Environment Canterbury Odour and Dust Report February 2021 – April 30 2021

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Bromley Reporting Area

The data used in this report relates to incidents received within the Bromley pilot area, as outlined by the purple area in the map below. For consistency of reporting, only Smelt Its within the purple line will be considered in the future, with the exception being circumstances where officers substantiated odour from Bromley outside of the specified area.



Odour

A total of 138 incidents were logged with Environment Canterbury during the reporting period for Bromley. A large proportion of incidents are now reported using Smelt It. As Smelt It does not ask the submitter where the odour is confirming from, Smelt Its are not "assigned" to a business. However, an odour from Living Earth may be attributed to it.

Note: There may be multiple Smelt Its assigned to one incident.



Of the 138 incidents, there were 44 incidents where the customer specifically referenced Living Earth Limited. 39 assessments were carried out by warranted officers during this time in Bromley. Of those 39 assessments, our officers confirmed odour from Living Earth on 34 occasions.

The below table shows the results of the assessments where we confirmed odour from Living Earth that was considered offensive and objectionable beyond the property boundary.

	February 2021	March 2021	April 2021
Living Earth	16 NONCs	9 NONCs	9 NONC
	4 x Infringement issued to Waste Management Ltd		
Other sites	0	0	0

NONC – Notice of Non-Compliance A warranted officer confirmed the source of the odour and that it was offensive and objectionable beyond the boundary of the site, by completing an odour assessment (including a 360 appraisal) at the site or site boundary in accordance with Ministry for the Environment guidelines.

Dust

Reports of Dust in the Bromley Area:

During this reporting period, we have received two complaints of dust from the Bromley area. Received in February and in April, these reports related to dust from KBs Contracting and Living Earth, respectively. While these reports were not substantiated, in April we proactively substantiated dust from KBs Contracting and investigation is on-going to resolve the issue.

Historical information:

From 1 January 2020 to 31 December 2021, we received 6 notifications of dust in Bromley. 3 of these were attended resulting in the infringement to SIMs Pacific Metals, and 1 written warning.