Sustainable Glenorchy is hosting this Seminar to provide information to the community and encourage discussion on wastewater management options for the community. This will be an ideal opportunity to ask questions and discuss any issues.

Speakers

Andrew Dakers, Director and Principal Engineer of ecoEng Ltd, based in Christchurch. Andrew is an expert in onsite wastewater management systems and was a senior lecturer at Lincoln University from 1979 to 2000. He has extensive capability and expertise in small scale wastewater science and engineering, particularly with regard to options for land application of treated wastewater.

Jon Mitchell spent much of his early life in Glenorchy. His parents owned the general store, which stood where Bold Peak Lodge now stands. Jon brings with him more than 20 years of local government, disaster risk, and emergency management experience, and is currently programme manager for Project AF8, the Alpine Fault earthquake response planning project. His role is to apply science-based quake scenarios for a severely damaging fault rupture to assist organisations and communities develop plans and capabilities for the first week of response.

Grant Railton is well-known to many. He has extensive experience in installing onsite wastewater systems and is very familiar with Glenorchy. Grant is a qualified plumber and drainlayer.

QLDC councillors Alexa Forbes, Calum McLeod, and Craig Ferguson (Ferg) along with Chief Engineer Ulrich Glasner have been invited to contribute to the Seminar. We have also invited ORC councillors Maggie Lawton and Michael Laws and a representative with wastewater consenting experience.

Programme

facilitated by Jon Mitchell

Welcome – Bruce Farmer (Chair of Sustainable Glenorchy)

Where are we at today? - John Glover (Member of Executive Committee, Sustainable Glenorchy)

On-site wastewater management options – how could these systems work in a community like Glenorchy? - Andrew Dakers

Earthquakes and natural hazards – Jon Mitchell

Glenorchy wastewater treatment: a local practitioner's perspective – Grant Railton

Afternoon tea

Are wastewater engineers effective communicators? - Andrew Dakers

Final questions and discussion - all presenters and attendees

Questions and discussion in between each speaker

* This programme could be subject to some variation on the day.

We look forward to seeing you there!