



# COMMUNITY COMMENTS

# ODOUR RELATED (1 of 4)



19 JAN 2021 AT 10:12

Heya. I thought id let you know that the smell on Totara Street and hewletts road is off the charts and absolutely revolting right now 🤢🤢🤢🤢 I've never smelt it so bad in the many years I've worked down here 🤢🤢



Mount Maunganui Notice Board

Does anyone know what that toxic, fumey industrial smell is in the air at the Mount this morning?



Oh gosh how frustrating... happy to support. Let me know how I can be of further assistance. We live at the Oceanview Rd end of Terrace Ave so the smells don't reach us but the dust and noise does. All our neighbours also complain but don't really know how we can support change. Really feel for those closer and especially the people on the Marae. Thanks for your continued efforts and updates. Much appreciated 🙏



I couldnt identify the unbelievable stench on Totara street this morning. But it was unbearable driving through.

13 JUN 2020 AT 06:24

Hi there,

The smell in Omanu you posted about - Is that the one that could almost smell like gross pet food of sorts? I grew up in Omanu and now have children at school/preschool and there is the same gross smell in the air some days as there was when I was little (I've never known what it was or who to complain to about it as I didn't know who created it)?

# ODOUR RELATED (2 of 4)



Something about the Mount just doesn't smell right, especially driving across the bridge into The Mount the toxic smell from the industrial area and plants just hits you in the face and makes you gag - not a great advertisement for our beautiful beach town.

When the wind is blowing towards the Omanu area and the bitumen plants are on it often smells so bad at our house, clothes smell of bitumen if left on the washing line, I can't sit outside and enjoy the sunshine if the plants are operating and the wind is blowing in the direction of our home, as it stinks and worst of all is when you smell it on your children's school field and outside the classrooms.

In the morning we are often greeted with the putrid smell of pet food from Zivi, then throughout the day it is a strong bitumen odour and sometimes also a strong fiberglass smell from a pool manufacturer - oh the joys of living in Mount Maunganui.

20:03

While at a tangi at Whareroa Marae today, I got 3 different stenchs it wasn't nice at all.

Last week the smell by the Fertilizer Works was toxic

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Anonymous from friend  
please she lives on  
Oceanbeach

20:24

The pollution in the mount really worries me. We regularly smell odour's. One evening it was so bad that we had to wear masks inside and were so worried about the horrible toxic smell (in our house) that we were close to pulling our young kids out of bed to try drive away from it... There are young children in our area getting cancer which obviously can't be pinned down to the pollution, but would be interesting to know the child cancer rates in the mount compared to other parts of the country? Wouldn't be surprised if it was higher! The whole situation is frightening.

20:24

# ODOUR RELATED (3 of 4)



08:51, 22 Aug

'I live in Golf road near to Omanu beach and when I step out my front door early morning around I almost gag. The air is so thick with the smell from the pet food factory ZiwiPeak it makes me choke and cough. It's distressing that even with submissions we haven't been able to do anything to stop it. Certainly not the fresh healthy sea air experience I thought I would be getting when I moved to the Mount!'

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12 JUN 2020 AT 21:25

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12 JUN 2020 AT 21:26

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4 MAY 2021 AT 09:08

The Asphalt stench is intense lately. I'm calling often. Are there any updates on controlling this better? Seems Allied Asphalt are just doing what they like again.

Last night was insane on Ranch Road. And is still bad this morning.



# ODOUR RELATED (4 of 4)



Yesterday morning the pollution from the bitumen smoke stacks was so bad I could taste it. Called the hotline, the more people who call the better. Whoever has been doing the 'work' on their odour issues is really crap at their work. It's still as revolting as it's always been. People don't complain so much now because they heard they are moving. Is it really true I wonder? The council need to step up, grow some balls and stop giving them consent to spew their stench from their factory

I live in Hong Kong. Not exactly clean air.

When I come home to the mount I can smell the air, I smell what I can only assume are pollutants, oily smell some days, maybe it is bitumen as suggested. Locals seem to notice it so much, perhaps we get complacent and get used to it...

It is hard to believe that there is not wider and stronger support for this.



# DUST RELATED (1 of 4)



Never had black dust inside house until I moved to the Mt. This is not the normal household dust.

Spent 3 yrs living on Miro Street, had to deal with this every day.



The window sills under the windows I leave open get covered in dust within a day. The port is upwind (dominant direction) of the residential area.

# DUST RELATED (2/4)



Could not believe the thick black  
crap funnelling out into the air as i  
was driving along Hewletts Rd @  
0850 today.

09:19

Green chimney is  
pumping everyday  
makes me sick.

We have the same problem  
black dust ! I wonder what it  
is doing to our lungs ?

This is all very well that is the  
National standard what really needs  
to happen is the lowing of this  
levels because below the National  
standard we are being subjected  
to constant air pollution from these  
power house industries

The black dust  
in my house is  
as bad  
as it's ever  
been so I call  
BS on  
their claims.

Hi, I'm a resident on Ascot Rd,  
Omanu. Since returning home  
to the Mount 4 years ago I've  
had far worse asthma than  
ever before. I'm interested in  
hearing whether the asphalt  
fumes impact asthmatics? Or  
is it something else in the air?

# DUST RELATED (3 of 4)



We all have that black dust problem .. I love Campbell Road - and not only do I get the dust but I also have severe sinus issues living here . Never had them before moved here , do not have them when I go for a weekend away . What can I do except keep windows shut and even then the dust gets in .

I rung the hotline this morning (Friday 6th). Stable environmental conditions preventing the pollutants to escape, but instead drift into the residential areas.





# DUST RELATED (4 of 4)



This image is typical of what we experience- constant industrial dust we wipe from our homes internally from furniture and bench & table tops and floors along with exterior outdoor living areas and constant house washing. You have to wipe the clothes line daily before using due to the dust. I hate to think how much we breathe in both during the day and especially at night when a lot of activity is taking place so we don't see the dust so visually. This issue is seriously detrimental to our health and the government and current Commissioners must address. Mounties pay the highest rates and get the least return. We all need to speak up and push back on this issue.

This is a constant issue on Maunganui Road. Black dust most likely diesel discharge as we are only about 1 block from the port. Bad, but worse when there are cruise ships in over the summer.

Can't hang clothes on the clothesline some days

# FAMILY & MENTAL HEALTH



I love living in the Mt. I was born and bred here. My Mum attended the original Mt Primary. I consider myself Mt old stock.

I never saw myself growing old anywhere else. I don't want to be forced to leave Mt Maunganui, but when my wife says she can no longer deal with the putrid odor wafting across during the predominant SW breeze I struggle to have an argument to stay. Especially now we have young children to consider.

12:55

Well, I can count 6 cancers from the prevailing wind on Gordon road and Lee st in the last 5 years / me included !!!!

Thank you! I feel you have nailed it with the mental health side if things. I have cried with frustration and worry about this. I'm often pondering uprooting our whole life due to the constant air pollution that is so intrusive to my wellbeing, mentally and emotionally as well.

Thank you  
Ebony.

I feel really torn about living in Mount Maunganui. It's like paradise with the rugby field on one side of us, and surfing on the other - yet I really worry about my children health due to the air pollution. I am giving the Nestor the worst start in life?

# GENERAL



This is all very well that is the National standard what really needs to happen is the lowering of this levels because below the National standard we are being subjected to constant air pollution from these power house industries.

Definitely we just need to keep up the fight for the betterment of all of our health, especially as we live in the kaumatua flats at Whareroa with our moko tuarua.

Port of Tauranga and all the other male businesses made me sound like I was making it up.