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- NZ First MP in Tauranga's Sunlive newspaper - there may have only been three MPs listening to Prof Connett's presentation at Parliament, but one of them was the very bright and honest NZ First MP, Clayton Mitchell. See item below.
- Public Action meeting to be held in Mosgiel.
- Small town in the Manawatu gets acute overdose of fluoride.
- Interview explaining Fluoride Action Network Court Case in the USA.
- Fluoride removed from firefighter's foam but not from water.

Public Meeting in Mosgiel Tuesday 24th April

Mosgiel had never been fluoridated up until last December, when the Council switched the Mosgiel water from its own supply to the chlorinated and fluoridated Dunedin supply.

In 2009, talks were held in Mosgiel as the Dunedin Council was threatening to fluoridate them. At the first meeting, people had to be turned away, as the venue only fitted around 80 people. The next meeting was held on the same evening as another important public meeting, but still a large crowd of Mosgielians turned out.

Mosgiel people are very unhappy to have lost their precious, unchlorinated, unfluoridated supply. They are now fighting back.

Please contact me if you are able to help deliver flyers.

Longburn Residents Overdosed

Hundreds of people in the Manawatu township of Longburn, and possibly parts of Palmerston North, were overdosed with fluoride far above the maximum allowable level for a whole week (29th March to the 3rd of April).

It was only detected by routine testing.

Apparently caused by a mistake by a contractor. Luckily it wasn't higher or people may have been killed. Just goes to show how stupid and risky it is to add a highly toxic chemical to the drinking water in the misguided belief that adding hydrofluorosilicic acid (a toxic waste from the phosphate fertiliser industry) to drinking water will reduce dental decay. A mistake with the amount of fluoride going into the water could end up a lot more serious than the Havelock North contamination episode. Everyone on fluoridated water is at risk of this every day.

See [press release by Palmerston North City Council \(PNCC\)](#) and Public Health Services of MidCentral Health (PHS) who played down the issue, as would be expected.

Clayton Mitchell - Let's Not Do That

Like many of you, I am a concerned parent who wishes only the best for my children and their health.

And like many parents, I am sure I can comfortably say I care more about their health than my own.

Water fluoridation is one issue I feel very strongly about. In 1992, fluoride was taken out of Tauranga water supply after an overwhelming public vote against its use.

The same was done from 1986 in other areas around New Zealand, such as Kaitaia, Ashburton, Taumaranui and Timaru.

The question is, should the water have fluoride added to it at all, with just over half (54 per cent) of the country's territorial authorities opting to add fluoride to city water supply?

A New Zealand-wide study completed in 2016 shows there is no difference in levels of tooth decay for the majority of New Zealand children no matter what the fluoridation status.

In fact, the study shows a steady decline of tooth decay in children across the whole of New Zealand, as well as the rest of the world. Fluoride has other negative effects that are far more damaging.

At a seminar with US Professor Connett which I attended, it was proven beyond doubt that fluoride in water effects children's IQ by lowering it by seven per cent to 10 per cent.

I would say the key to children's oral health would be to eat less lollies, drink less fizzy and brush those teeth twice per day.

The residue from sugar destroys tooth enamel. If not removed, the sugar decays the teeth at an alarming rate - something a study in Porirua Pasifika community has shown, even with their water being fluoridated.

New Zealand First policy is to have a local binding referendum to allow our communities to decide whether fluoride needs to be added to the water or not.

It doesn't work, and it's bad for you.

Fluoridation is like adding sunscreen to the public water supply to reduce skin cancer.

Let's not do that, and instead look after our pearly whites and our health by brushing our teeth every day, consuming less sugary products and not adding unnecessary chemicals into our water supply.

Newsbud Interviews Paul & Michael Connett on TSCA Fluoride Case

A [new video](#) featuring both Paul and Michael Connett should be a valuable tool for educating your friends and colleagues about Fluoride Action Network's TSCA lawsuit and the latest evidence that fluoride lowers IQ in children. Winning this court case would stop fluoridation in the US and presumably then, the rest of the world.

The Toxic Substances Control Act (TSCA) authorizes the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) to prohibit the "particular use" of a chemical that presents an unreasonable risk to the general public or susceptible subpopulations. TSCA gives EPA

Firefighters Foam Contaminated Water Supplies

Fluoride is a contaminant yet they add it to our drinking water.

"Fire and Emergency NZ is also working with international partners to explore and test new fluorine-free foams that are emerging in the market." See [Stuff article](#).

You will all have heard about the contamination of underground water supplies around Defence Force bases where the firefighters have practiced with the fluoride foam.

If anyone would like to follow this up and find out more of the details about how much fluoride has been found in the waterways etc, please let us know.

the authority to prohibit drinking water additives.

Paul and Michael explain the court case, where it is at at the moment and what it will mean. FAN now needs to raise \$75,000 to employ lawyers etc. You can donate at their [secure server](#).

We have heard anecdotally, that health authorities are refusing to take blood tests of the residents who have been exposed, stating that there is no point since the exposure has already happened.

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