

Supplementary
Submission
No 8a

INQUIRY INTO FUNERAL INDUSTRY

Organisation:

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Theme:

Summary

TUESDAY, 25/10/2005.

Ms JAN BURNSWOODS MLC.

COMMITTEE CHAIR

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Dear Jan,

Further to my submission concerning the Nulhaba Crematorium in Kerlew St., Nulhaba, I visited the crematorium on Monday and Tuesday, 26 & 27/9/2005 with other local residents to inspect the layout and workings on the site. I again visited the site on Monday 17/10/2005, with the Commissioner of the Land and Environment Court, His Legal Associates and several concerned local residents.

To our further disgust and dismay, we learned that body ashes are being spread loosely over the lawn and gardens at the site. Metal body parts, rubbish, body ash, burnt plastic, and floor sweepings are being buried loose in deep open unsecured holes in the public yard.

Like many residents in Nulhaba, I have a well established Orchard and vegetable garden commenced from approximately 1984, and tank water. We now ask ourselves, "Is it all contaminated, is it going to make us sick"?

Contaminated water runs from

the crematorium through the yards of private homes where small children play, and runs on into the grazing areas and drinking water of local animal stock.

The water is also used to irrigate grapes and gardens etc.

Mr Paul Smyth has clearly illustrated his contempt and disregard for the laws of the Council and their regulations, by the several hundred breaches listed in the Council records and his own records.

Black and brown smoke still pours from the chimneys. Bodies still burn at 700°. Bodies are still burnt outside approved hours, the automatic recording equipment is NOT always turned on.

Duty of care or Health and Safety do not exist.

Please help,

Yours sincerely,

Patrick C. Milton.

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Justice Of The Peace.