions and other events are recognised when they occur (and not only when cash or its equivalent is received or paid). Therefore, the transactions and events are recorded in the accounting records and recognised in the financial statements of the periods to which they relate.
Amortisation	A method of determining the annual costs associated with obligations for future outlays (e.g. the reduction of debt by regular payments sufficient to retire the debt by maturity).
By-product revenues	These are generated from the sale of marketable products created as a by-product of solid waste management, such as recyclables, compost, energy from waste, and landfill gas.
Capital outlay	An outlay of cash to acquire a resource that will be used in the development of the landfill over more than one year. Capital outlays (past, present, and future) must be converted into annual costs for full cost accounting purposes.
Cash flow accounting (also known as cash basis accounting)	A basis of accounting that recognises transactions and other events when cash is received or paid. It measures financial results for a period as the difference between cash received and cash paid.
Contingent risk costs	Defined in this Guide as the costs of remediating unknown or future releases of pollutants (such as leaks from municipal landfills), as well as the liability costs of compensating for as yet undiscovered or future damage to the property or persons of parties who are affected adversely by municipal solid waste (MSW) activities.
Cost	The dollar value of resources used for the landfill.
Depreciation	The measure of consumption of the economic benefits embodied in an asset, whether arising from use, the passing of time or obsolescence.
Direct costs	Costs that are clearly and exclusively associated with the landfill and vary in proportion to volumes.
Discount rate	The rate of exchange between various time periods.
Environmental costs	In this Guide include environmental degradation that cannot be easily remedied or measured, is difficult to value, and is not subject to legal liability; these costs are often termed environmental ‘externalities’.

Externality cost (or benefit)	A cost or benefit that is borne by (or accrues to) society in general but which is not generally accounted for in a financial manner.
Fixed costs	Include interest, depreciation, and amortisation for past or future landfill capital outlays and other costs (e.g., security) that cannot be reduced quickly in response to lower waste disposal tonnage.
Full cost	Any real, definable and measurable cost, from any source, attributable to a particular landfill and incurred or likely to be incurred by the owner.
Full cost accounting	A systematic approach for identifying, summing and reporting the actual costs of solid waste management, taking into account past and future outlays, oversight and support service (overhead) costs, and operating costs.
Future outlay	An expenditure of cash in the future that is obligated by current or prior activities.
Hidden costs	As used in this Guide are the costs of activities or resources that appear to be free.
Indicative base cost of disposal (IBC)	The base unit cost of disposal derived by the Full Cost Accounting (FCA) model; the IBC gives an indication of the actual dollar cost of providing residual waste disposal to a landfill.
Indirect costs	Costs that are not exclusively related to the landfill but that relate to more than one local government activity. Such indirect costs for solid waste management (and other local government activities) can include accounting and payroll, personnel, legal, purchasing, data processing, records management, and executive oversight (e.g. the mayor's salary and office expenses).
Integrated solid waste management	Incorporates several different approaches for handling the entire MSW stream. Using a combination of approaches allows each type of waste to be managed according to environmental and economic considerations, with priority going to source reduction, reuse, and recycling, while reserving landfills as the least desirable waste management method. See also <i>Waste management hierarchy</i> .
Net cost of a solid waste management activity or path	Its full cost minus its by-product revenues. The net cost divided by the tonnes of waste managed yields the net cost per tonne for that activity or path.
Net cost per ton	This is the best common denominator for comparing the current costs of solid waste management within or across local authority jurisdictions.
Net present value (NPV)	The present value of cash inflows less the present value of cash outflows.
Operating costs	Regularly recurring costs of resources that are normally used immediately or over a relatively short period of time (i.e. within a reporting period) in order to support ongoing operations.
Opportunity cost	The value of the net benefit forgone on one investment through making an alternative investment.

Outlay	An expenditure of cash.
Overhead costs	The management and support costs of running the solid waste programme.
Present value (PV)	The value today of a future payment, or series of payments, discounted at the appropriate discount rate.
Routine cash outlays	For solid waste management activities are the same as the operating costs of those activities.
Social costs	In this Guide are impacts on human beings, their property, and welfare that cannot be compensated through the legal system; also termed ‘social externalities’.
Upfront costs	Reflect the initial investments and expenses necessary to start an MSW activity or path.
Weighted average cost of capital (WACC)	Represents the return a landfill owner should expect from investment in a landfill. When used in this context, it is sometimes referred to as the ‘opportunity cost of capital’. It represents what a landfill project should return in order for the landfill owner to adequately compensate its financial backers, regardless of whether they are debt holders or equity providers.
Variable costs	Of land disposal include costs of operation and maintenance and other costs that can be reduced quickly in response to lower waste disposal tonnage.
Waste management hierarchy	Emphasises a preferred order of management approaches: first, source reduction; second, recovery; third, waste combustion with energy recovery; and finally, landfilling.

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Appendix A: Landfill FCA Model – Overview, Structure and Algorithm Flowcharts

Figure A1: Full cost model overview

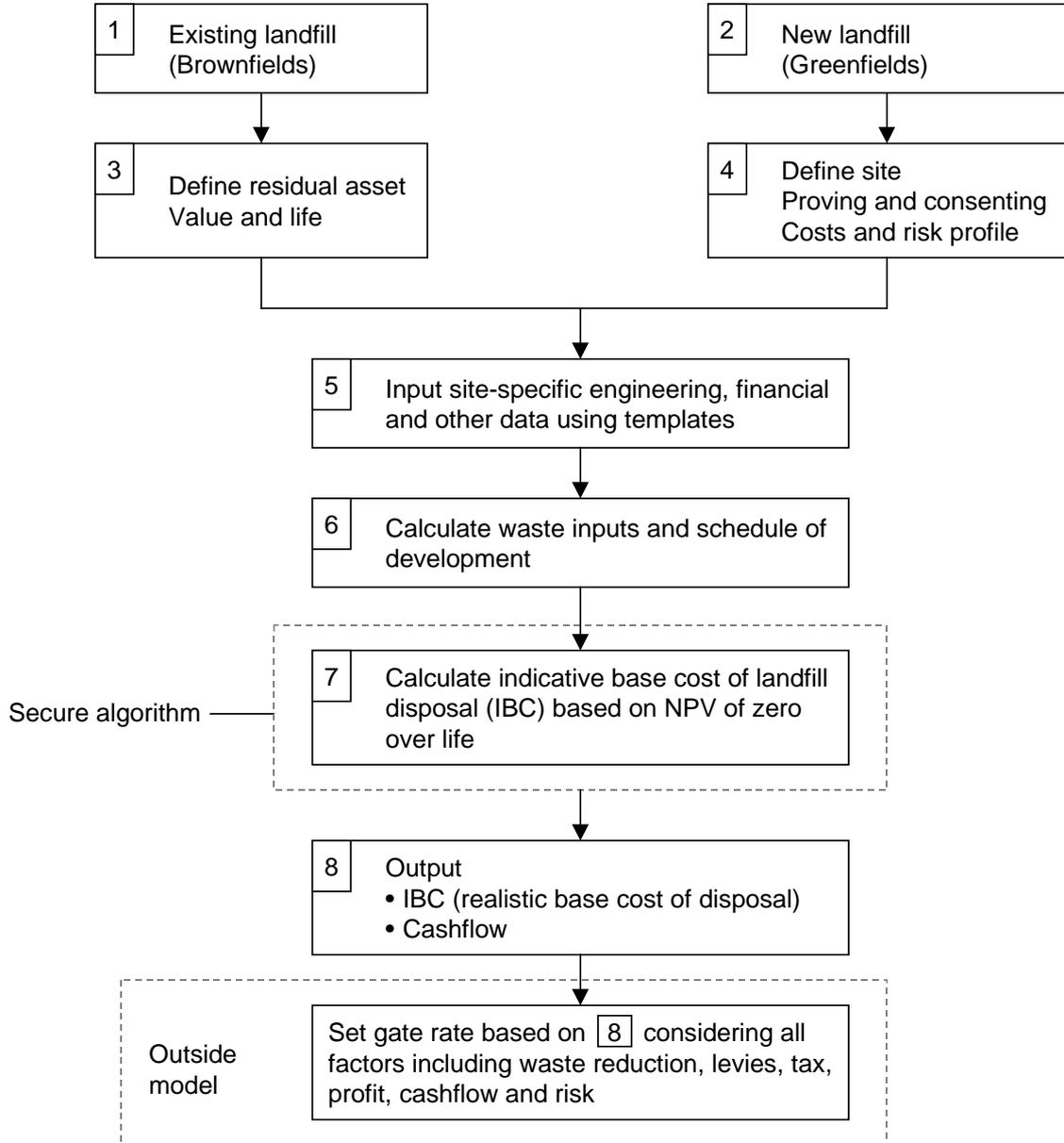


Figure A2: Overall model structure

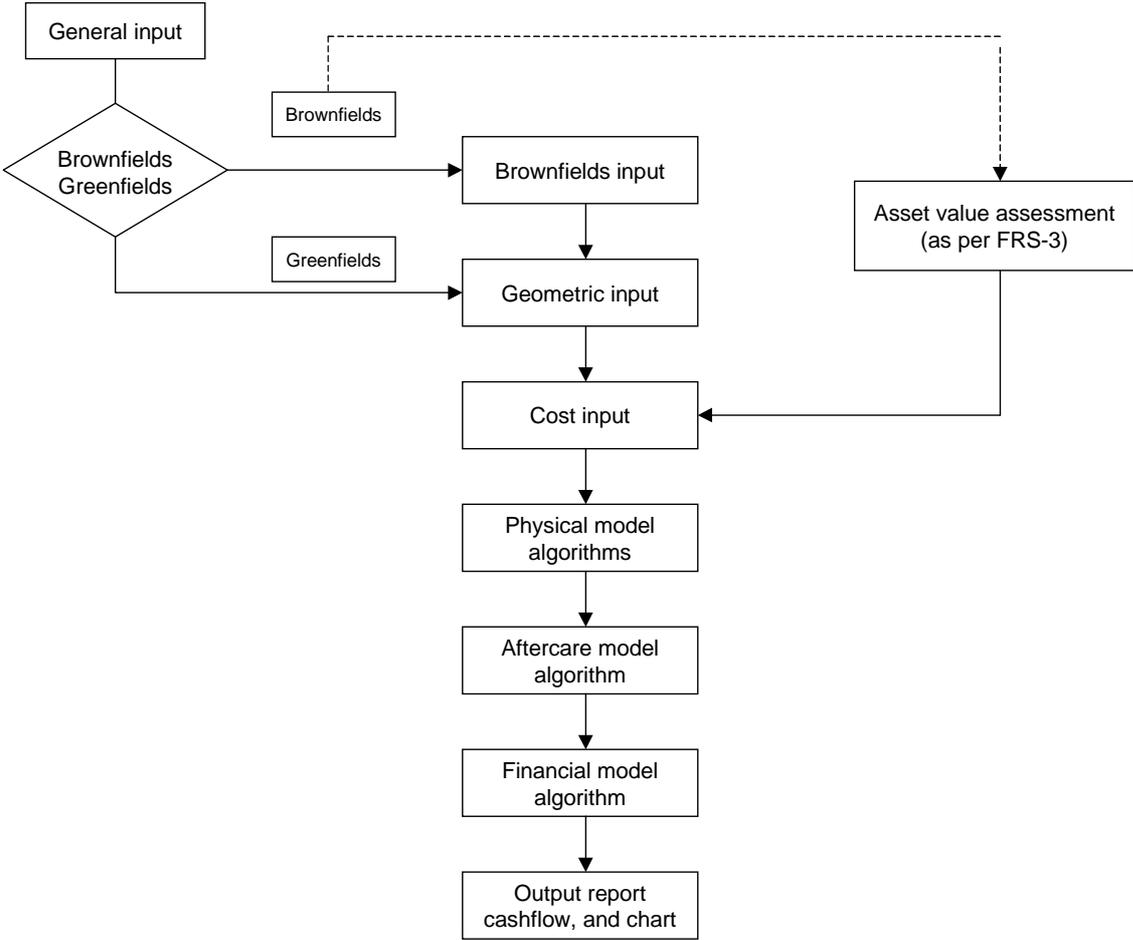
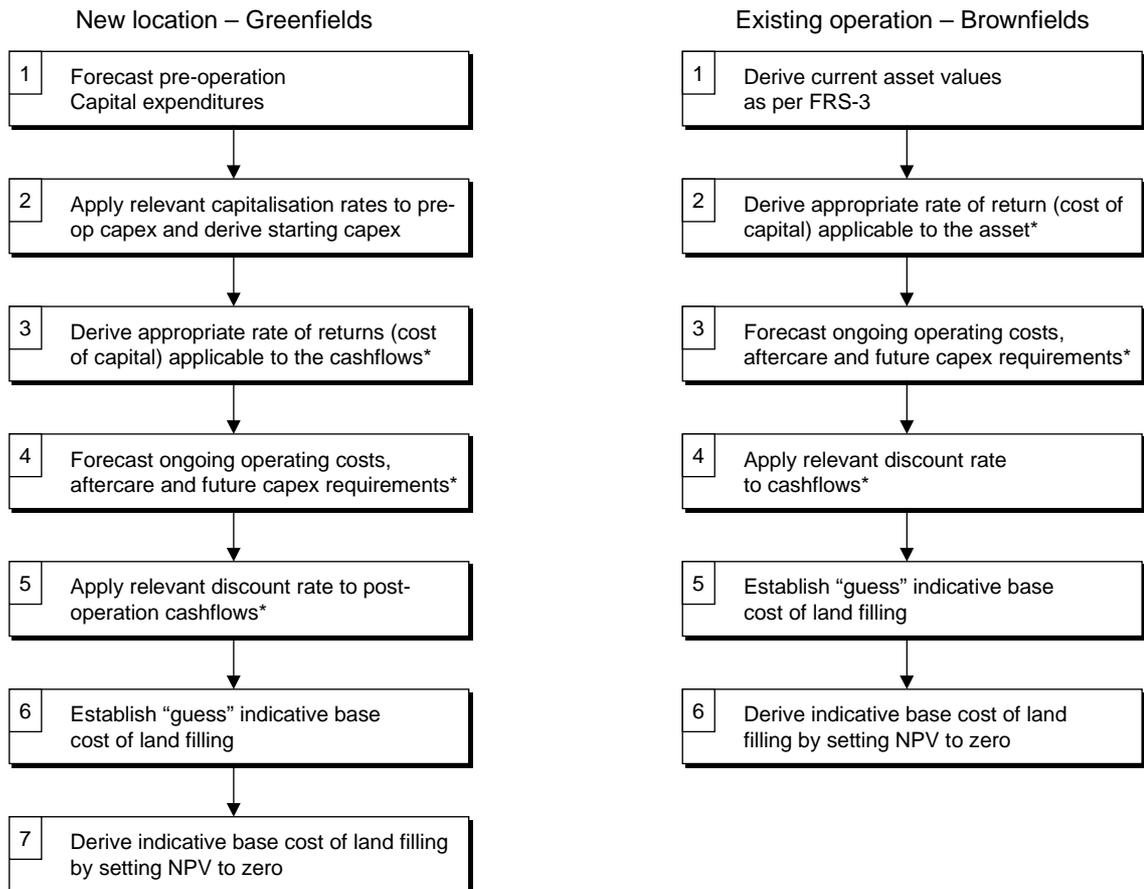


Figure A3: Financial model algorithm structure



* On a pre-tax real (present day dollar) basis.

Appendix B: Landfill FCA Model Input Costs – Default Values

The following tables provide guidance on indicative costs (range, typical and default costs or values) for items scheduled in the model **Cost Input** worksheet. As you may notice, the model already has data in the various input sheets. However, these default values are inserted only to enable the model to generate an IBC value.

Before you take the results of this model beyond an initial drafting stage we strongly advise you to obtain advice on these inputs. The rates provided are for guidance only and are likely to alter according to relevant market and economic parameters as well as site-specific data.

The sources – and therefore the accuracy – of costing information will depend on whether the site is an existing and operating landfill or a planned site, and the degree to which planning, resource consent processes and design have progressed.

Other sources of cost and conversion values that have been used to produce the figures given in the following tables include:

- current site development costs
- operators of landfills of a similar size
- consultants' reports on landfill development
- contractor and supplier estimates and quotes
- tendered contract prices
- construction and contracting cost handbooks and indices.

The following tables are presented in the same order as in the model **Cost Input** worksheet.

Updating the typical values and ranges in the tip boxes

Periodically the Ministry for the Environment may issue an update to the cost and/or other information contained in the tip boxes. The Updater will consist of an Excel spreadsheet. When the Updater is opened, Excel may ask about virus protection. Select 'Enable Macros'. Answer Yes to the dialogue boxes that follow to select an FCA model file to update. The file must be the same version as the Updater. Once a valid file is selected, the typical values and ranges will be automatically updated and the FCA model saved under the same name.

The date on which the cost data were developed will be shown on the **Instructions** worksheet.

Table B1 presents indicative costs for planning and pre-development activity components. *Note:* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B1: Typical planning and pre-development costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Project management	\$20,000–\$100,000	\$50,000
Site selection	\$100,000–\$1,000,000	\$150,000
Consultation	\$50,000 + (small site) \$150,000+ (large site)	\$100,000
Land pre-purchase/pre-leasing arrangements	5–10% of land value	7.5% of land value
Survey and preliminary design	\$30,000–\$100,000	\$50,000
Geotechnical and groundwater Investigations	\$100,000–\$500,000	\$200,000
Other detailed studies (traffic, noise, visual, archaeological, etc.)	\$50,000–\$250,000	\$100,000
Baseline monitoring	\$50,000–\$250,000	\$100,000
Resource consent process:		
AEE and consent application	\$50,000–\$2,000,000	\$200,000
Draft Landfill Management Plan	\$10,000–\$30,000	\$20,000
Legal	Refer to Guide	–
Hearing	Refer to Guide	–
Appeal	Refer to Guide	–
Land acquisition and associated/set-up costs	\$5000–\$25,000/ha	\$12,500/ha
Proceeds from disposal of excess land	60–70% of per hectare purchase price	65% of per hectare purchase price

Table B2 presents indicative costs for base cost activity components. *Note:* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B2: Typical base costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Engineering:		
Detailed design and documentation	4–7% of capital works costs	6% of capital works costs
Construction management	5–8% of capital works costs	6.5% of capital works costs
Contractor's P&G	10–15% of capital works costs	12.5% of capital works costs

Table B3 presents indicative costs for development activity components. *Note:* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B3: Typical development costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
<i>Site access</i>		
Intersection upgrade	\$200,000–\$500,000	–
Other roading network upgrades/ contributions	Refer to Guide	–
Access road – intersection to footprint	\$300,000–\$700,000 per km	–
Special structures (diversions, bridges, etc.)	Refer to Guide	–
<i>Site amenities and services</i>		
Site entrance	\$15,000–\$50,000	\$25,000
Administration building	\$25,000–\$100,000	\$50,000
Weighbridge and kiosk	\$125,000–\$225,000	\$150,000
Machinery shed, maintenance facility	\$50,000–\$150,000	\$100,000
Power and phone	Refer to Guide	–
Sewerage	\$5000–\$12,000	–
Water supply	\$5000–\$20,000	–
General civil works (sealing, parking, etc)	\$20,000–\$100,000	–
Washdown facility/wheel-wash	\$50,000–\$120,000	\$75,000
Fencing	\$30–\$60/m	\$45/m
Landscaping	\$7500–\$20,000/ha	\$12,500/ha
<i>Cell construction</i>		
Sediment control structures and measures	\$5000–\$25,000	–
Clearing	\$1.00–\$2.50/m ²	\$1.50/m ²
Clearing bush	\$5.00–\$10.00/m ²	\$8.00/m ²
Perimeter access road	\$300–\$450/m	\$400/m
Topsoil: Cut to stockpile	\$1.50–\$3.00/m ³	\$2.00/m ³
Unsuitables: Cut to stockpile	\$3.50–\$12.00/m ³	\$8.00/m ³
Sub-topsoil: Cut to stockpile	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$5.50/m ³
Low permeability material:		
Cut to stockpile	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$6.00/m ³
Stockpile to liner	\$7.50–\$10.00/m ³	\$9.00/m ³
Cut to fill as liner	\$7.50–\$10.00/m ³	\$9.00/m ³
Borrow to fill as liner	\$7.50–\$12.00/m ³ from onsite	\$10.00/m ³
Structural material:		
Cut to stockpile	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$6.00/m ³
Stockpile to fill	\$7.50–\$10.00/m ³	\$8.00/m ³
Cut to fill	\$7.50–\$10.00/m ³	\$8.00/m ³
Borrow to fill	\$7.50–\$12.00/m ³ from onsite	\$9.00/m ³
Groundwater control/subsoil drainage	\$40–\$200/m	\$60/m
Subgrade preparation	\$1.00–\$2.00/m ²	\$1.50/m ²
Specialised subgrade treatment	\$7.00–\$15.00/m ²	\$10.00/m ²
Liner supply and installation including QA/QC	FML \$10–\$16/m ² GCL \$12–\$18/m ² CCL as above	\$13.00/m ² \$14.00/m ² As above
Liner protection layer	\$5.00–\$10.00/m ²	\$7.50/m ²
Leachate collection, transmission, and pre-treatment:		
Leachate collection header pipes and fittings	\$100.00–\$250.00/m	\$175.00/m
Auxiliary collection pipes and fittings	\$40.00–\$125.00/m	\$75/m
Leachate collection sump	\$5000–\$20,000	\$10,000

Cleanout ports and manholes	\$5000–\$10,000 each	\$7500 each
Automated pump station (pumps, valves, fittings and electrical)	\$10,000–\$30,000	\$20,000
Leachate collection layer	\$5.00–\$20.00/m	\$12.00/m
Leachate pre-treatment facility	Refer to Guide	–
Leachate disposal system	Refer to Guide	–
<i>Stormwater management system</i>		
Major stormwater diversion (e.g. dams, canal, etc)	Refer to Guide	–
Open drains	\$30–\$70/m	\$45/m
Stabilised drains/ flumes	\$75–\$325/m	\$180/m
Piped drains	\$50–\$450/m	\$200/m
Stormwater treatment ponds:		
Ponds	\$100,000–\$1,000,000	–
Instrumentation	\$20,000–\$150,000	–
<i>Gas management system</i>		
Horizontal collectors	\$80–\$150/m	\$120/m
Vertical extraction wells	\$150–\$300/m	\$200/m
Ring header (below grade)	\$350–\$450/m	\$400/m
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	\$70–\$120/m	\$90/m
Condensate traps	\$5000–\$10,000 each	\$7500
Flare stations:		
Interim	\$50,000–\$150,000	Refer to Guide
Final	\$500,000–\$1,000,000	Refer to Guide
<i>Final cover system</i>		
Topsoil:		
Stockpile to final cover	\$1.5–\$3 m ³	\$2.00 m ³
Import topsoil to final cover	\$15–\$25/m ³	\$20.00/m ³
Unsuitables:		
Stockpile to final cover	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$5.00/m ³
Shortfall – make up with sub-topsoil	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$5.00/m ³
Sub-topsoil:		
Stockpile to final cover	\$3.50–\$7.50/m ³	\$5.00/m ³
Borrow to final cover	\$3.50–\$10.00/m ³	–
Low permeability material:		
Stockpile to final cover	\$6.00–\$9.00/m ³	\$7.50/m ³
Cut to fill as cover	\$6.00–\$9.00/m ³	\$7.50/m ³
Borrow to fill as cover	\$6.00–\$10.00/m ³	\$8.00/m ³
Geosynthetic layer	\$8.00–\$14.00/m ²	\$12.00/m ²
Drainage layer	\$8.00–\$12.00/m ²	\$10.00/m ²
Erosion control (vegetation)	\$0.50–\$1.50/m ²	\$1.00/m ²

Table B4 presents indicative costs for Operation activity components. *Note:* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B4: Typical operation costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Refuse placement	\$6–\$16/tonne	–
Daily cover	\$0.25–\$0.50/tonne of refuse placed	–
Nuisance control (vectors, birds, litter, odour)	\$20,000–\$80,000/yr	–
General maintenance	\$4000–\$7000/yr	–
Salaries, wages and overhead including: on-site management, gate control and fee collection, audit fees, secretarial fees, accounting fees, legal, consultants, insurance, waste acceptance and inspection, and Health and Safety	\$100,000–\$600,000/yr	–
Aftercare levy	Calculated automatically as a sinking fund from aftercare cost estimates input data	–
Royalty and host fee	Refer to Guide	–
Intermediate cover	\$0.25–\$0.50/tonne of refuse placed	–
Roading (temporary)	\$0.50–\$1.00/tonne of refuse placed	–
Leachate treatment and disposal:		
Trucking offsite prior to treatment system installation	\$15.00–\$40.00/m ³	–
Operation after treatment facility installation	\$1.00–\$4.00/m ³	–
Trade waste charges – untreated leachate	Refer to Guide	–
Trade waste charges – treated leachate	Refer to Guide	–
Stormwater maintenance	\$10,000–\$50,000/yr	\$20,000/yr
Gas control	\$300–\$750/ha/yr	\$500/ha/yr
Monitoring – stormwater, groundwater, leachate, landfill gas	\$10,000–\$50,000/yr	\$20,000/yr
Environmental compliance	\$4000–\$50,000/yr	\$35,000/yr
Bond	Refer to Guide	–
Regional council costs	\$3000–\$15,000/yr	\$7500/yr
Property rates	Refer to Guide	–
Water charges	Refer to Guide	–
Electricity	Refer to Guide	–
Land leasing	Refer to Guide	–

Table B5 presents indicative costs for closure activity components. *Note* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B5: Typical closure costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Removal of facilities	\$30,000–\$150,000	–
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems		
Final cover	1–3% of final cover construction cost	1% of final cover construction cost
Landfill gas system	1–5% of final cover construction cost	1% of landfill gas system construction cost
Leachate system	1–3% of final cover construction cost	1.5% of leachate system construction cost
On-site surface water control	1–3% of final cover construction cost	1.5% of surface water system construction cost
Design consultants/third party engineering	6–10% of closure costs	7.5% of closure costs

Post-closure costs include all costs associated with the maintenance and monitoring of a landfill after it has stopped accepting solid waste. Table B6 presents some of the typical individual costs that an owner/operator may incur during aftercare (post-closure care).

Table B6: Typical average aftercare (post-closure care) costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Administration	\$5000–\$10,000/yr	\$7500/yr
Regional council liaison	\$7500–\$12,500/yr	\$10,000/yr
Site inspection	\$150–\$600/ha/yr or \$50–100/hr/inspector	\$350/ha/yr or \$70/hr/inspector
Final cover		
Final cover maintenance	\$2500–\$10,000/ha/yr	\$5000/ha/yr
Vegetation maintenance	\$2500–\$7500/ha for revegetation and \$500–\$1000/ha/yr for mowing	\$4000/ha/yr for revegetation and \$1000/ha/yr for mowing
Leachate management system		
Leachate disposal	\$500–\$5000/ha/yr (\$2–\$10/m ³)	\$5/m ³
System maintenance	\$500–\$1000/ha/yr	\$500ha/yr
Electricity	\$2000–\$5000/ha/yr	\$2000ha/yr
Gas management system		
Maintenance	\$500–\$3000/ha/yr	\$1500ha/yr
Replacement	Refer to Guide	–
Electricity	\$1000–\$2000/ha/yr	\$1000ha/yr
Environmental monitoring system		
Groundwater	\$1500–\$5000/ha/yr (\$1000–\$3000/station)	\$2000ha/yr
Landfill gas (LFG)	\$300–2000/ha/yr (\$100–200/well/event)	\$750ha/yr
Leachate	\$600–1000ha/yr (\$1000–\$3000/point/event)	\$750ha/yr
Stormwater	\$600–\$1000ha/yr (\$600–\$1200/point/event)	\$600ha/yr
Removal of remaining facilities	\$20,000–\$50,000	–
End of post-closure certification	\$30,000–\$200,000	\$50,000

Table B7 presents indicative costs for contingency activity components. *Note:* actual costs will be site-specific and may vary significantly from those presented in the table.

Table B7: Typical contingency costs

Activity/system	Cost range	Typical/default value
Pre-development	15–30% of pre-development cost	20% of pre-development cost
Development	7.5–20% of development cost	10% of development cost
Operations		0%
Closure	7.5–20% of closure cost	10% of closure cost
Aftercare (post-closure care)	0–15% of aftercare cost	7.5% of aftercare cost

Appendix C: FCA Landfill Model – Description of Costs not Included in the Model

1 Site selection costs

Site selection for a new landfill can be a long and involved process, which requires identifying suitable siting criteria, considering a number of possible locations, a number of stages of site investigation and elimination, and extensive consultation.

A comprehensive site selection process is likely to include the following steps:

- desk-top study to identify possible sites
- inspection of possible sites
- various stages of site elimination based on investigations
- consultation
- preliminary assessments of effects on the environment of short-listed sites
- final site selection.

The costs of a landfill site selection process can be substantial. However, a comprehensive site selection process based on sound scientific and engineering principles and involving extensive consultation can reduce the time and cost involved in the resource consent application process.

The site selection process may involve research on a number of potential sites, and that may not create an asset. Normally TLAs or private sector landfill developers consider these costs as general expenditure. In some cases (for example, regional approaches) they may ultimately be included in the final indicated base cost of disposal. For simplicity, only the costs of research and investigations that can be attributed directly to the site finally chosen are included in the FCA model.

2 Environmental and community-related costs

There are environmental and community issues relating to landfills that are not direct or indirect financial costs paid by the waste manager. These relate to externalities that occur on a local, national or global scale.

Externalities are costs (or benefits) that are borne by (or accrue to) society in general and which in the past have not generally been accounted for in decisions relating to landfills. They may influence perceptions and decision-making, and therefore require consideration. This guide includes only the financial costs associated with externalities paid by the local authority waste manager. Externalities are identified so that they can be taken into account during the decision-making process.

All landfill sites have the potential to create adverse effects on the environment through:

- discharges to land, groundwater, surface water and air
- effects on local ecology
- community effects.

A wide range of factors contribute to externalities as a result of landfills, including the composition of the waste stream, and the:

- size
- physical characteristics
- age
- location
- design and operation standards

at the landfill site.

New Zealand does not have explicit national standards for the design, construction and operation of landfills (although these may be implemented in future along with other elements of an overall national waste minimisation strategy). Landfill design and operation, while often undertaken in accordance with the CAE *Landfill Guidelines* and accepted current practice, depends on the specific site characteristics, and local and regional environmental and community standards or values.

In order to obtain consents under the RMA from the relevant consenting authority, a landfill must be designed, engineered and monitored to ensure that it will not have significant adverse effects on the surrounding environment. During the resource consent application process it must be demonstrated how the potential effects of a specific site can be avoided, remedied or mitigated.

Because legislation requires waste managers to avoid, remedy or mitigate some effects, some externalities are internalised (taken into account) in the financial costs of landfill development, operation and aftercare through the resource consent process.

The calculation of the cost to society of all externalities associated with landfills is beyond the scope of this guide. However, some externalities are detailed here because they can have a significant effect on the decision-making process and therefore need to be considered by local authority waste managers.

Discharges to land, groundwater, surface water and air

Landfills are designed and operated to avoid, remedy or mitigate actual and potential effects on the environment. The final decision on the design, operation and monitoring requirements rests with the appropriate consenting authority or the Environment Court.

The cost relating to the effects on the environment of a landfill is considered to be accounted for in the costs of siting, resource consent applications, design, operation and monitoring, as these are the costs relating to the avoidance of actual and potential effects.

Effects on local ecology

Discharges into the environment can have adverse effects on local terrestrial and aquatic plants and animals. These effects are considered to be accounted for in the costs of siting, resource consent applications, design, operation and monitoring, as these are the costs relating to the avoidance of actual and potential effects.

Community effects

Siting and developing a landfill can have a number of adverse effects on the local community. In general, people do not like having a landfill sited near to them. The community effects are created by a number of factors including:

- the effects of landfilling practices
- the potential for or perception of a drop in land values
- community disruption.

The effects of landfilling practices

Historically, landfill sites have not been well sited or operated, which has resulted in adverse effects on site neighbours. Examples are:

- increased traffic volumes and vehicle sizes
- mud on roads
- visual effects due to poor siting and screening
- litter
- noise
- odour
- dust
- vectors and vermin (birds, flies and rats)
- health effects
- landfill gas (LFG).

Drop in land values

Residents may feel that having a landfill close to them will adversely affect their property values. This issue is very site-specific and, depending on the circumstances, has been demonstrated as being highly variable – from a temporary, short-term reduction in value to a long-term, permanent reduction in property values, where significant impacts or visual amenity loss have occurred.

Community disruption

The proposal to site a landfill invariably results in objection from the local community. This can lead to a significant amount of community disruption during the siting and consenting process.

Siting procedures ensure that the most appropriate site is selected for a landfill, and a comprehensive public consultation programme can go a long way towards educating the public on the effects of modern landfills and reduce the potential for widespread opposition and community disruption. However, a degree of community disruption can be expected during the siting and consenting processes.

Cost of community effects

Community effects are partly taken account of in landfill siting, community consultation and resource consent procedures. The costs associated with these activities are included in the full costing model. These costs, however, may not take account of all issues.

One approach, which is adopted overseas, and has been used in New Zealand for some new large landfill sites, is the payment of 'host fees' to the local community affected by the landfill, for appropriate community projects, such as a community hall. Host fees, where they apply, need to be included as a cost in the FCA model.

Opportunity cost of land

Land used for development of a landfill is not available for other uses until such time as the landfill is closed and rehabilitated. Even then the range of potential uses is limited by the potential for adverse effects on people and the environment. The value of the net benefit forgone by the community in using the land for a landfill, rather than for some alternative use, is the 'opportunity cost' of that land.

However, the value of land when used as a landfill may be higher than for the existing or alternative land uses, in which case opportunity cost does not apply. For this reason, and the fact that the waste manager incurs no cost, community opportunity cost is not included in the FCA model.

3 Cost of financial assurances

A financial assurance (see Appendix D), or environmental bond, is a financial provision for the remediation of an environmental accident if a landfill operator goes bankrupt or walks away from the site. It makes money immediately available to a regulatory authority to undertake remedial measures.

Where local authority waste managers are required to provide an environmental bond, this can take the form of a bank guarantee. The annual cost of maintaining a bank guarantee generally ranges from 1% to 3% of the value of the bond. If a bond is required, the cost of its provision is included in the FCA model.

The costs of making provision for a form of financial assurance, other than provision of a bond, should also be included, if required.

Appendix D: Financial Assurance

Owners or operators of all landfill facilities must demonstrate at the consenting stage that they have sufficient funds to cover the costs associated with closure, post-closure, and corrective action/remediation measures. Financial mechanisms to pay for potential corrective action, should it be determined that a facility poses a threat to the environment or human health, must also be presented at the consenting stage. The cost estimates associated with these requirements must be based on the assumption that a third party will implement the activities.

The following financial assurance mechanisms may be appropriate sources for the required funding.

- **Funds:** held by a reputable third party or trustee until the funds are needed. Payments are made annually into the trust fund. The initial payment must be made before waste acceptance, or before the effective dates for closure and post-closure as specified in the facility's resource consent conditions.
- **Surety bonds:** issued by private firms, which typically require full collateral for the bond, excluding the landfill. A payment or performance surety bond is acceptable for closure and post-closure financial assurance. However, only performance bonds should be acceptable for corrective action. If the surety bond is the main source of financial assurance, then a standby trust fund must also be set up. The bond must be made effective before waste acceptance or before the effective dates for closure and post-closure as specified in the facility's resource consent conditions.
- **Letter of credit:** which must be good for at least one year and irrevocable. The letter of credit must be re-issued at the end of each term. It must also be made effective before waste acceptance or before the effective dates for closure and post-closure as specified in the facility's resource consent conditions.
- **Insurance:** an insurance policy must be issued for face value in the amount of at least the current cost estimate of closure and post-closure. The policy must include a provision to provide the assured funds to a third party, if necessary. The policy must be made effective before waste acceptance or before the effective dates for closure and post-closure as specified in the facility's resource consent conditions.
- **Corporate or local government financial tests and guarantees:** criteria for financial assurance for corporate and government tests and guarantees will be set by central government and/or appropriate regulatory or statutory authorities.
- **Combination of the previously mentioned sources:** any combination of the above-mentioned mechanisms or any other mechanism may be used, as long as they are determined to be independent of each other and acceptable to the appropriate regulatory/statutory authority.

The financial requirements for landfills in the United States and Australia are given below for comparison.

United States

In the United States, municipal solid waste landfills (MSWLs) are regulated under Subtitle D of the Resource Conservation and Recovery Act (RCRA). The municipal solid waste landfill facility criteria are described in Part 258 of Chapter 40 of the Code of Federal Regulations (40 CFR Part 258). Financial assurance criteria for MSWLs are described in Sub-part G of Part 258.

The following is a brief summary of Sub-part G: Financial Assurance Criteria. It has been extracted from Sub-part G of Part 258.

The Part 258, Subpart G, financial assurance criteria require demonstration of responsibility of the costs of closure, post-closure care, and known corrective action. EPA (United States Environmental Protection Agency) believe that compliance with these requirements will help ensure responsible planning for future costs. Adequate funds must be available to hire a third party to carry out all necessary closure, post-closure care, and known corrective action activities in the event that the owner and operator declares bankruptcy or lacks the technical expertise to complete the required activities.

Cost estimates

The amount of financial assurance, using acceptable financial mechanisms, must equal the cost of a third party conducting these activities. To determine these costs each MSWLF owner and operator must prepare a written, site-specific estimate of the costs of conducting closure/post-closure care and known corrective action.

Closure

The owner and operator must calculate a detailed cost estimate for closure based on the largest area of a MSWLF unit that may ever require a final cover during its active life. The cost estimate must equal the expense of closing the area when the extent and manner of operation would make closure most expensive.

... the owner and operator must increase both the closure cost estimate and the amount of financial assurance maintained if the closure plan is adjusted or if changing unit conditions (e.g. increases in design capacity) raise the maximum cost of closure. The closure cost estimate and the amount of financial assurance maintained may also be reduced if, as a result of changes in facility conditions (e.g. partial closure of a landfill), the existing cost estimate exceeds the maximum cost of closure during the remaining life of the MSWLF unit. The owner and operator must document evidence supporting such a reduction.

Post-closure care

The financial assurance requirements for post-closure are similar to the requirements for closure of MSWLF units. The owner and operator must have a detailed, site-specific written estimate of the cost of hiring a third party to conduct post-closure care for the MSWLF unit. This cost estimate must account for the total costs of conducting post-closure care, including annual and periodic costs described in the post-closure plan. Post-closure care cost estimates must be based on the most expensive costs during the post-closure care period. As with closure cost estimates, changes in facility conditions or the post-closure plan may require the owner and operator to modify the post-closure care cost estimate and the amount of financial assurance.

Corrective action

... the owner and operator of a MSWLF unit required to undertake corrective action must have a detailed, site-specific written estimate of the cost of hiring a third party to perform corrective action for known releases. The corrective action cost estimate must account for the total expense of activities described in the corrective action plan. Again, the corrective action cost estimate and amount of financial assurance must increase or decrease in response to changes in either the corrective action program or MSWLF unit conditions.

Adjustments for inflation

Due to changes in inflation and interest rates, cost estimates must be annually adjusted for inflation. Updated cost estimates must account for added inflationary costs to ensure that adequate funds will be available if needed ...

Allowable mechanisms

The mechanisms used to demonstrate financial assurance must ensure that the funds necessary to meet the costs of closure, post-closure care, and known corrective action will be available when needed. Owners and operators may use any of the following financial mechanisms:

- *Trust fund*
- *Surety bonds guaranteeing payment or performance*
- *Letter of credit*
- *Insurance*
- *Corporate financial test*
- *Local government financial test*
- *Corporate guarantee*
- *Local government guarantee*
- *State-approved mechanism*
- *State assumption of financial responsibility.*

In addition, the Agency expects to add financial tests and guarantees as allowable mechanisms for corporations to demonstrate financial assurance. The performance standard requires that any approved financial assurance mechanism satisfy the following criteria:

- *The amount of funds assured is sufficient to cover the costs of closure, post-closure care, and corrective action for known releases when needed*
- *The funds will be available in a timely fashion when needed*
- *The mechanisms for closure and post-closure care must be established by the owner and operator by the effective date of these requirements or prior to the initial receipt of solid waste, whichever is later. The mechanisms for corrective action must be secured no later than 120 days after the corrective action remedy has been selected, and maintained until the owner and operator are released from financial assurance responsibilities*
- *The mechanisms must be legally valid, binding, and enforceable under state and federal law.*

Two further financial assurance mechanisms, in addition to those listed above, are available (effective 9 April 1997) for local government owners and operators of MSWL facilities. These additional mechanisms – a financial test for use by local government owners and operators, and a provision for local governments that wish to guarantee the costs for an owner or operator – are designed to be self-implementing.

Effective 10 April 1998, two mechanisms were added to those currently available to corporate owners and operators of MSWL facilities. The two mechanisms are a financial test for use by private owners and operators, and a corporate guarantee that allows companies to guarantee the costs for another owner or operator.

Australia

The following has been extracted from the New South Wales Environmental Protection Authority's *Environmental Guidelines: Solid Waste Landfills* (1996):

Financial assurance is a means of ensuring that landfill occupiers adequately plan for emergency closure, site remediation and post-closure care, by providing a specific mechanism to accumulate requisite funding during the life of the landfill. This mechanism encourages development of the necessary long-term financial planning to protect all environmental objectives.

- *The Landfill Environmental Management Plan (LEMP) should include a well-documented assessment of the potential cost, prepared by an independent consultant, for a third party contractor to undertake each of the following:*
 - *close down the current operation at any time and remediate the site to a standard acceptable for its planned future use*
 - *continue post-closure care and monitoring (bearing in mind that the period of after-care is significantly influenced by the design philosophy)*
 - *complete the required remediation of environmental impacts that may be identified.*
- *The financial assurance required by the Environment Protection Authority (EPA) will be negotiated in one or more of the following forms:*
 - *an insurance policy*
 - *a bank guarantee of funds or letter of credit*
 - *a bond*
 - *a third party guarantee*
 - *a fund established and maintained by a public authority*
 - *any other form of security that the EPA considers appropriate and specifies in the licence as a condition.*

The preferred approach must be nominated in the LEMP.

- *The annual report for a landfill ... may nominate any variations for the level at which the financial guarantee is set for the forthcoming years' activity for a particular site based on the current operations and the extent of site activity planned. The nominated variations must be approved by the EPA.*

- *A financial assurance (or any part of it) may be called on by the EPA if the EPA:*
 - *is satisfied that the last licensee has failed to comply with the requirements of the closure plan approved by the EPA, or*
 - *is satisfied that a licensee has contravened any condition of the licence relating to site remediation work, or*
 - *incurs or proposes to incur costs or expenses in taking action that is covered by financial assurance.*
- *The requirement to provide a financial assurance lapses and no longer binds the person who was required to provide it if the EPA is satisfied:*
 - *that the site remediation work has been completed in accordance with a post-closure plan approved by the EPA (as detailed in 29. Closure of Landfill), and*
 - *that further environmental management of the premises is not required.*

The person may provide the EPA with a certified statement of completion to the effect that site remediation work has been completed and the further environmental management of the premises is not required. If the EPA approves the statement, the requirement for provision of the financial assurance lapses.

Appendix E: Typical Example – District Landfill Site

The following illustrates the use of the model for a hypothetical district landfill.

The site is a proposed Greenfields development of a 50,000 tonnes per annum landfill which, for the purpose of this example, will take four years to investigate and obtain consents (the pre-development period). The District Council would prefer the site to operate for at least 20 years. The resource consents will generally be granted for a period not exceeding 35 years. The aftercare period is 30 years.

The project commenced on 1 January 2002 and the target date for commencement of operation is 1 January 2006.

The proposed landfill incorporates several different liner types, and these are outlined below.

This example is used to calculate the required per tonne indicative base cost of disposal (IBC) to cover all costs of the landfill project, including pre-development, development, operation, closure and aftercare.

Furthermore, the District Council wishes to assess the impact on the IBC of reducing waste to landfill. This will enable the council to set realistic waste reduction targets for implementing the district's Waste Strategy. The District Council also wishes to allow for a 1.5% per annum waste growth rate, which will account for long-term demographic projections and per capita waste generation trends.

Finally, the District Council wishes to assess the impact on the IBC of the timing of cell construction (i.e. cell construction staged in equal annual amounts versus cell construction completed in a single year).

Table E1 shows the waste reduction scenarios that have been modelled.

Table E1: Waste reduction scenarios for a hypothetical district landfill

Scenario	Target waste reduction (% over life of facility)
1	0
2	10
3	20
4	30
5	50

The model input worksheets (**General Input**, **Geometric Input**, and **Cost Input**) have been included below as have the **Project Summary Output** and **Cashflow Chart Output** for the 0% per annum reduction (Scenario 1 with construction staged in equal annual amounts).

Tables E2 and E3 summarise the IBC (\$/tonne excluding GST) for the waste reduction scenarios.

Table E2: IBCs for hypothetical district landfill (Cell Construction Staged in Equal Annual Amounts)

Scenario	Waste growth rate for population increase and per capita generation (% p.a.)	Waste reduction over life of facility and equivalent per annum reduction (% / % p.a.)	Net growth rate (% p.a.)	Operating life (years)	Waste: initial base tonnage (tonnes)	Waste in final year (tonnes)	Total tonnage during operating life (tonnes)	IBC (\$/tonne)
1	1.5	0/0	1.5 – 0 = 1.5	35	50,000	82,950	2,279,604	62.57
2	1.5	10/0.6	1.5 – 0.6 = 0.9	35	50,000	67,806	2,046,277	64.72
3	1.5	20/1.3	1.5 – 1.3 = 0.2	35	50,000	53,515	1,810,830	67.21
4	1.5	30/2.11	1.5 – 2.11 = –0.61	35	50,000	40,609	1,580,130	69.51
5	1.5	50/4.36	1.5 – 4.36 = –2.86	35	50,000	18,643	1,115,057	77.88

Table E3: IBCs for hypothetical district landfill (Cell Construction Completed in Single Year)

Scenario	Waste growth rate for population increase and per capita generation (% p.a.)	Waste reduction over life of facility and equivalent per annum reduction (% / % p.a.)	Net growth rate (% p.a.)	Operating life (years)	Waste: initial base tonnage (tonnes)	Waste in final year (tonnes)	Total tonnage during operating life (tonnes)	IBC (\$/tonne)
1	1.5	0/0	1.5 – 0 = 1.5	35	50,000	82,950	2,279,604	66.02
2	1.5	10/0.6	1.5 – 0.6 = 0.9	35	50,000	67,806	2,046,277	68.49
3	1.5	20/1.3	1.5 – 1.3 = 0.2	35	50,000	53,515	1,810,830	71.23
4	1.5	30/2.11	1.5 – 2.11 = –0.61	35	50,000	40,609	1,580,130	74.06
5	1.5	50/4.36	1.5 – 4.36 = –2.86	35	50,000	18,643	1,115,057	83.41

Liner Inputs used in the Typical Example

Most of the proposed landfill is to have a liner consisting of 600 mm thickness of compacted clay (with permeability less than 1×10^{-9}), a 1.5 mm thick textured HDPE FML, a 1000 g/m² non-woven geotextile liner protection layer and a 300 mm thick 40/20 aggregate leachate collection layer. In parts of cells 1, 2, 5 and 7, the final placed depth of waste is lower and the thickness of the liner protection layer can be reduced to 600 g/m². In cells 3 and 4, there are steep sidewalls. The liner on these sidewalls is to consist of a GCL, a 1.5 mm thick textured HDPE FML, and a 200 mm thick protection layer of silts and clays. Note that there is no compacted clay component and no leachate collection layer proposed for the sidewall liner. The costs to be used for the various liner components are shown in Table E4.

Table E4: Costs of liner components for liner types used in Typical Example

Compacted clay liner (cut, on-site borrow or stockpile to fill)	\$5.50/m ³
Subgrade preparation	
Beneath compacted clay liner	\$1.00/m ³
Beneath GCL	\$1.95/m ³
Synthetic liner	
1.5 mm thick textured HDPE FML	\$15.50/m ²
GCL	\$16.70/m ²
Liner protection layer	
1000 g/m ² non-woven geotextile	\$9.20/m ²
600 g/m ² non-woven geotextile	\$7.10/m ²
200 mm thick silt & clay layer	\$2.60/m ²
Leachate Collection layer	
300 mm thick 40/20 aggregate	\$12.50/m ²

Refer to the Model Input worksheets (Geometric Input and Cost Input) included for this typical example to see how the data has been input to the model.

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General Input

Project Name
Project Location
Scenario Number
Scenario Description



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Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill

A District
1
50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

SITUATION

- GreenFields Site Choose this option for a site which has not yet been developed
 BrownFields Site Choose this option for a site already in use

DATES

Project Commencement Date 1/07/2002
Operation Commencement Date 1/07/2006 Allow for Appeal

Predevelopment Period (Includes Initial Development Year, Rounded Down) 4.0 years

Time of Land Purchase 2nd year of Predevelopment Period
Time of Excess Land Sale 2nd year of Operation

Sunset Date 1/07/2041
Consented Landfill Operating Life 35.0 years

Actual Landfill Operating Life (Rounded Up) 35.0 years Closure due to Sunset Date (30/06/41)

Aftercare Period 30 years

WASTE

Custom Waste Tonnages - See Waste Input Sheet Generated Waste Tonnages - See Below

Annual Waste Tonnage at Start of Operation 50,000 t/year
Annual Waste Tonnage Growth Rate + 1.5 %
Minimum Allowable Annual Waste Tonnage Must be greater than 5,000 t/year

Waste Stream
General Refuse 100% of annual waste tonnage
Special Refuse 0% of annual waste tonnage
Cleanfill 0% additional to annual waste tonnage

Waste Charging
General Refuse 100% = IBC
Special Refuse 150% of IBC
Cleanfill 50% of IBC

Assumed Compacted Waste Density (Excluding Cover) 0.80 t/m³
Target Cover to Waste Ratio (Daily and Intermediate) 1 : 4
Volume Utilisation 1.563 m³/t

FINANCIAL

Cost of Capital
Planning And Consenting Stage 1 25.0%
Construction Stage 2 25.0%
Operation Stage 3 10.0% = Internal Rate of Return
Aftercare Stage 4 10.0%

Interest Rate (Risk Free Rate plus 0.5%) 6.0% = interest rate on 10 year Govt. Bonds + 0.5%

Apply Real Annual Movement to IBC over Whole Operating Life Ramp IBC from Initial (known) Value to Final (unknown) Value over a Set Period

IBC Real Annual Movement + 0.0%

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Geometric Input

Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Scenario No. 1

Volumes in
Areas in

SITE CONSTANTS

Leachate Generation

Typical for Region Location: Active 2153 m³/ha/annum
 Post Closure 1617 m³/ha/annum
 Annual Precipitation:
 Custom Values Active 1000 m³/ha/annum
 Post Closure 600 m³/ha/annum

Assumed Insitu Topsoil Depth m

Depth of Sub-Topsoil Layer to be Recovered Don't Recover from Fill Zone m

Liner - Depth of Low Permeability Material in Liner

(Default Liner) Liner Type 1 m
 Liner Type 2 m
 Liner Type 3 m
 Liner Type 4 m
 Liner Type 5 m
 Liner Type 6 m

Only enter depths for liner types which are to be used

Final Cap - Depth of Topsoil Layer m

Final Cap - Depth of Unsuitables Layer m

Final Cap - Depth of Sub-Topsoil Layer m

Final Cap - Depth of Low Permeability Layer m

Usually only one or other required

Access Road Length km

Length of Boundary Fence m

Leachate Pretreatment Facility Install in th year of Operation

Leachate Disposal System Install in th year of Operation

Flare Station - Interim Install of way through landfill life

Flare Station - Final Install of way through landfill life

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Cell Construction Staged in Equal Annual Amounts
 Cell Construction Completed in Single Year

Total	Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3	Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6	Cell 7	Cell 8
Net Airspace (excluding Final Cap) 3.779271 Mm³	0.311568	0.425821	0.470141	0.519074	0.573099	0.632748	0.84682	0
Footprint Area 17.15 Ha	2.93	2.8	1.98	1.67	2.5	2.27	3	0
Liner Type 2 Area 4.38 Ha	1.03	0.91		0.68	0.47		1.97	0
Liner Type 3 Area 1.55 Ha			0.87	0.68				
Liner Type 4 Area 0 Ha								
Liner Type 5 Area 0 Ha								
Liner Type 6 Area 0 Ha								
Disturbed Area 19.67 Ha	3.1	3.1	2.12	1.8	3.6	2.65	3.3	0
Area of Fill Zone 4.2875 Ha	0.7325	0.7	0.495	0.4175	0.625	0.5675	0.75	0
Area of Liner Type 1 in Fill Zone 3.8075 Ha	0.5	0.55	0.49	0.39	0.61	0.5675	0.7	0
Area of Liner Type 2 in Fill Zone 0.62 Ha	0.1	0.12					0.4	
Area of Liner Type 3 in Fill Zone 0.005 Ha			0.005					
Area of Liner Type 4 in Fill Zone 0 Ha								
Area of Liner Type 5 in Fill Zone 0 Ha								
Area of Liner Type 6 in Fill Zone 0 Ha								
Area to be Cleared 29 Ha	7.3	5.5	4.2	1.8	2.9	4	3.3	0
Area of Bush to be Cleared 1.04 Ha	0	0	0.18	0.675	0.185	0	0	0
Area of Specialised Subgrade Treatment 12 Ha	2.3	1.5	0.7	1.8	2.5	0.6	2.6	0
Area of Liner Protection Layer 17.15 Ha	2.93	2.8	1.98	1.67	2.5	2.27	3	0
Final Cap Area 17.15 Ha	1	1.15	2	2	2	4	5	0
Required Cut (E.G. to Basegrade) 0.3 Mm³	0.0845	0.055	0.055	0.018	0.036	0.0265	0.025	0
Useable Liner to be Removed from Cut Zone 0 Mm³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Required Fill (E.G. to Basegrade) 0.14 Mm³	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0.02	0
Useable Liner to be Removed from Fill Zone 0 Mm³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsuitables Volume 0.2582 Mm³	0.0616	0.0446	0.009	0.0352	0.0334	0.0112	0.0632	0
Proportion of Unsuitables in Fill Zone 100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	100%	0%
Topsoil								
Cut to Stockpile 0.0295 Mm³	0.0047	0.0047	0.0032	0.0027	0.0054	0.0040	0.0050	
Stockpile to Final Cover 0.0172 Mm³	0.0010	0.0012	0.0020	0.0020	0.0020	0.0040	0.0050	
Import Topsoil to Final Cover Mm³								
Unsuitables								
Cut to Stockpile 0.2582 Mm³	0.0616	0.0446	0.0090	0.0352	0.0334	0.0112	0.0632	
Stockpile to Final Cover Mm³								
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil Mm³								
Sub-Topsoil								
Cut to Stockpile 0.1461 Mm³	0.0225	0.0228	0.0154	0.0131	0.0283	0.0198	0.0242	
Stockpile to Final Cover 0.0515 Mm³	0.0030	0.0035	0.0060	0.0060	0.0060	0.0120	0.0150	
Borrow to Final Cover Mm³								
Low Permeability Material								
Cut to Stockpile Mm³								
Stockpile to Liner Mm³								
Stockpile to Final Cover Mm³								
Cut to Fill as Liner Mm³								
Cut to Fill as Final Cover Mm³								

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Geometric Input

Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Scenario No. 1

Borrow to Fill as Liner	0.0936 Mm ³	0.0176	0.0168	0.0067	0.0059	0.0150	0.0136	0.0180	
Borrow to Fill as Final Cover	0.1029 Mm ³	0.0060	0.0069	0.0120	0.0120	0.0120	0.0240	0.0300	
Structural Material									
Cut to Stockpile	0.0000 Mm ³								
Stockpile to Fill	Mm ³								
Stockpile to Daily Cover	Mm ³								
Cut to Fill	0.1887 Mm ³	0.0716	0.0412	0.0268	0.0103	0.0145	0.0138	0.0105	
Cut to Daily Cover	0.0192 Mm ³		0.0192						
Borrow to Fill	0.1893 Mm ³	0.0075	0.0204		0.0432	0.0362	0.0148	0.0673	
Borrow to Daily Cover	0.8712 Mm ³	0.0595	0.0860	0.1371	0.1240	0.1335	0.1439	0.1874	
Length of Perimeter Access Road	1750 m	480	400	130	0	280	280	180	
Subsoil Drainage	3985 m	990	800	45	280	1000	20	850	
Leachate Header Pipework	2105 m	250	305	340	105	675	280	150	
Leachate Collection Pipework	1600 m	320	300	200	170	180	80	350	
Leachate Collection Sumps	2	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	
Leachate Cleanout Port/Manhole	10	1	2	1	0	1	2	3	
Leachate Pumpout Equipment	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Stormwater Open Drains	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Stormwater Stabilised Drains/Flumes	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Stormwater Piped Drains	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	
Gas Horizontal Collection Pipework	6300 m	900	900	900	900	900	900	900	
Gas Vertical Extraction Wells	2950 m	0	0	590	590	590	590	590	
Gas Main Header Pipe	2851 m	0	142	142	142	999	713	713	
Gas Laterals to Vertical Wells	1675 m	0	0	335	335	335	335	335	
Gas Condensate Traps	30	0	5	5	5	5	5	5	
		Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3	Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6	Cell 7	Cell 8

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Cost Input

Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Scenario No. 1

Note: Leave cost fields blank for any items which are not required

SUNK COSTS

Sunk Costs 300,000 \$

PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT

Project Management 160,000 \$
 Site Selection 100,000 \$
 Consultation 250,000 \$
 Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements 20,000 \$
 Survey and Preliminary Design 125,000 \$
 Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations 200,000 \$
 Other Detailed Studies (i.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc) 200,000 \$
 Baseline Monitoring 100,000 \$
 Resource Consent Process
 AEE and Consent Application 650,000 \$
 Draft Landfill Management Plan 20,000 \$
 Legal 50,000 \$
 Hearing 120,000 \$
 Appeal 200,000 \$
 Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs 1,350,000 \$
 Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land \$
 Custom 1 \$
 Custom 2 \$/yr

In _____ year of Project
Spread over Predevelopment Period

BASE COSTS

Engineering
 Detailed Design and Documentation (%) 6.0%
 Construction Management (%) 6.5%
 Contractors P & G (%) 12.5%

DEVELOPMENT

Site Access
 Intersection Upgrade 350,000 \$
 Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions 0 \$
 Access Road - Intersection to Footprint 650,000 \$/km
 Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc) 100,000 \$

Site Amenities & Services

Site Entrance 10,000 \$
 Administration Building 50,000 \$
 Weighbridge & Kiosk 225,000 \$
 Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility 100,000 \$
 Power & Phone 30,000 \$
 Sewerage 20,000 \$
 Water Supply 30,000 \$
 General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration 55,000 \$
 Washdown Facility/Wheelwash 100,000 \$
 Fencing 40 \$/m
 Landscaping \$
 Custom 3 \$ In Initial Development Year

Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate

Sediment Control Structures and Measures \$
 Clearing 1.80 \$/m²
 Clearing Bush 12.00 \$/m²
 Perimeter Access Road 800.00 \$/m
 Topsoil
 Cut to Stockpile 2.00 \$/m³
 Unsuitables
 Cut to Stockpile 12.00 \$/m³
 Sub-Topsoil
 Cut to Stockpile 5.50 \$/m³
 Low Permeability Material
 Cut to Stockpile 5.50 \$/m³
 Stockpile to Liner 5.50 \$/m³
 Cut to Fill as Liner 5.50 \$/m³
 Borrow to Fill as Liner 13.33 \$/m³
 Structural Material
 Cut to Stockpile 3.00 \$/m³
 Stockpile to Fill 5.00 \$/m³
 Cut to Fill 5.00 \$/m³
 Borrow to Fill 5.00 \$/m³
 Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage 100.00 \$/m
 Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner
 Liner Type 1 1.00 \$/m²
 Liner Type 2 1.00 \$/m²
 Liner Type 3 1.95 \$/m²
 Liner Type 4 \$/m²
 Liner Type 5 \$/m²
 Liner Type 6 \$/m²
 Specialised Subgrade Treatment 22.00 \$/m²

Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply

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Cost Input

Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill Scenario No. 1

Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic)	Liner Type 1	15.50	\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply				
	Liner Type 2	15.50	\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 3	32.20	\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²					
Liner Protection Layer	Liner Type 1	9.20	\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply				
	Liner Type 2	7.10	\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 3	2.60	\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²					
Leachate Collection and Transmission System								
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)		160.00	\$/m					
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)		60.00	\$/m					
Leachate Collection Sump		10,000	\$ each					
Cleanout Ports/Manholes		5,000	\$ each					
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)		48,000	\$ each					
Leachate Collection Layer	Liner Type 1	12.50	\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply				
	Liner Type 2	12.50	\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 3		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²					
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²					
Leachate Pre-treatment Facility		400,000	\$					
Leachate Disposal System		147,000	\$					
Stormwater Management System								
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)			\$					
Open Drains		50.00	\$/m					
Stabilised Drains / Flumes		75.00	\$/m					
Piped Drains		150.00	\$/m					
Stormwater Treatment Ponds								
Ponds		550,000	\$					
Instrumentation		50,000	\$					
Gas Management System								
Horizontal Collectors		100.00	\$/m					
Vertical Extraction Wells		200.00	\$/m					
Ring Header (below grade)		400.00	\$/m					
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)		70.00	\$/m					
Condensate Traps		2,000	\$ each					
Flare Stations								
Interim		150,000	\$					
Final		550,000	\$					
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement								
Topsoil								
Stockpile to Final Cover		5.00	\$/m ³					
Import Topsoil to Final Cover		35.00	\$/m ³					
Unsuitables								
Stockpile to Final Cover		6.00	\$/m ³					
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil		6.00	\$/m ³					
Sub-Topsoil								
Stockpile to Final Cover		5.60	\$/m ³					
Borrow to Final Cover		5.60	\$/m ³					
Low Permeability Material								
Stockpile to Final Cover		10.00	\$/m ³					
Cut to Fill as Cover		10.00	\$/m ³					
Borrow to Fill as Cover		10.00	\$/m ³					
Geosynthetic layer			\$/m ²					
Drainage layer		6.00	\$/m ²					
Vegetation		0.50	\$/m ²					
Other								
Custom 4		\$	In	Year of Operation				
Custom 5		\$	In	Year of Operation				
Custom 6		\$/yr	For Cell No.					
Custom 7		\$/yr	For Cell No.					
Custom 8		\$/yr	For All Cells					
Custom 9		\$/yr	For All Cells					
OPERATION								
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs	20,000	50,000	75,000	100,000	200,000	300,000	500,000	t/yr
Refuse Placement	11.00	10.50	10.00	9.00	8.00	7.00	6.00	\$/t
Daily Cover	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	0.25	\$/t
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	20,000	30,000	40,000	50,000	60,000	70,000	80,000	\$/yr
General Maintenance	4,000	4,500	5,000	5,500	6,000	6,500	7,000	\$/yr
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	100,000	150,000	175,000	200,000	400,000	550,000	600,000	\$/yr
On-Site Management								
Gate Control & Fee Collection								
Audit Fees								

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Cost Input

Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill

Scenario No. 1

Secretarial Fees		
Accounting Fees		
Legal		
Consultancy		
Insurance		
Waste Acceptance and Inspection		
Health & Safety		
Aftercare Levy	0.24 \$/t	Calculates Last
Royalty & Host Fee		
Intermediate Cover	0.25 \$/t	
Roading (Temporary)	0.75 \$/t	
Leachate Tmt & Disposal		
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	40.00 \$/m ³	
Operation of Disposal System	1.50 \$/m ³	
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	5.00 \$/m ³	
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	5.00 \$/m ³	
Gas Control	2,800 \$/ha/yr	Once Interim Flare Installed
Stormwater Maintenance	10,000 \$/yr	
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	20,000 \$/yr	
Environmental Compliance	40,000 \$/yr	
Bond	0 \$/yr	
Regional Council Costs	12,000 \$/yr	
Rates	4,000 \$/yr	
Water Charges	\$/yr	
Electricity Charges	\$/yr	
Land Leasing	\$/yr	
Custom 10	\$/t	
Custom 11	\$/yr	

CLOSURE

General

Removal of Facilities	100,000 \$
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems	
Final Cover	1.0% of construction cost
Landfill Gas Management System	1.0% of construction cost
Leachate Management System	1.5% of construction cost
Onsite Surface Water Control System	1.5% of construction cost
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	6.0% of construction cost

AFTERCARE

Administration	10,000 \$/yr
Regional Council Liaison	7,500 \$/yr
Site Inspection	100 \$/ha/yr
Final Cover System	
Final Cover maintenance	500 \$/ha/yr
Vegetation maintenance	2,000 \$/ha/yr
Leachate System maintenance	
Leachate Disposal	1.00 \$/m ³
System maintenance	500 \$/ha/yr
Electricity	1,000 \$/ha/yr
Gas Management System	
Maintenance	500 \$/ha/yr
Replacement	500 \$/ha/yr
Electricity	1,000 \$/ha/yr
Environmental Monitoring System	
Groundwater	500 \$/ha/yr
Landfill Gas	500 \$/ha/yr
Leachate	500 \$/ha/yr
Stormwater	500 \$/ha/yr
Removal of Remaining Facilities	50,000 \$
End of Post Closure Certification	20,000 \$
Custom 12	\$/yr
Custom 13	\$/ha/yr

CONTINGENCIES

Predevelopment	25.0% of predevelopment cost
Development	10.0% of development cost
Operations	0.0% of operations cost
Closure	10.0% of closure cost
Aftercare	5.0% of aftercare cost

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Summary		
		
DESCRIPTION		
Project Name:	Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill	
Project Location:	A District	
Scenario No:	1	
Scenario Description:	50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility	
DESIGN PLANNING PARAMETERS (From 1 July 2006)		
Project Commencement Date	1 July 2002	
Operation Commencement Date	1 July 2006	
Actual Landfill Operating Life (Rounded Up)	35 years	Closure due to Sunset Date (30/06/41)
Consented Landfill Operating Life	35 years	Sunset Date = 1 July 2041
Aftercare/ Post Closure Period	30 years	
Number of Phases/Stages/Cells	7	Each cell construction staged in equal annual amounts
Annual Waste Tonnage at Start of Operation	50,000 t/year	
Annual Waste Tonnage Growth Rate	+ 1.5 %	
Minimum Allowable Annual Waste Tonnage	5,000 t/year	
Annual Waste Tonnage at Close of Operation	82,950 t/year	
Total Tonnes Placed in Landfill	2,279,604 t	= 94% of Design Tonnage (2,418,733 t)
Average Waste Tonnage	65,132 t/year	
Target Cover to Waste Ratio (Daily and Intermediate)	1 : 4	
Volume Utilisation	1.56 m ³ /t	
Actual Footprint Area	17.15 Ha	= 100% of Design Footprint Area (17.15 Ha)
Waste Volume	2,849,505 m ³	
Daily And Intermediate Cover	712,376 m ³	
Net Airspace	3,561,882 m ³	= 94% of Design Net Airspace (3,779,271 m ³)
Final Cover	171,500 m ³	
Gross Airspace	3,733,382 m ³	
FINANCIAL PARAMETERS		
Cost of Capital		
Planning And Consenting (Stage 1)	25%	
Construction (Stage 2)	25%	
Operation (Stage 3)	10%	
Aftercare (Stage 4)	10%	
Interest Rate (Risk Free Rate plus 0.5%)	6%	
COSTS SUMMARY		
Sunk Costs	\$ 300,000	
Planning / Pre-development	\$ 3,545,000	
Base Costs	\$ 6,718,016	
Development	\$ 27,959,380	
Operation	\$ 39,208,164	
Closure	\$ 210,135	
Contingency on Capital Costs	\$ 4,375,003	
Contingency on Operational Costs	\$ 0	
Total (excluding Cost of Capital)	\$ 82,315,698	
Total Start-up Costs	\$ 14,627,666	
Total Capital Expenditure	\$ 43,107,534	
Total Operational Expenditure	\$ 39,208,164	
Aftercare Fund at Closure	\$ 1,654,302	Based on Total Footprint Area of 17.15 ha (\$175,040/annum + \$73,500 in Final Year)
Average Whole of Life (AWL) Costs	\$ 36.11 /t	\$ 23.11 /m ³ of net airspace
Net Present Value (NPV) Costs	\$ 0.00 /t	\$ 0.00 /m ³ of net airspace
INDICATIVE COST OF LANDFILL DISPOSAL		
Indicative Base Cost (IBC) at Start of Operation	\$ 62.57 /t	\$ 40.04 /m ³ of net airspace
Mark Up	\$ 12.51	20%
Indicative Gate Rate at Start of Operation	\$ 75.08	
IBC Real Annual Movement	+ 0.0%	(IBC at Close of Operation = \$62.57/t)
TOTAL SOLID WASTE MANAGEMENT SYSTEM COSTS		
Other Management System Costs		
Refuse Collection Costs (Kerbside, etc)		
Transfer Station Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Freight Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Recycling Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Greenwaste/Composting Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Education/Waste Minimisation Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Other Costs	\$ 0 /t	
Total	\$ 0.00 /t	
Landfill Indicative Gate Rate at Start of Operation	\$ 75.08 /t	
Total Solid Waste Management Cost	\$ 75.08 /t	

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DESCRIPTION	
Project Name:	Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Project Location:	A District
Scenario No:	1
Scenario Description:	50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

	Total	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Year No.		2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10
Year End Date		30/06/2003	30/06/2004	30/06/2005	30/06/2006	30/06/2007	30/06/2008	30/06/2009	30/06/2010
Operating Cell		1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4
Actual Waste Placed (t)						50,000	50,750	51,511	52,284
INCOME									
General Refuse	142,631,982					3,128,437	3,175,364	3,222,994	3,271,339
Special Refuse									
Cleanfill									
TOTAL CASH INCOME	142,631,982					3,128,437	3,175,364	3,222,994	3,271,339
SUNK COSTS									
Sunk Costs	300,000	300,000							
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT									
Project Management	160,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000				
Site Selection	100,000	100,000							
Consultation	250,000	83,333	83,333	83,333					
Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements	20,000	20,000							
Survey and Preliminary Design	125,000	125,000							
Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations	200,000		200,000						
Other Detailed Studies (I.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc)	200,000		200,000						
Baseline Monitoring	100,000		33,333	33,333	33,333				
Resource Consent Process									
AEE and Consent Application	650,000		650,000						
Draft Landfill Management Plan	20,000			20,000					
Legal	50,000		25,000	25,000					
Hearing	120,000			120,000					
Appeal	200,000			200,000					
Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs	1,350,000		1,350,000						
Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land									
Custom 1									
Custom 2									
BASE COSTS									
Engineering									
Detailed Design and Documentation (%)	1,612,324			233,721	74,757	74,757	45,531	46,479	46,671
Construction Management (%)	1,746,684				253,198	80,987	80,987	49,326	50,353
Contractors P & G (%)	3,359,008				486,919	155,744	155,744	94,857	96,832
DEVELOPMENT									
Site Access									
Intersection Upgrade	350,000				350,000				
Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions									
Access Road - Intersection to Footprint	715,000				715,000				
Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc)	100,000				100,000				
Site Amenities & Services									
Site Entrance	10,000				10,000				
Administration Building	50,000				50,000				
Weighbridge & Kiosk	225,000				225,000				
Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility	100,000				100,000				
Power & Phone	30,000				30,000				
Sewerage	20,000				20,000				
Water Supply	30,000				30,000				
General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration	55,000				55,000				
Washdown Facility/Wheelwash	100,000				100,000				
Fencing	100,000				100,000				
Landscaping									
Custom 3									
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate									
Sediment Control Structures and Measures									
Clearing	522,000				131,400			99,000	
Clearing Bush	124,800								
Perimeter Access Road	1,400,000				128,000	128,000	128,000	64,000	64,000
Topsoil									
Cut to Stockpile	59,010				3,100	3,100	3,100	1,860	1,860
Unsuitables									
Cut to Stockpile	3,098,400				246,400	246,400	246,400	107,040	107,040
Sub-Topsoil									
Cut to Stockpile	803,736				41,234	41,234	41,234	25,080	25,080
Low Permeability Material									
Cut to Stockpile									
Stockpile to Liner									
Cut to Fill as Liner	1,247,688				78,114	78,114	78,114	44,789	44,789
Borrow to Fill as Liner									
Structural Material									
Cut to Stockpile									
Stockpile to Fill	943,675				119,404	119,404	119,404	41,200	41,200
Cut to Fill	946,656				12,427	12,427	12,427	20,430	20,430
Borrow to Fill	398,500				33,000	33,000	33,000	16,000	16,000
Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage									
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 1	112,200				6,333	6,333	6,333	3,780	3,780
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 2	43,800				3,433	3,433	3,433	1,820	1,820
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 3	30,225								
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 4									
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 5									
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 6									
Specialised Subgrade Treatment	2,640,000				168,667	168,667	168,667	66,000	66,000
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 1	1,739,100				98,167	98,167	98,167	58,590	58,590
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 2	678,900				53,217	53,217	53,217	28,210	28,210
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 3	499,100								
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 4									
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 5									
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 6									
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,032,240				58,267	58,267	58,267	34,776	34,776
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 2	310,980				24,377	24,377	24,377	12,922	12,922
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 3	40,300								
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 4									
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 5									
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 6									
Leachate Collection and Transmission System									
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)	336,800				13,333	13,333	13,333	9,760	9,760
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)	96,000				6,400	6,400	6,400	3,600	3,600
Leachate Collection Sump	20,000				10,000			10,000	
Cleanout Ports/Manholes	50,000				5,000			10,000	
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)	48,000				48,000				

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	Total									
Year No.										
Season										
Year End Date										
Year of Operation										
Operating Cell										
Actual Waste Placed (t)										
			1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
		2002/03	2003/04	2004/05	2005/06	2006/07	2007/08	2008/09	2009/10	
		30/06/2002	30/06/2003	30/06/2004	30/06/2005	30/06/2006	30/06/2007	30/06/2008	30/06/2009	30/06/2010
							1	2	3	4
							1	1	1	2
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,402,500					79,167	79,167	79,167	47,250	47,250
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 2	547,500					42,917	42,917	42,917	22,750	22,750
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 3										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Pre-treatment Facility	400,000									
Leachate Disposal System	147,000									
Stormwater Management System										
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)										
Open Drains										
Stabilised Drains / Flumes										
Piped Drains										
Stormwater Treatment Ponds										
Ponds	550,000					550,000				
Instrumentation	50,000					50,000				
Gas Management System										
Horizontal Collectors	630,000						30,000	30,000	30,000	18,000
Vertical Extraction Wells	590,000									
Ring Header (below grade)	1,140,400									
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	117,250									
Condensate Traps	60,000									
Flare Stations										
Interim	150,000									
Final	550,000									
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement										
Topsail										
Stockpile to Final Cover	85,750									5,000
Import Topsail to Final Cover										
Unsuitables										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsail										
Sub-Topsail										
Stockpile to Final Cover	288,120									16,800
Borrow to Final Cover										
Low Permeability Material										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Cut to Fill as Cover										
Borrow to Fill as Cover	1,029,000									60,000
Geosynthetic layer										
Drainage layer	1,029,000									60,000
Vegetation	85,750									5,000
Other										
Custom 4										
Custom 5										
Custom 6										
Custom 7										
Custom 8										
Custom 9										
CLOSURE										
General										
Removal of Facilities	100,000									
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems										
Final Cover	11,148									
Landfill Gas Management System	32,377									
Leachate Management System	45,717									
Onsite Surface Water Control System	9,000									
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	11,894									
CONTINGENCIES										
Predevelopment	886,250	92,083	645,417	130,417	18,333					
Development	3,467,740			23,372	471,023	155,744	152,822	94,952	96,851	
Closure	21,014									
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	43,107,534	300,000	460,417	3,227,083	909,177	5,272,920	1,713,189	1,681,041	1,044,471	1,065,364
OPERATION										
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs										
Refuse Placement	20,749,079						493,750	498,777	503,808	508,840
Daily Cover	569,901						12,500	12,688	12,878	13,071
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	1,696,220						41,250	41,719	42,195	42,677
General Maintenance	189,811						5,063	5,086	5,110	5,134
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	7,323,658						178,125	179,297	180,486	181,694
Aftercare Levy	549,228						12,047	12,227	12,411	12,597
Royalty & Host Fee										
Intermediate Cover	569,901						12,500	12,688	12,878	13,071
Roading (Temporary)	1,709,703						37,500	38,063	38,633	39,213
Leachate Tmt & Disposal										
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	1,156,400						39,067	78,133	117,200	139,600
Operation of Disposal System	653,820									
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	144,550						4,883	9,767	14,650	17,450
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)										
Gas Control	885,892									
Stormwater Maintenance	350,000						10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	700,000						20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Environmental Compliance	1,400,000						40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Bond										
Regional Council Costs	420,000						12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Rates	140,000						4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Water Charges										
Electricity Charges										
Land Leasing										
Custom 10										
Custom 11										
CONTINGENCIES										
Operations										
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164						922,684	974,444	1,026,249	1,059,347
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	82,315,698	300,000	460,417	3,227,083	909,177	5,272,920	2,635,873	2,655,484	2,070,719	2,124,711
NET CASHFLOW		(300,000)	(460,417)	(3,227,083)	(909,177)	(5,272,920)	492,564	519,880	1,152,275	1,146,628

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Cashflow Detail

DESCRIPTION	
Project Name:	Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Project Location:	A District
Scenario No:	1
Scenario Description:	50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

	Total	9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Year No.		2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Year End Date		30/06/2011	30/06/2012	30/06/2013	30/06/2014	30/06/2015	30/06/2016	30/06/2017	30/06/2018	30/06/2019
Year of Operation		5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Operating Cell		2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
Actual Waste Placed (t)		53,068	53,864	54,672	55,492	56,325	57,169	58,027	58,897	59,781
INCOME										
General Refuse	142,631,982	3,320,409	3,370,215	3,420,769	3,472,080	3,524,161	3,577,024	3,630,679	3,685,139	3,740,416
Special Refuse										
Cleanfill										
TOTAL CASH INCOME	142,631,982	3,320,409	3,370,215	3,420,769	3,472,080	3,524,161	3,577,024	3,630,679	3,685,139	3,740,416
SUNK COSTS										
Sunk Costs	300,000									
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT										
Project Management	160,000									
Site Selection	100,000									
Consultation	250,000									
Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements	20,000									
Survey and Preliminary Design	125,000									
Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations	200,000									
Other Detailed Studies (I.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc)	200,000									
Baseline Monitoring	100,000									
Resource Consent Process										
AEE and Consent Application	650,000									
Draft Landfill Management Plan	20,000									
Legal	50,000									
Hearing	120,000									
Appeal	200,000									
Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs	1,350,000									
Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land										
Custom 1										
Custom 2										
BASE COSTS										
Engineering										
Detailed Design and Documentation (%)	1,612,324	37,671	37,671	58,987	27,156	17,027	17,027	17,027	17,027	37,408
Construction Management (%)	1,746,684	50,561	40,811	40,811	63,903	29,419	18,446	18,446	18,446	18,446
Contractors P & G (%)	3,359,008	97,232	78,482	78,482	122,890	56,575	35,473	35,473	35,473	35,473
DEVELOPMENT										
Site Access										
Intersection Upgrade	350,000									
Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions										
Access Road - Intersection to Footprint	715,000									
Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc)	100,000									
Site Amenities & Services										
Site Entrance	10,000									
Administration Building	50,000									
Weighbridge & Kiosk	225,000									
Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility	100,000									
Power & Phone	30,000									
Sewerage	20,000									
Water Supply	30,000									
General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration	55,000									
Washdown Facility/Wheelwash	100,000									
Fencing	100,000									
Landscaping										
Custom 3										
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate										
Sediment Control Structures and Measures										
Clearing	522,000				75,600					
Clearing Bush	124,800				21,600					
Perimeter Access Road	1,400,000	64,000	64,000	64,000	17,333	17,333	17,333	17,333	17,333	17,333
Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	59,010	1,860	1,860	1,860	1,060	1,060	1,060	1,060	1,060	1,060
Unsuitables										
Cut to Stockpile	3,098,400	107,040	107,040	107,040	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000
Sub-Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	803,736	25,080	25,080	25,080	14,151	14,151	14,151	14,151	14,151	14,151
Low Permeability Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Liner										
Cut to Fill as Liner										
Borrow to Fill as Liner	1,247,688	44,789	44,789	44,789	14,796	14,796	14,796	14,796	14,796	14,796
Structural Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Fill	943,675	41,200	41,200	41,200	22,335	22,335	22,335	22,335	22,335	22,335
Borrow to Fill	946,656	20,430	20,430	20,430						
Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage	398,500	16,000	16,000	16,000	750	750	750	750	750	750
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 1	112,200	3,780	3,780	3,780	1,850	1,850	1,850	1,850	1,850	1,850
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 2	43,800	1,820	1,820	1,820						
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 3	30,225				2,828	2,828	2,828	2,828	2,828	2,828
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 4										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 5										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 6										
Specialised Subgrade Treatment	2,640,000	66,000	66,000	66,000	25,667	25,667	25,667	25,667	25,667	25,667
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 1	1,739,100	58,590	58,590	58,590	28,675	28,675	28,675	28,675	28,675	28,675
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 2	678,900	28,210	28,210	28,210						
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 3	499,100				46,690	46,690	46,690	46,690	46,690	46,690
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 4										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 5										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 6										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,032,240	34,776	34,776	34,776	17,020	17,020	17,020	17,020	17,020	17,020
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 2	310,980	12,922	12,922	12,922						
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 3	40,300				3,770	3,770	3,770	3,770	3,770	3,770
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Collection and Transmission System										
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)	336,800	9,760	9,760	9,760	9,067	9,067	9,067	9,067	9,067	9,067
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)	96,000	3,600	3,600	3,600	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
Leachate Collection Sump	20,000									
Cleanout Ports/Manholes	50,000									
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)	48,000				5,000					

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	Total									
Year No.		9	10	11	12	13	14	15	16	17
Season		2010/11	2011/12	2012/13	2013/14	2014/15	2015/16	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19
Year End Date		30/06/2011	30/06/2012	30/06/2013	30/06/2014	30/06/2015	30/06/2016	30/06/2017	30/06/2018	30/06/2019
Year of Operation		5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
Operating Cell		2	2	2	2	3	3	3	3	3
Actual Waste Placed (t)		53,068	53,864	54,672	55,492	56,325	57,169	58,027	58,897	59,761
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,402,500	47,250	47,250	47,250	23,125	23,125	23,125	23,125	23,125	23,125
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 2	547,500	22,750	22,750	22,750						
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 3										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Pre-treatment Facility	400,000				400,000					
Leachate Disposal System	147,000				147,000					
Stormwater Management System										
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)										
Open Drains										
Stabilised Drains / Flumes										
Piped Drains										
Stormwater Treatment Ponds										
Ponds	550,000									
Instrumentation	50,000									
Gas Management System										
Horizontal Collectors	630,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000	15,000
Vertical Extraction Wells	590,000					19,667	19,667	19,667	19,667	19,667
Ring Header (below grade)	1,140,400				56,800					
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	117,250									
Condensate Traps	60,000				10,000					
Flare Stations										
Interim	150,000	150,000								
Final	550,000									
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement										
Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	85,750					5,750				
Import Topsoil to Final Cover										
Unsuitables										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil										
Sub-Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	288,120					19,320				
Borrow to Final Cover										
Low Permeability Material										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Cut to Fill as Cover										
Borrow to Fill as Cover	1,029,000					69,000				
Geosynthetic layer										
Drainage layer	1,029,000					69,000				
Vegetation	85,750					5,750				
Other										
Custom 4										
Custom 5										
Custom 6										
Custom 7										
Custom 8										
Custom 9										
CLOSURE										
General										
Removal of Facilities	100,000									
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems										
Final Cover	11,148									
Landfill Gas Management System	32,377									
Leachate Management System	45,717									
Onsite Surface Water Control System	9,000									
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	11,894									
CONTINGENCIES										
Predevelopment	886,250									
Development	3,467,740	96,332	78,482	80,614	119,707	55,563	35,473	35,473	35,473	37,511
Closure	21,014									
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	43,107,534	1,059,653	863,303	886,750	1,316,772	611,188	390,202	390,202	390,202	412,621
OPERATION										
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs										
Refuse Placement	20,749,079	513,872	518,900	523,923	528,937	533,941	538,932	543,905	548,860	553,792
Daily Cover	569,901	13,267	13,466	13,668	13,873	14,081	14,292	14,507	14,724	14,945
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	1,696,220	43,168	43,665	44,170	44,683	45,203	45,731	46,267	46,811	47,363
General Maintenance	189,811	5,158	5,183	5,209	5,234	5,260	5,287	5,313	5,341	5,368
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	7,323,658	182,919	184,163	185,425	186,707	188,007	189,327	190,667	192,027	193,408
Aftercare Levy	549,228	12,786	12,978	13,172	13,370	13,570	13,774	13,981	14,190	14,403
Royalty & Host Fee	569,901	13,267	13,466	13,668	13,873	14,081	14,292	14,507	14,724	14,945
Intermediate Cover	1,709,703	39,801	40,398	41,004	41,619	42,243	42,877	43,520	44,173	44,836
Leachate Tmt & Disposal										
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	1,156,400	162,000	184,400	206,800	229,200					
Operation of Disposal System	653,820					16,590	17,085	17,580	18,075	18,570
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	144,550	20,250	23,050	25,850	28,650					
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)										
Gas Control	885,892		12,908	14,476	16,044	16,968	17,892	18,816	19,740	20,664
Stormwater Maintenance	350,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	700,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Environmental Compliance	1,400,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Bond										
Regional Council Costs	420,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Rates	140,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Water Charges										
Electricity Charges										
Land Leasing										
Custom 10										
Custom 11										
CONTINGENCIES										
Operations										
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164	1,092,488	1,138,577	1,173,365	1,208,190	975,946	985,489	995,063	1,004,666	1,014,294
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	82,315,698	2,152,141	2,001,880	2,060,115	2,524,962	1,587,133	1,375,692	1,385,266	1,394,868	1,426,915
NET CASHFLOW		1,168,268	1,368,335	1,360,653	947,118	1,937,028	2,201,332	2,245,413	2,290,271	2,313,501

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Cashflow Detail

DESCRIPTION	
Project Name:	Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Project Location:	A District
Scenario No:	1
Scenario Description:	50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

	Total									
	Year No.	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Season	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2027/28
Year End Date	30/06/2020	30/06/2021	30/06/2022	30/06/2023	30/06/2024	30/06/2025	30/06/2026	30/06/2027	30/06/2027	30/06/2028
Year of Operation	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	22
Operating Cell	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5
Actual Waste Placed (t)	60,678	61,588	62,512	63,449	64,401	65,367	66,348	67,343	68,353	68,353
INCOME										
General Refuse	142,631,982	3,796,523	3,853,470	3,911,272	3,969,942	4,029,491	4,089,933	4,151,282	4,213,551	4,276,755
Special Refuse										
Cleanfill										
TOTAL CASH INCOME	142,631,982	3,796,523	3,853,470	3,911,272	3,969,942	4,029,491	4,089,933	4,151,282	4,213,551	4,276,755
SUNK COSTS										
Sunk Costs	300,000									
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT										
Project Management	160,000									
Site Selection	100,000									
Consultation	250,000									
Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements	20,000									
Survey and Preliminary Design	125,000									
Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations	200,000									
Other Detailed Studies (I.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc)	200,000									
Baseline Monitoring	100,000									
Resource Consent Process										
AEE and Consent Application	650,000									
Draft Landfill Management Plan	20,000									
Legal	50,000									
Hearing	120,000									
Appeal	200,000									
Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs	1,350,000									
Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land										
Custom 1										
Custom 2										
BASE COSTS										
Engineering										
Detailed Design and Documentation (%)	1,612,324	43,221	25,605	25,605	25,605	48,175	55,612	37,996	37,996	37,996
Construction Management (%)	1,746,684	40,525	46,822	27,738	27,738	27,738	52,189	60,246	41,162	41,162
Contractors P & G (%)	3,359,008	77,933	90,043	53,343	53,343	53,343	100,364	115,858	79,158	79,158
DEVELOPMENT										
Site Access										
Intersection Upgrade	350,000									
Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions										
Access Road - Intersection to Footprint	715,000									
Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc)	100,000									
Site Amenities & Services										
Site Entrance	10,000									
Administration Building	50,000									
Weighbridge & Kiosk	225,000									
Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility	100,000									
Power & Phone	30,000									
Sewerage	20,000									
Water Supply	30,000									
General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration	55,000									
Washdown Facility/Wheelwash	100,000									
Fencing	100,000									
Landscaping										
Custom 3										
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate										
Sediment Control Structures and Measures										
Clearing	522,000	32,400					52,200			
Clearing Bush	124,800	81,000					22,200			
Perimeter Access Road	1,400,000						44,800	44,800	44,800	44,800
Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	59,010	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	1,080	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160
Unsuitables										
Cut to Stockpile	3,098,400	84,480	84,480	84,480	84,480	84,480	80,160	80,160	80,160	80,160
Sub-Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	803,736	14,447	14,447	14,447	14,447	14,447	31,089	31,089	31,089	31,089
Low Permeability Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Liner										
Cut to Fill as Liner	1,247,688	15,836	15,836	15,836	15,836	15,836	39,990	39,990	39,990	39,990
Borrow to Fill as Liner										
Structural Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Fill	943,675	10,308	10,308	10,308	10,308	10,308	14,525	14,525	14,525	14,525
Cut to Fill	946,656	43,179	43,179	43,179	43,179	43,179	36,153	36,153	36,153	36,153
Borrow to Fill										
Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage	398,500	5,600	5,600	5,600	5,600	5,600	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 1	112,200	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	1,980	4,060	4,060	4,060	4,060
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 2	43,800						940	940	940	940
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 3	30,225	2,652	2,652	2,652	2,652	2,652				
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 4										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 5										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 6										
Specialised Subgrade Treatment	2,640,000	79,200	79,200	79,200	79,200	79,200	110,000	110,000	110,000	110,000
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 1	1,739,100	30,690	30,690	30,690	30,690	30,690	62,930	62,930	62,930	62,930
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 2	678,900						14,570	14,570	14,570	14,570
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 3	499,100	43,792	43,792	43,792	43,792	43,792				
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 4										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 5										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 6										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,032,240	18,216	18,216	18,216	18,216	18,216	37,352	37,352	37,352	37,352
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 2	310,980						6,674	6,674	6,674	6,674
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 3	40,300	3,536	3,536	3,536	3,536	3,536				
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Collection and Transmission System										
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)	336,800	3,360	3,360	3,360	3,360	3,360	21,600	21,600	21,600	21,600
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)	96,000	2,040	2,040	2,040	2,040	2,040	2,160	2,160	2,160	2,160
Leachate Collection Sump	20,000									
Cleanout Ports/Manholes	50,000						5,000			
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)	48,000									

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Year No. Season Year End Date Year of Operation Operating Cell	Total									
	18 2019/20 30/06/2020 14 3	19 2020/21 30/06/2021 15 4	20 2021/22 30/06/2022 16 4	21 2022/23 30/06/2023 17 4	22 2023/24 30/06/2024 18 4	23 2024/25 30/06/2025 19 4	24 2025/26 30/06/2026 20 5	25 2026/27 30/06/2027 21 5	26 2027/28 30/06/2028 22 5	
Actual Waste Placed (t)	60,678	61,588	62,512	63,449	64,401	65,367	66,348	67,343	68,353	
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,402,500	24,750	24,750	24,750	24,750	24,750	50,750	50,750	50,750	
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 2	547,500						11,750	11,750	11,750	
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 3										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Pre-treatment Facility	400,000									
Leachate Disposal System	147,000									
Stormwater Management System										
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)										
Open Drains										
Stabilised Drains / Flumes										
Piped Drains										
Stormwater Treatment Ponds										
Ponds	550,000									
Instrumentation	50,000									
Gas Management System										
Horizontal Collectors	630,000	15,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	
Vertical Extraction Wells	590,000	19,667	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	
Ring Header (below grade)	1,140,400	56,800					56,800			
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	117,250	23,450					23,450			
Condensate Traps	60,000	10,000					10,000			
Flare Stations										
Interim	150,000									
Final	550,000									
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement										
Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	85,750		10,000					10,000		
Import Topsoil to Final Cover										
Unsuitables										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil										
Sub-Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	288,120		33,600					33,600		
Borrow to Final Cover										
Low Permeability Material										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Cut to Fill as Cover										
Borrow to Fill as Cover	1,029,000		120,000					120,000		
Geosynthetic layer										
Drainage layer	1,029,000		120,000					120,000		
Vegetation	85,750		10,000					10,000		
Other										
Custom 4										
Custom 5										
Custom 6										
Custom 7										
Custom 8										
Custom 9										
CLOSURE										
General										
Removal of Facilities	100,000									
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems										
Final Cover	11,148									
Landfill Gas Management System	32,377									
Leachate Management System	45,717									
Onsite Surface Water Control System	9,000									
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	11,894									
CONTINGENCIES										
Predevelopment	886,250									
Development	3,467,740	78,514	88,262	53,343	53,343	55,600	101,108	114,096	79,158	
Closure	21,014									
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	43,107,534	863,655	971,097	586,775	586,775	611,602	1,112,185	1,255,058	870,736	870,736
OPERATION										
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs										
Refuse Placement	20,749,079	558,698	563,575	568,420	573,227	579,206	586,907	594,694	602,567	610,527
Daily Cover	569,901	15,169	15,397	15,628	15,862	16,100	16,342	16,587	16,836	17,088
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	1,696,220	47,924	48,492	49,070	49,656	50,243	50,830	51,417	52,004	52,591
General Maintenance	189,811	5,396	5,425	5,453	5,483	5,503	5,511	5,518	5,526	5,534
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	7,323,658	194,809	196,231	197,674	199,139	201,253	204,272	207,336	210,446	213,603
Aftercare Levy	549,228	14,619	14,838	15,061	15,287	15,516	15,749	15,985	16,225	16,468
Royalty & Host Fee	569,901	15,169	15,397	15,628	15,862	16,100	16,342	16,587	16,836	17,088
Intermediate Cover	1,709,703	45,508	46,191	46,884	47,587	48,301	49,025	49,761	50,507	51,265
Leachate Tmt & Disposal										
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	1,156,400									
Operation of Disposal System	653,820	19,065	19,566	20,067	20,568	21,069	21,570	22,320	23,070	23,820
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	144,550									
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)										
Gas Control	885,892	21,588	22,523	23,458	24,394	25,329	26,264	27,664	29,064	30,464
Stormwater Maintenance	350,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	700,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Environmental Compliance	1,400,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Bond										
Regional Council Costs	420,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Rates	140,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Water Charges										
Electricity Charges										
Land Leasing										
Custom 10										
Custom 11										
CONTINGENCIES										
Operations										
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164	1,023,946	1,033,636	1,043,343	1,053,066	1,064,440	1,078,195	1,092,819	1,107,599	1,122,537
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	82,315,698	1,887,601	2,004,733	1,630,118	1,639,841	1,676,042	2,190,380	2,347,877	1,978,335	1,993,273
NET CASHFLOW		1,908,922	1,848,738	2,281,154	2,330,101	2,353,449	1,899,553	1,803,405	2,235,216	2,283,481

MfE Landfill Full Cost Accounting Model

Cashflow Detail

DESCRIPTION	Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
Project Name:	A District
Project Location:	1
Scenario No:	50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility
Scenario Description:	

	Total									
Year No.		27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35
Season		2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35	2035/36	2036/37
Year End Date		30/06/2029	30/06/2030	30/06/2031	30/06/2032	30/06/2033	30/06/2034	30/06/2035	30/06/2036	30/06/2037
Year of Operation		23	24	25	26	27	28	29	30	31
Operating Cell		5	5	6	6	6	6	6	7	7
Actual Waste Placed (t)		69,378	70,419	71,475	72,547	73,635	74,740	75,861	76,999	78,154
INCOME										
General Refuse	142,631,982	4,340,906	4,406,019	4,472,110	4,539,191	4,607,279	4,676,388	4,746,534	4,817,732	4,889,998
Special Refuse										
Cleanfill										
TOTAL CASH INCOME	142,631,982	4,340,906	4,406,019	4,472,110	4,539,191	4,607,279	4,676,388	4,746,534	4,817,732	4,889,998
SUNK COSTS										
Sunk Costs	300,000									
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT										
Project Management	160,000									
Site Selection	100,000									
Consultation	250,000									
Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements	20,000									
Survey and Preliminary Design	125,000									
Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations	200,000									
Other Detailed Studies (I.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc)	200,000									
Baseline Monitoring	100,000									
Resource Consent Process										
AEE and Consent Application	650,000									
Draft Landfill Management Plan	20,000									
Legal	50,000									
Hearing	120,000									
Appeal	200,000									
Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs	1,350,000									
Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land										
Custom 1										
Custom 2										
BASE COSTS										
Engineering										
Detailed Design and Documentation (%)	1,612,324	55,607	42,320	57,704	24,704	24,704	60,886	72,119	36,887	36,887
Construction Management (%)	1,746,684	41,162	60,241	45,847	62,513	26,763	26,763	65,960	78,129	39,961
Contractors P & G (%)	3,359,008	79,158	115,848	88,167	120,217	51,467	51,467	126,847	150,249	76,849
DEVELOPMENT										
Site Access										
Intersection Upgrade	350,000									
Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions										
Access Road - Intersection to Footprint	715,000									
Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc)	100,000									
Site Amenities & Services										
Site Entrance	10,000									
Administration Building	50,000									
Weighbridge & Kiosk	225,000									
Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility	100,000									
Power & Phone	30,000									
Sewerage	20,000									
Water Supply	30,000									
General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration	55,000									
Washdown Facility/Wheelwash	100,000									
Fencing	100,000									
Landscaping										
Custom 3										
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate										
Sediment Control Structures and Measures										
Clearing	522,000		72,000					59,400		
Clearing Bush	124,800									
Perimeter Access Road	1,400,000	44,800	44,800	44,800	44,800	44,800	44,800	24,000	24,000	24,000
Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	59,010	2,160	1,590	1,590	1,590	1,590	1,590	1,650	1,650	1,650
Unsuitables										
Cut to Stockpile	3,098,400	80,160	26,880	26,880	26,880	26,880	26,880	126,400	126,400	126,400
Sub-Topsail										
Cut to Stockpile	803,736	31,089	21,762	21,762	21,762	21,762	21,762	22,206	22,206	22,206
Low Permeability Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Liner										
Cut to Fill as Liner										
Borrow to Fill as Liner	1,247,688	39,990	36,311	36,311	36,311	36,311	36,311	39,990	39,990	39,990
Structural Material										
Cut to Stockpile										
Stockpile to Fill	943,675	14,525	13,808	13,808	13,808	13,808	13,808	8,708	8,708	8,708
Borrow to Fill	946,656	36,153	14,839	14,839	14,839	14,839	14,839	56,063	56,063	56,063
Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage	398,500	20,000	400	400	400	400	400	14,167	14,167	14,167
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 1	112,200	4,060	4,540	4,540	4,540	4,540	4,540	1,717	1,717	1,717
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 2	43,800	940						3,283	3,283	3,283
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 3	30,225									
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 4										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 5										
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner - Liner Type 6										
Specialised Subgrade Treatment	2,640,000	110,000	26,400	26,400	26,400	26,400	26,400	95,333	95,333	95,333
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 1	1,739,100	62,930	70,370	70,370	70,370	70,370	70,370	26,608	26,608	26,608
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 2	678,900	14,570						50,892	50,892	50,892
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 3	499,100									
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 4										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 5										
Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic) - Liner Type 6										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,032,240	37,352	41,768	41,768	41,768	41,768	41,768	15,793	15,793	15,793
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 2	310,980	6,674						23,312	23,312	23,312
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 3	40,300									
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Liner Protection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Collection and Transmission System										
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)	336,800	21,600	8,960	8,960	8,960	8,960	8,960	4,000	4,000	4,000
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)	96,000	2,160	960	960	960	960	960	3,500	3,500	3,500
Leachate Collection Sump	20,000									
Cleanout Ports/Manholes	50,000		10,000					15,000		
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)	48,000									

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Year No. Season Year End Date Year of Operation Operating Cell	Total									
	27 2028/29 30/06/2029 23	28 2029/30 30/06/2030 24	29 2030/31 30/06/2031 25	30 2031/32 30/06/2032 26	31 2032/33 30/06/2033 27	32 2033/34 30/06/2034 28	33 2034/35 30/06/2035 29	34 2035/36 30/06/2036 30	35 2036/37 30/06/2037 31	
Actual Waste Placed (t)	69,378	70,419	71,475	72,547	73,635	74,740	75,861	76,999	78,154	
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 1	1,402,500	50,750	56,750	56,750	56,750	56,750	56,750	21,458	21,458	21,458
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 2	547,500	11,750						41,042	41,042	41,042
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 3										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 4										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 5										
Leachate Collection Layer - Liner Type 6										
Leachate Pre-treatment Facility	400,000									
Leachate Disposal System	147,000									
Stormwater Management System										
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)										
Open Drains										
Stabilised Drains / Flumes										
Piped Drains										
Stormwater Treatment Ponds										
Ponds	550,000									
Instrumentation	50,000									
Gas Management System										
Horizontal Collectors	630,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	18,000	15,000	15,000
Vertical Extraction Wells	590,000	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	23,600	19,667	19,667
Ring Header (below grade)	1,140,400		399,600							
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)	117,250		23,450							
Condensate Traps	60,000		10,000					10,000		
Flare Stations										
Interim	150,000									
Final	550,000				550,000					
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement										
Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	85,750			10,000					20,000	
Import Topsoil to Final Cover										
Unsuitables										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil										
Sub-Topsoil										
Stockpile to Final Cover	288,120			33,600					67,200	
Borrow to Final Cover										
Low Permeability Material										
Stockpile to Final Cover										
Cut to Fill as Cover										
Borrow to Fill as Cover	1,029,000			120,000					240,000	
Geosynthetic layer										
Drainage layer	1,029,000			120,000					240,000	
Vegetation	85,750			10,000					20,000	
Other										
Custom 4										
Custom 5										
Custom 6										
Custom 7										
Custom 8										
Custom 9										
CLOSURE										
General										
Removal of Facilities	100,000									
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems										
Final Cover	11,148									
Landfill Gas Management System	32,377									
Leachate Management System	45,717									
Onsite Surface Water Control System	9,000									
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	11,894									
CONTINGENCIES										
Predevelopment	886,250									
Development	3,467,740	80,919	114,520	89,706	116,917	51,467	55,085	127,970	146,725	76,849
Closure	21,014									
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	43,107,534	890,108	1,259,717	986,761	1,286,089	566,139	605,939	1,407,668	1,613,979	845,335
OPERATION										
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs										
Refuse Placement	20,749,079	618,574	626,707	634,928	643,237	651,633	660,118	668,691	677,352	686,102
Daily Cover	569,901	17,345	17,605	17,869	18,137	18,409	18,685	18,965	19,250	19,539
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	1,696,220	50,840	51,003	51,168	51,336	51,506	51,678	51,853	52,031	52,212
General Maintenance	189,811	5,542	5,550	5,558	5,567	5,575	5,584	5,593	5,602	5,611
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	7,323,658	216,807	220,059	223,360	226,710	230,111	233,563	237,066	240,622	244,231
Aftercare Levy	549,228	16,715	16,966	17,221	17,479	17,741	18,007	18,277	18,551	18,830
Royalty & Host Fee	569,901	17,345	17,605	17,869	18,137	18,409	18,685	18,965	19,250	19,539
Intermediate Cover	1,709,703	52,034	52,814	53,606	54,410	55,227	56,055	56,896	57,749	58,616
Leachate Tmt & Disposal										
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	1,156,400									
Operation of Disposal System	653,820	24,570	25,320	26,001	26,682	27,363	28,044	28,725	29,475	30,225
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	144,550									
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)										
Gas Control	885,892	31,864	33,264	34,535	35,806	37,078	38,349	39,620	41,020	42,420
Stormwater Maintenance	350,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000	10,000
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	700,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000	20,000
Environmental Compliance	1,400,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000	40,000
Bond										
Regional Council Costs	420,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000	12,000
Rates	140,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000	4,000
Water Charges										
Electricity Charges										
Land Leasing										
Custom 10										
Custom 11										
CONTINGENCIES										
Operations										
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164	1,137,635	1,152,893	1,168,115	1,183,501	1,199,051	1,214,767	1,230,651	1,246,902	1,263,323
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	82,315,698	2,027,743	2,412,610	2,154,876	2,469,590	1,765,190	1,820,706	2,638,319	2,860,881	2,108,657
NET CASHFLOW		2,313,163	1,993,410	2,317,234	2,069,602	2,842,090	2,855,682	2,108,215	1,956,851	2,781,341

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Cashflow Summary

DESCRIPTION
 Project Name: Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
 Project Location: A District
 Scenario No: 1
 Scenario Description: 50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

Year No.	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	26	27	28	29	
Season	2016/17	2017/18	2018/19	2019/20	2020/21	2021/22	2022/23	2023/24	2024/25	2025/26	2026/27	2027/28	2028/29	2029/30	2030/31	
Year End Date	30/06/2017	30/06/2018	30/06/2019	30/06/2020	30/06/2021	30/06/2022	30/06/2023	30/06/2024	30/06/2025	30/06/2026	30/06/2027	30/06/2028	30/06/2029	30/06/2030	30/06/2031	
Year of Operation	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20	21	22	23	24	25	
Operating Cell	3	3	3	3	4	4	4	4	4	5	5	5	5	5	6	
Actual Waste Placed (t)	58,027	58,897	59,781	60,678	61,588	62,512	63,449	64,401	65,367	66,348	67,343	68,353	69,378	70,419	71,475	
INCOME																
General Refuse	3,630,679	3,685,139	3,740,416	3,796,523	3,853,470	3,911,272	3,969,942	4,029,491	4,089,933	4,151,282	4,213,551	4,276,755	4,340,906	4,406,019	4,472,110	
Special Refuse																
Cleanfill																
TOTAL CASH INCOME	3,630,679	3,685,139	3,740,416	3,796,523	3,853,470	3,911,272	3,969,942	4,029,491	4,089,933	4,151,282	4,213,551	4,276,755	4,340,906	4,406,019	4,472,110	
SUNK COSTS	300,000															
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT	3,545,000															
BASE COSTS	6,718,016	70,946	81,327	161,679	162,470	106,686	106,686	129,256	208,185	214,100	158,316	158,316	175,927	218,410	191,718	
DEVELOPMENT	1,165,000															
Site Access	720,000															
Site Amenities & Services	19,719,110	249,117	249,117	498,545	385,145	385,145	385,145	385,145	671,062	591,662	591,662	591,662	591,662	452,137	370,137	
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate	600,000															
Stormwater Management System	3,237,650	34,667	34,667	124,917	41,600	41,600	41,600	41,600	131,850	41,600	41,600	41,600	41,600	474,650	41,600	
Gas Management System	2,517,620				293,600					293,600					293,600	
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement																
Other																
CLOSURE	210,135															
CONTINGENCIES	4,375,003	35,473	35,473	78,514	86,282	53,343	53,343	55,600	101,108	114,096	79,158	79,158	80,919	114,520	89,706	
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	43,107,534	390,202	412,621	863,655	971,097	586,775	586,775	611,602	1,112,185	1,255,058	870,736	870,736	890,108	1,259,717	986,761	
OPERATION																
CONTINGENCIES																
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164	995,063	1,004,666	1,014,294	1,023,946	1,043,343	1,053,066	1,064,440	1,078,195	1,092,819	1,107,599	1,122,537	1,137,635	1,152,893	1,168,115	
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	82,315,698	1,385,266	1,394,868	1,426,915	1,857,601	1,630,118	1,639,841	1,676,042	2,190,380	2,347,877	1,978,335	1,993,273	2,027,743	2,412,610	2,154,876	
NET CASHFLOW	2,245,413	2,290,271	2,313,501	1,908,922	1,848,738	2,281,154	2,330,101	2,353,449	1,899,563	1,803,405	2,235,216	2,283,481	2,313,163	1,993,410	2,317,234	

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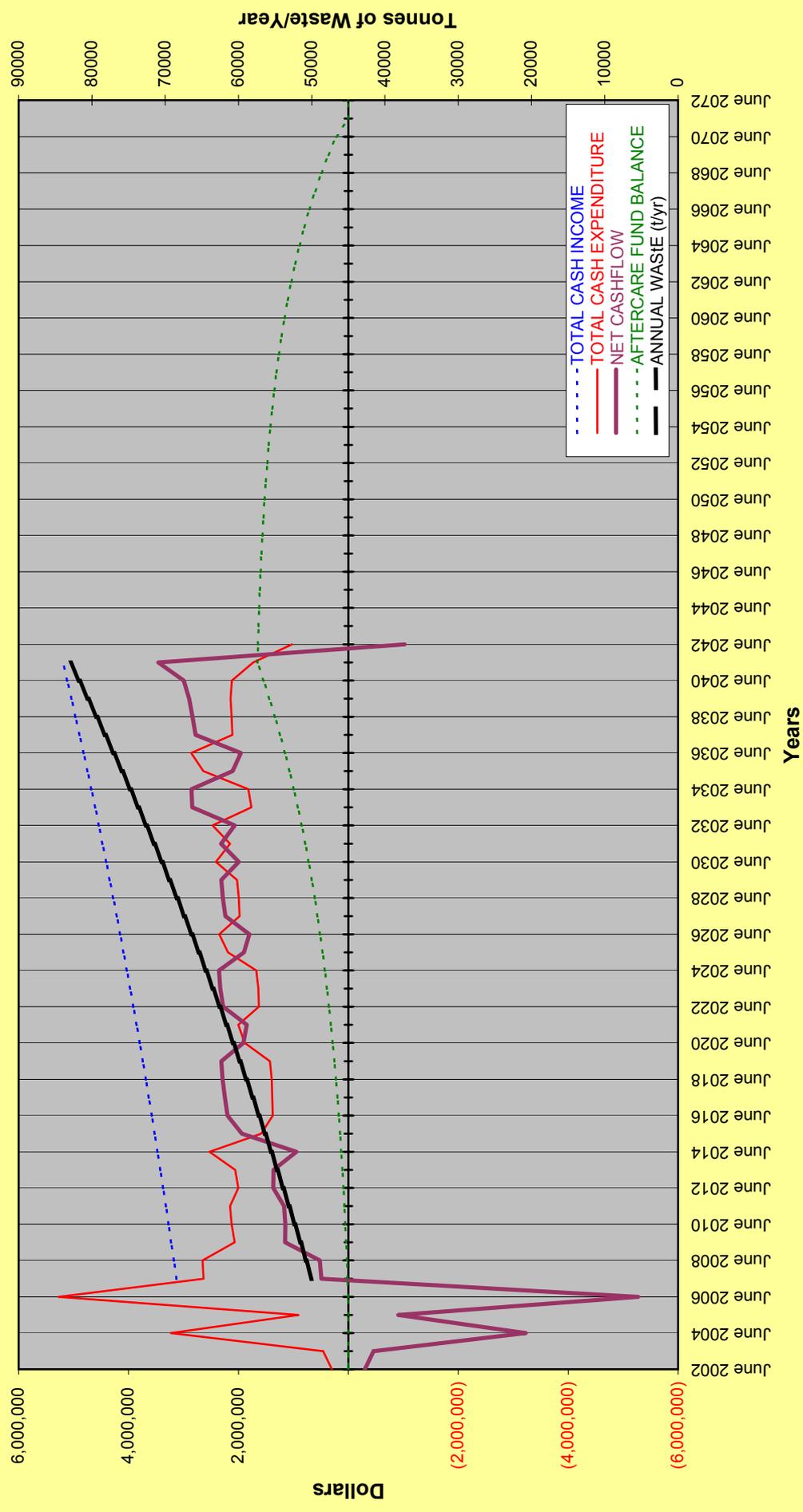
Cashflow Summary

DESCRIPTION
 Project Name: Typical Example - Hypothetical Landfill
 Project Location: A District
 Scenario No: 1
 Scenario Description: 50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

	30	31	32	33	34	35	36	37	38	39	40
Year No.	2031/32	2032/33	2033/34	2034/35	2035/36	2036/37	2037/38	2038/39	2039/40	2040/41	2041/42
Season	30/06/2032	30/06/2033	30/06/2034	30/06/2035	30/06/2036	30/06/2037	30/06/2038	30/06/2039	30/06/2040	30/06/2041	30/06/2042
Year End Date	26	27	28	29	30	31	32	33	34	35	36
Year of Operation	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Operating Cell	6	6	6	6	7	7	7	7	7	7	7
Actual Waste Placed (t)	72,547	73,635	74,740	75,861	76,999	78,154	79,326	80,516	81,724	82,950	
INCOME											
General Refuse	4,539,191	4,607,279	4,676,388	4,746,534	4,817,732	4,889,998	4,963,348	5,037,798	5,113,365	5,190,066	
Special Refuse											
Cleanfill											
TOTAL CASH INCOME	4,539,191	4,607,279	4,676,388	4,746,534	4,817,732	4,889,998	4,963,348	5,037,798	5,113,365	5,190,066	
SUNK COSTS	300,000										
PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT	3,545,000										
BASE COSTS	6,718,016	102,934	139,116	264,926	265,265	153,697	153,697	153,697	116,810		
DEVELOPMENT	1,165,000										
Site Access	720,000										
Site Amenities & Services	19,719,110	370,137	370,137	654,522	580,122	580,122	580,122	580,122	580,122	580,122	
Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate	600,000										
Stormwater Management System	3,237,650	41,600	41,600	360,250	34,667	34,667	34,667	34,667	34,667	34,667	353,317
Gas Management System	2,517,620				587,200						734,000
Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement											
Other											
CLOSURE	210,135									11,894	198,241
CONTINGENCIES	4,375,003	116,917	55,085	127,970	146,725	76,849	76,849	76,849	73,160	36,521	93,224
TOTAL CAPITAL COST	1,286,089	565,139	605,939	1,407,668	1,613,979	845,335	845,335	845,335	804,758	401,732	1,025,465
OPERATION											
CONTINGENCIES											
TOTAL OPERATING COST	39,208,164	1,183,501	1,199,051	1,214,767	1,230,651	1,246,902	1,263,323	1,279,915	1,296,679	1,313,618	1,330,732
TOTAL CASH EXPENDITURE	2,469,589	1,765,190	1,820,706	2,638,319	2,860,381	2,108,657	2,125,249	2,142,014	2,118,377	1,732,465	1,025,465
NET CASHFLOW	2,069,602	2,842,090	2,855,682	2,108,215	1,956,851	2,781,341	2,838,099	2,895,784	2,994,989	3,457,601	(1,025,465)

Cashflow Chart

Scenario No. 1 - 50,000 tonnes per annum, 1.5% per annum growth - 0% waste reduction over life of facility

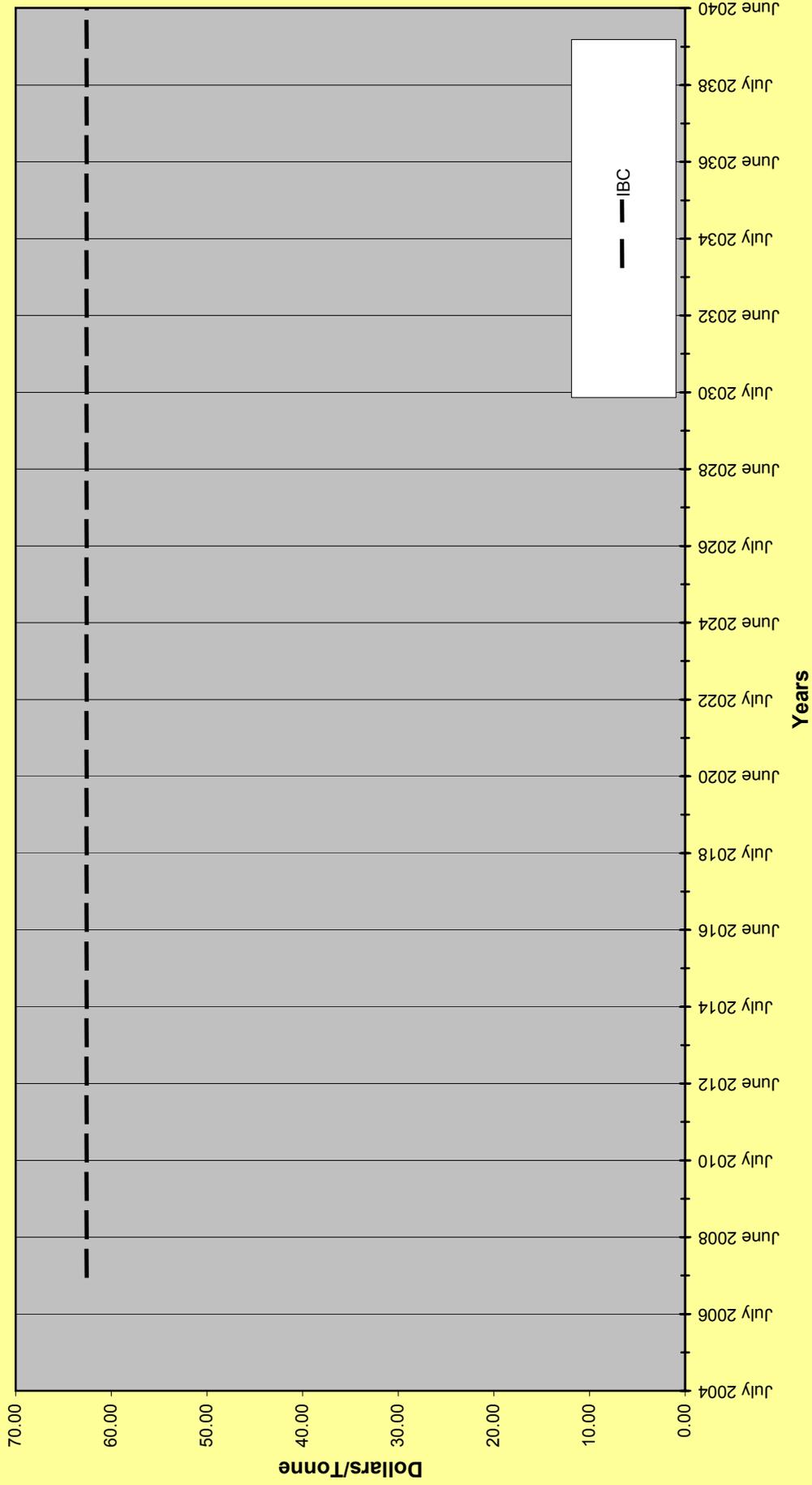


IBC Chart

Scenario No. 1 - Typical



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Appendix F: Landfill FCA Model – Blank Copies of Worksheets

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General Input

Project Name
Project Location
Scenario Number
Scenario Description



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Project Name

Landfill Location
1
Typical

SITUATION

- GreenFields Site Choose this option for a site which has not yet been developed
 BrownFields Site Choose this option for a site already in use

DATES

Project Commencement Date Allow for Appeal
Commencement Date of Operation in New Airspace 1/07/2001
Assumed Life of Residual Airspace (Rounded Down) 1.0 years
Time of Land Purchase N/A
Time of Excess Land Sale N/A
Sunset Date
Consented Landfill Operating Life 39.0 years
Actual Landfill Operating Life (Rounded Up) 39.0 years Closure due to Sunset Date (30/06/39)
Aftercare Period years

WASTE

Custom Waste Tonnages - See Waste Input Sheet

Generated Waste Tonnages - See Below

Tonnage Units

Minimum Allowable Annual Waste Tonnage Must be greater than t/year

Waste Stream

General Refuse of annual waste tonnage
Special Refuse of annual waste tonnage
Cleanfill additional to annual waste tonnage

Waste Charging

General Refuse = IBC
Special Refuse of IBC
Cleanfill of IBC

Assumed Compacted Waste Density (Excluding Cover) t/m³

Target Cover to Waste Ratio (Daily and Intermediate)

Volume Utilisation m³/t

FINANCIAL

Cost of Capital

Planning And Consenting Stage 1 N/A
Construction Stage 2 N/A
Operation Stage 3 = Internal Rate of Return
Aftercare Stage 4

Interest Rate (Risk Free Rate plus 0.5%) = interest rate on 10 year Govt. Bonds + 0.5%

Apply Real Annual Movement to IBC over Whole Operating Life

Ramp IBC from Initial (known) Value to Final (unknown) Value over a Set Period

IBC Real Annual Movement

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BrownFields Input



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ERNST & YOUNG

Project Name
Scenario No. 1

Volumes in
Areas in

Same as
Geometric Input

EXISTING CONDITIONS

Residual Constructed Airspace as at 30 June 2000 Mm³
 Life of Residual Airspace years

Footprint of Existing Landfill Ha
 Continuing Development is to be Overlay
 Extension to Footprint

Existing Flare Station
 Existing Leachate Pretreatment
 Existing Leachate Disposal

WORKS TO BE COMPLETED DURING RESIDUAL LIFE

Stormwater Open Drains m
 Stormwater Stabilised Drains/Flumes m
 Stormwater Piped Drains m

Gas Horizontal Collection Pipework m
 Gas Vertical Extraction Wells m
 Gas Main Header Pipe m
 Gas Laterals to Vertical Wells m
 Gas Condensate Traps

Area of Final Cap to be Completed on Residual Airspace Ha

STOCKPILES

Volume of Existing Topsoil Stockpile Mm³
 Volume of Existing Unsuitables Stockpile Mm³
 Volume of Existing Sub-Topsoil Stockpile Mm³
 Volume of Existing Low Permeability Material Stockpile Mm³
 Volume of Existing Structural Material Stockpile Mm³

FINANCIAL

Value of Aftercare Fund as at 30 June 2000 \$

Custom Waste Input



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ERNST & YOUNG

Project Name
Scenario No. 1

Tonnage Units (Same as General Input)

Year of Operation Season	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Year End Date	2004/05 30/06/2005	2005/06 30/06/2006	2006/07 30/06/2007	2007/08 30/06/2008	2008/09 30/06/2009	2009/10 30/06/2010	2010/11 30/06/2011	2011/12 30/06/2012
Annual Waste (t)	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000	200,000
Cumulative Waste (t)	200,000	400,000	600,000	800,000	1,000,000	1,200,000	1,400,000	1,600,000

MfE Landfill Full Cost Accounting Model



Geometric Input

Project Name
Scenario No. 1

Volumes in
Areas in

SITE CONSTANTS

Leachate Generation

Typical for Region Active m³/ha/annum
 Location: Post Closure m³/ha/annum
 Annual Precipitation:
 Custom Values Active m³/ha/annum
 Post Closure m³/ha/annum

Assumed Insitu Topsoil Depth

Depth of Sub-Topsoil Layer to be Recovered Don't Recover from Fill Zone

m

Liner - Depth of Low Permeability Material in Liner

(Default Liner) Liner Type 1 m
 Liner Type 2 m
 Liner Type 3 m
 Liner Type 4 m
 Liner Type 5 m
 Liner Type 6 m

Only enter depths for liner types which are to be used

Final Cap - Depth of Topsoil Layer

m

Final Cap - Depth of Unsuitables Layer

m

Final Cap - Depth of Sub-Topsoil Layer

m

Final Cap - Depth of Low Permeability Layer

m

Usually only one or other required

Access Road Length

km

Length of Boundary Fence

m

Leachate Pretreatment Facility

Install in th year of Operation

Leachate Disposal System

Install in th year of Operation

Flare Station - Interim

Install of way through landfill life

Flare Station - Final

Install of way through landfill life

DEVELOPMENT PROGRAMME

Cell Construction Staged in Equal Annual Amounts
 Cell Construction Completed in Single Year

	Total	Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3	Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6	Cell 7	Cell 8	Cell 9	Cell 10
Net Airspace (excluding Final Cap)	11.05 Mm³	1	0.75	0.6	1.3	1.9	0.6	3.5	1.4	0	0
Footprint Area	37 Ha	6.4	5.5	4.4	3.3	4.4	4	5.9	3.1	0	0
Liner Type 2 Area	0 Ha										
Liner Type 3 Area	0 Ha										
Liner Type 4 Area	0 Ha										
Liner Type 5 Area	0 Ha										
Liner Type 6 Area	0 Ha										
Disturbed Area	51.8 Ha	17.5	6.5	5.2	2.9	6.1	3.4	9.5	0.7	0	0
Area of Fill Zone	15.1 Ha	7.7	1.5	1.9	1.6	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.3	0	0
Area of Liner Type 1 in Fill Zone	12.4 Ha	5	1.5	1.9	1.6	0.5	0.7	0.9	0.3		
Area of Liner Type 2 in Fill Zone	0 Ha										
Area of Liner Type 3 in Fill Zone	0 Ha										
Area of Liner Type 4 in Fill Zone	0 Ha										
Area of Liner Type 5 in Fill Zone	0 Ha										
Area of Liner Type 6 in Fill Zone	0 Ha										
Area to be Cleared	54 Ha	18	7	6	3	6	4	9	1	0	0
Area of Bush to be Cleared	10 Ha	0	0	0	0	10	0	0	0	0	0
Area of Specialised Subgrade Treatment	37 Ha	6.4	5.5	4.4	3.3	4.4	4	5.9	3.1	0	0
Area of Liner Protection Layer	37 Ha	6.4	5.5	4.4	3.3	4.4	4	5.9	3.1	0	0
Final Cap Area	38.6 Ha	2.6	1.8	3.1	4.7	3.1	1.7	10.4	11.2	0	0
Required Cut (E.G. to Basegrade)	2.8 Mm³	0.5	0.4	0.2	0.2	0.6	0.1	0.5	0.3	0	0
Useable Liner to be Removed from Cut Zone	1.22 Mm³	0.2	0.2	0.1	0.1	0.3	0.02	0.2	0.1	0	0
Required Fill (E.G. to Basegrade)	0.85 Mm³	0.4	0.1	0.1	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0.05	0	0
Useable Liner to be Removed from Fill Zone	0 Mm³	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Unsuitables Volume	0.26 Mm³	0.07	0.05	0.03	0.02	0.04	0.04	0.01	0	0	0
Proportion of Unsuitables in Fill Zone	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	67%	0%	0%
Topsoil											
Cut to Stockpile	0.0777 Mm³	0.0263	0.0098	0.0078	0.0044	0.0092	0.0051	0.0143	0.0011		
Stockpile to Final Cover	0.0555 Mm³	0.0039	0.0027	0.0047	0.0071	0.0047	0.0026	0.0156	0.0144		
Import Topsoil to Final Cover	Mm³										
Unsuitables											
Cut to Stockpile	0.2600 Mm³	0.0700	0.0500	0.0300	0.0200	0.0400	0.0400	0.0100			
Stockpile to Final Cover	0.1110 Mm³	0.0078	0.0054	0.0093	0.0141	0.0093	0.0051	0.0312	0.0288		
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil	Mm³										
Sub-Topsoil											
Cut to Stockpile	Mm³										
Stockpile to Final Cover	Mm³										
Borrow to Final Cover	Mm³										
Low Permeability Material											
Cut to Stockpile	0.7512 Mm³	0.1364	0.1349	0.0496	0.0517	0.2322		0.1367	0.0097		
Stockpile to Liner	0.0160 Mm³						0.0160				
Stockpile to Final Cover	0.0762 Mm³					0.0186				0.0576	
Cut to Fill as Liner	0.3170 Mm³	0.0576	0.0495	0.0396	0.0297	0.0396	0.0200	0.0531	0.0279		
Cut to Fill as Final Cover	0.1458 Mm³	0.0156	0.0108	0.0186	0.0282		0.0102	0.0624			
Borrow to Fill as Liner	Mm³										
Borrow to Fill as Final Cover	Mm³										
Structural Material											
Cut to Stockpile	0.1581 Mm³							0.1581			
Stockpile to Fill	0.0010 Mm³	0.0010									
Stockpile to Daily Cover	0.1581 Mm³							0.1581			
Cut to Fill	0.7714 Mm³	0.2503	0.1221	0.1058	0.0513	0.0729	0.0714	0.0499	0.0478		
Cut to Daily Cover	0.7058 Mm³	0.0898	0.0018	0.0554	0.2405	0.0209	0.1207	0.1769			
Borrow to Fill	0.1620 Mm³	0.1620									
Borrow to Daily Cover	1.4233 Mm³	0.0850	0.1793	0.0654	0.0613	0.4016		0.4496	0.1811		

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Length of Perimeter Access Road	2250 m	450	1300	0	0	0	250	250	0	0	0
Subsoil Drainage	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leachate Header Pipework	1200 m	340	300	260	300	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leachate Collection Pipework	1550 m	700	270	260	320	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leachate Collection Sumps	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leachate Cleanout Port/Manhole	3	1	1	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leachate Pumpout Equipment	1	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stormwater Open Drains	2300 m	500	1200	0	0	0	300	300	0	0	0
Stormwater Stabilised Drains/Flumes	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Stormwater Piped Drains	0 m	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Gas Horizontal Collection Pipework	9380 m	1340	1340	1340	1340	1340	1340	1340	0	0	0
Gas Vertical Extraction Wells	2950 m	0	0	590	590	590	590	590	0	0	0
Gas Main Header Pipe	2851 m	0	142	142	142	999	713	713	0	0	0
Gas Laterals to Vertical Wells	1675 m	0	0	335	335	335	335	335	0	0	0
Gas Condensate Traps	35	5	5	5	5	5	5	5	0	0	0
		Cell 1	Cell 2	Cell 3	Cell 4	Cell 5	Cell 6	Cell 7	Cell 8	Cell 9	Cell 10

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Note: Leave cost fields blank for any items which are not required

ASSET VALUE

Asset Value (derived in accordance with FRS-3)

\$

PLANNING AND PREDEVELOPMENT

Project Management
Site Selection
Consultation
Land Pre-Purchase / Pre-Leasing Agreements
Survey and Preliminary Design
Geotechnical & Groundwater Investigations
Other Detailed Studies (i.e. Noise, Traffic, Visual, etc)
Baseline Monitoring
Resource Consent Process
AEE and Consent Application
Draft Landfill Management Plan
Legal
Hearing
Appeal
Land Acquisition & Associated/ Set Up Costs
Proceeds from Disposal of Excess Land
Custom 1
Custom 2

BASE COSTS

Engineering
Detailed Design and Documentation (%) 6.0%
Construction Management (%) 6.5%
Contractors P & G (%) 12.5%

DEVELOPMENT

Site Access
Intersection Upgrade
Other Roading Network Upgrades/ Contributions
Access Road - Intersection to Footprint
Special Structures : Diversions, Bridges, etc)

Site Amenities & Services

Site Entrance
Administration Building
Weighbridge & Kiosk
Machinery Shed, Maintenance Facility
Power & Phone
Sewerage
Water Supply
General Civil Works (Sealing, Parking) -Administration
Washdown Facility/Wheelwash
Fencing
Landscaping
Custom 3

Cell Construction - Earthworks, Liner, Leachate

Sediment Control Structures and Measures	10,000	\$
Clearing	1.50	\$/m ²
Clearing Bush	8.00	\$/m ²
Perimeter Access Road	400.00	\$/m
Topsoil		
Cut to Stockpile	2.00	\$/m ³
Unsuitables		
Cut to Stockpile	8.00	\$/m ³
Sub-Topsoil		
Cut to Stockpile	5.50	\$/m ³
Low Permeability Material		
Cut to Stockpile	6.00	\$/m ³
Stockpile to Liner	9.00	\$/m ³
Cut to Fill as Liner	9.00	\$/m ³
Borrow to Fill as Liner	10.00	\$/m ³
Structural Material		
Cut to Stockpile	6.00	\$/m ³
Stockpile to Fill	8.00	\$/m ³
Cut to Fill	8.00	\$/m ³
Borrow to Fill	9.00	\$/m ³
Groundwater Control/ Subsoil Drainage	60.00	\$/m
Prepare Subgrade for Laying Liner	1.50	\$/m ²
Liner Type 1		\$/m ²
Liner Type 2		\$/m ²
Liner Type 3		\$/m ²
Liner Type 4		\$/m ²
Liner Type 5		\$/m ²
Liner Type 6		\$/m ²
Specialised Subgrade Treatment	10.00	\$/m ²

Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply

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Liner Supply & Installation (Synthetic)	Liner Type 1		\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply
	Liner Type 2		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 3		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²	

Liner Protection Layer	Liner Type 1	7.50	\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply
	Liner Type 2		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 3		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²	

Leachate Collection and Transmission System			
Leachate Collection Header Pipes (including fittings and filter fabric)		175.00	\$/m
Auxiliary Leachate Collection Pipes (including fittings)		75.00	\$/m
Leachate Collection Sump		10,000	\$ each
Cleanout Ports/Manholes		7,500	\$ each
Automated Pump Station (pumps, valves, fittings, and electrical)		20,000	\$ each

Leachate Collection Layer	Liner Type 1	12.00	\$/m ²	} Leave cost blank for any liner type to which this feature does not apply
	Liner Type 2		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 3		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 4		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 5		\$/m ²	
	Liner Type 6		\$/m ²	

Leachate Pre-treatment Facility		500,000	\$
Leachate Disposal System		100,000	\$

Stormwater Management System			
Major Stormwater Diversion (E.g. Dams, Canal, etc)			\$
Open Drains		45.00	\$/m
Stabilised Drains / Flumes		180.00	\$/m
Piped Drains		200.00	\$/m
Stormwater Treatment Ponds			
Ponds		800,000	\$
Instrumentation		50,000	\$

Gas Management System			
Horizontal Collectors		120.00	\$/m
Vertical Extraction Wells		200.00	\$/m
Ring Header (below grade)		400.00	\$/m
Laterals to vertical wells (above grade)		90.00	\$/m
Condensate Traps		7,500	\$ each
Flare Stations			
Interim		75,000	\$
Final		750,000	\$

Final Cover - low permeability barrier layer placement			
Topsoil			
Stockpile to Final Cover		2.00	\$/m ³
Import Topsoil to Final Cover		20.00	\$/m ³
Unsuitables			
Stockpile to Final Cover		5.00	\$/m ³
Shortfall - make up with Sub-Topsoil		5.00	\$/m ³
Sub-Topsoil			
Stockpile to Final Cover		5.60	\$/m ³
Borrow to Final Cover		7.00	\$/m ³
Low Permeability Material			
Stockpile to Final Cover		7.50	\$/m ³
Cut to Fill as Cover		7.50	\$/m ³
Borrow to Fill as Cover		8.00	\$/m ³
Geosynthetic layer		12.00	\$/m ²
Drainage layer		10.00	\$/m ²
Vegetation		1.00	\$/m ²

Other					
Custom 4		\$	In		Year of Operation
Custom 5		\$	In		Year of Operation
Custom 6		\$	For Cell No.		
Custom 7		\$/yr	For Cell No.		
Custom 8		\$/cell	For All Cells		
Custom 9		\$/yr	For All Cells		

OPERATION							
Direct Costs & Indirect Costs	20,000	50,000	75,000	100,000	200,000	300,000	500,000 t/yr
Refuse Placement	16.00	14.50	13.50	12.00	9.00	7.00	6.00 \$/t
Daily Cover	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50	0.50 \$/t
Nuisance Control Litter, Odour, Birds, Vector	20,000	30,000	40,000	50,000	60,000	70,000	80,000 \$/yr
General Maintenance	4,000	4,500	5,000	5,500	6,000	6,500	7,000 \$/yr
Salaries, Wages & Overhead	100,000	150,000	175,000	200,000	400,000	550,000	600,000 \$/yr
On-Site Management							
Gate Control & Fee Collection							
Audit Fees							

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Secretarial Fees		
Accounting Fees		
Legal		
Consultancy		
Insurance		
Waste Acceptance and Inspection		
Health & Safety		
Aftercare Levy	0.36 \$/t	Calculates Last
Royalty & Host Fee		
Intermediate Cover	0.35 \$/t	
Roading (Temporary)	0.75 \$/t	
Leachate Tmt & Disposal		
Trucking Off Site (Prior to Disposal System Installation)	30.00 \$/m ³	
Operation of Disposal System	3.00 \$/m ³	
Trade Waste Charge - Untreated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	2.00 \$/m ³	
Trade Waste Charge - Treated Leachate (For Trucked Leachate)	1.00 \$/m ³	
Gas Control	500 \$/ha/yr	Once Interim Flare Installed
Stormwater Maintenance	20,000 \$/yr	
Monitoring - Stormwater, Groundwater, Leachate, Landfill Gas, Local Ecology	20,000 \$/yr	
Environmental Compliance	35,000 \$/yr	
Bond	0 \$/yr	
Regional Council Costs	7,500 \$/yr	
Rates		
Water Charges		
Electricity Charges	2,000 \$/yr	
Land Leasing		
Custom 10		
Custom 11		

CLOSURE

General

Removal of Facilities	50,000 \$
Modifications to site stormwater, leachate, landfill gas and other systems	
Final Cover	1.0% of construction cost
Landfill Gas Management System	1.0% of construction cost
Leachate Management System	1.5% of construction cost
Onsite Surface Water Control System	1.5% of construction cost
Design Consultants/ Third Party Engineering	7.5% of construction cost

AFTERCARE

Administration	7,500 \$/yr
Regional Council Liaison	10,000 \$/yr
Site Inspection	350 \$/ha/yr
Final Cover System	
Final Cover maintenance	5,000 \$/ha/yr
Vegetation maintenance	3,500 \$/ha/yr
Leachate System maintenance	
Leachate Disposal	5.00 \$/m ³
System maintenance	500 \$/ha/yr
Electricity	2,000 \$/ha/yr
Gas Management System	
Maintenance	1,500 \$/ha/yr
Replacement	
Electricity	1,000 \$/ha/yr
Environmental Monitoring System	
Groundwater	2,000 \$/ha/yr
Landfill Gas	750 \$/ha/yr
Leachate	750 \$/ha/yr
Stormwater	600 \$/ha/yr
Removal of Remaining Facilities	35,000 \$
End of Post Closure Certification	50,000 \$
Custom 12	
Custom 13	

CONTINGENCIES

Predevelopment	20.0% of predevelopment cost
Development	10.0% of development cost
Operations	0.0% of operations cost
Closure	10.0% of closure cost
Aftercare	7.5% of aftercare cost