



HURUNUI
District Council

Regulatory Committee

Agenda

1pm, Thursday, 6 December 2018

Council Chambers, Carters Road, Amberley.

Community partnership in growth and wellbeing.

Regulatory Committee

Committee Membership:

Cr Marie Black (Chairperson)
Mayor Winton Dalley
Cr Dick Davison
Cr Jason Fletcher
Cr Fiona Harris

Quorum:

The quorum of the Committee will be three (3) members.

Secretary: Penny Cairns

The purpose of local government:

- (1) The purpose of local government is—
 - (a) to enable democratic local decision-making and action by, and on behalf of, communities; and
 - (b) to meet the current and future needs of communities for good-quality local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions in a way that is most cost-effective for households and businesses.
- (2) In this Act, **good-quality**, in relation to local infrastructure, local public services, and performance of regulatory functions, means infrastructure, services, and performance that are—
 - (a) efficient; and
 - (b) effective; and
 - (c) appropriate to present and anticipated future circumstances.

(Local Government Act 2002 – Amendment Act 2012)

REGULATORY COMMITTEE
THURSDAY, 9 DECEMBER AT 1PM

1.00pm	Meeting begins
3.00pm	Afternoon tea
4.00pm	Meeting Concludes

ITEM	ORDER OF BUSINESS	SIGNIFICANCE	PAGES
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Health and Safety briefing • Apologies • Announced Urgent Business • Conflict of Interest Declarations • Recording Device 		
1	Minutes: Confirmation of the Minutes from the meeting held on 11 October 2018		4 - 7
2	Decision Items: 2.1 Regional Council Hail Identification Project – Hurunui District 2.2 RC180145 & RC180146 – Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa – Appointment of a Hearing Commissioner 2.3 NZPI Conference – Elected Member Attendance	Medium Low	7 – 11 12 – 14 15
3	Discussion Items: There are no discussion items for this meeting.		
4	Information Items: 4.1 Freedom Camping Bylaw 2018 – Complaints Update	Low	16 - 18
5	Urgent Business:		

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MINUTES



Meeting	Regulatory Committee
Time and Date	9.30am, Thursday, 11 October 2018
Venue	Council Chambers, Carters Road, Amberley

Members Present	Core Members: Councillor Marie Black (Chairperson), Mayor Winton Dalley, Councillors Dick Davison, and Jason Fletcher. Non Core Members: Councillor Geoff Shier.
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In Attendance	Hamish Dobbie (Chief Executive Officer), Judith Batchelor (Manager Regulatory Services), Alex Taylor (Communications Officer), Andrew Brown (Team Leader Compliance), Graham Sutherland (Council Secretary) and Penny Cairns (Committee Secretary).
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Apologies	Councillor Fiona Harris THAT THE APOLOGY BE ACCEPTED. Black/Davison CARRIED
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Leave of Absence

Conflict of Interest Declarations	Cr Fletcher declared a conflict of interest regarding items 4.1 and 4.2, as he is a Director of the company contracted to deliver services in relation to both items to the Council.
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Recording Device	A recording device was used.
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Urgent Business	Nil
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1. Minutes	The Minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2018 were reviewed. THAT THE MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 13 SEPTEMBER 2018 BE CONFIRMED. Black/Davison CARRIED
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Matters Arising

The Manager for Regulatory Services advised that a date for a resource management hearing regarding Theodey subdivision at Gore Bay has not yet been set and that the application is on hold.

2. DECISION ITEMS

There were no decision items for this meeting.

3. DISCUSSION ITEMS

There were no discussion items for this meeting.

4. INFORMATION ITEMS

4.1 Freedom Camping Bylaw First Month Update

The Team Leader Compliance provided a report reviewing the first month of the Hurunui District Council Freedom Camping Bylaw being in effect.

The Hurunui District Council Freedom Camping Bylaw 2018 came into effect on 1 September 2018. At the direction of the Council the bylaw is subject to immediate review.

This report is to update and inform the committee about progress made implementing the bylaw, and complaints received in relation to freedom camping since the bylaw came into effect.

Points covered in the presentation were:

- The Team Leader Compliance intends to provide regular updates to the Committee over the summer months.
- The new signage has been printed but not yet installed.
- The new signs provide information identifying the designated parking spaces and number of vehicles allowed. They will be placed at the same height as standard road signage to assist visibility when car parks are occupied.
- Approaches taken by neighbouring councils were adopted, where appropriate, to provide consistency across regions. Signage wording was modelled on the Christchurch City Council's signage and parking spaces are being marked with blue lines as is done in the Marlborough district.
- The information accumulated from complaints will be used to determine if there is a case for changing the bylaws.

In the general discussion of the report, the following points were noted:

- Half the reports came through the Snap Send Solve app.
- There may be a need to educate the public on how to report incidents.
- The Team Leader Compliance would compare this month's reporting to last month's and advise the committee if there has been any increase in complaints.
- The signs provide information for freedom campers and have the council's website address on them.
- The signs do not contain information on how to make reports to the council.
- The signs are only at sites where freedom camping is permitted.
- The public will usually phone the council's 24 hour number, the local security staff or a local councillor if they want to make a report.
- The Manager Regulatory Services advised that the launch of the Freedom Camping Review campaign "RV There Yet" was this week and that information for the public on how to lodge complaints or concerns will be included in this campaign.
- Council officers would have a conversation with NZTA regarding applying the bylaw to state highways.

THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Black/Fletcher

CARRIED

4.2 Compliance Monitoring Enforcement Regional Working

The Team Leader Compliance spoke to the report. He provided background on the formation of the regional Compliance, Monitoring and Enforcement (CME) Working Group and made the following points:

Group

- The book “Last Line of Defence” that provided some of the impetus for the creation of the working group, was well written and “quite common sense”.
- The Ministry for Environment has provided Best Practice guidelines based on working in “an ideal world” situation rather than one with limited resources.
- The book and guidelines focus heavily on the environment and the Resource Management Act, while council regulatory functions are broader than this, covering for example, animal control.
- The CME Working Group has referred to both the book and guidelines in developing a Canterbury Strategic Compliance Framework document. This framework still allows individual councils’ to have autonomy over developing their own strategy.

In response to questions from the Committee, the Team Leader Compliance advised that:

- The Regional Council and Christchurch City Council acknowledged that smaller councils with low levels of staffing may struggle to meet expectations. Hence, the Canterbury Strategic Compliance Framework document allows council to write own strategy.
- Training courses were identified for council staff, but it was worth considering whether some of the courses be provided to contractors, possibly as part of their induction process.
- The current focus will be on compliance staff achieving a consistently good standard of implementation, rather than doing more and needing more enforcement staff.

Mayor Dalley noted that best practice guidelines sometimes become rules. To keep a balance, the Hurunui District Council needs to continue to have autonomy regarding its own strategy.

Cr Davison acknowledged the need for council officers to be separate from politics when making decisions. The Chief Executive Officer advised that councillors are able to voice their opinions to him.

The Manager Regulatory Services commented that the Council’s Complaints Compliance and Enforcement Policy remains in place. The policy is a 4-step process, which includes the requirement for prosecution decisions to come to this committee for sign off.

THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Black/Davison

CARRIED

5. PUBLIC EXCLUDED PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION

THAT THE MEETING MOVE INTO PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION AND THE GENERAL SUBJECT OF THE MATTERS TO BE CONSIDERED WHILE THE PUBLIC IS EXCLUDED, THE REASON FOR PASSING THIS RESOLUTION IN RELATION TO THE MATTERS AND THE SPECIFIC GROUNDS UNDER SECTION 48 (1) OF THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT 1987 FOR THE PASSING OF THIS RESOLUTION ARE AS FOLLOWS:

General subject of each matter to be considered	Reason for passing this resolution in relation to each matter	Grounds under section 48 (1) for the passing this resolution
Item 5.1 Testing of Private Water Wells	The report contains information which if released would affect the privacy of natural persons.	Section 48(1)(a)(i) and Section 7(2)(a).

Fletcher/Dalley

CARRIED

THAT THE MEETING RESUME IN OPEN SESSION AND THAT THE MATTERS DISCUSSED IN PUBLIC EXCLUDED SESSION REMAIN CONFIDENTIAL, EXCEPT FOR THOSE MATTERS APPROVED FOR RELEASE.

Davison/Dalley

CARRIED

6. URGENT BUSINESS Nil

MEETING ENDED The Meeting ended at 10.45am

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
Report Prepared by: Sean Crocker, **Senior Planner**
Date: 6 December 2018
Significance Level: Medium

REGIONAL COUNCIL HAIL IDENTIFICATION PROJECT – Hurunui District

Recommendation THAT THE COMMITTEE AGREE TO SUPPORT THE PROJECT.

Executive Summary Canterbury Regional Council (*Ecan*) Officers Stephen Gardner (Scientist) and Graham Aveyard (Team Leader Contaminated Land and Waste) from the Contaminated Sites Team (*“the team”*) are attending the Regulatory Committee meeting to provide information on this summer’s hazardous activities and industries list (HAIL) identification project in the Hurunui and Kaikoura Districts.

The project will be advertised as a joint effort between the Ecan and District Councils. Therefore, support from the committee is sought. The reporting Officer recommends the committee support the project.

The report summarises the project.

Background Every year Ecan undertake a HAIL ID project in a different district of Canterbury. This year the focus is on the Hurunui and Kaikoura Districts.

Over the past four years, Ecan have completed HAIL ID projects in the Christchurch, Selwyn, Waimakariri and Timaru Districts.

Purpose The purpose of the project is to identify HAIL activities that may have the potential to contaminate land. The project enables Ecan and the Hurunui District Council to fulfil their statutory duty under the Resource Management Act 1991 for identifying and managing contaminated land.

Because the Hurunui District Council is responsible for administering the *National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health* (NES-CS), Ecan will advertise the project to the community as a joint effort. Therefore, support for the project is sought from the Hurunui District Council.

Project Method To undertake this project, Ecan assess historical aerial photography dating from the 1930s through to the present day, as well as reviewing council records and information available on the internet.

When the assessment is finished, a quality assurance/control process is undertaken, with cross-referencing against District Council records, sensitive land uses, and significant cultural sites.

The information is then entered into the Contaminated Sites database and

Ecan Listed Land Use Register (LLUR).

Ecan will cover all costs associated with the project. However, Ecan do request records from the Council for quality assurance purposes.

**Significance
Consideration**

The report author considered the significance of the project would be medium.

Number Affected	Medium	High	High
	Low	Medium	High
	Low	Low	Medium
	Likely Level of Impact, Implications, or Risk		

There is the potential the project will identify a number of properties as Hail sites. The owners of those properties and businesses would then be involved in some form of consultation with Ecan.

For those identified properties, generally, no further action would be required, unless plans to subdivide, disturb, or change the use of their land are proposed.

The project will provide a valuable asset to both Councils and property owners. The project will provide a better understanding of properties within the District. The information will support better development, while avoiding potentially hazardous areas. Collaboration between property owners and Ecan will ensure any new information is as accurate as possible.

The project will provide a useful tool to guide Council through the decision making process for resource consent applications and to fulfil our obligations under the NES-CS.

The cost to Council would be nil as Ecan will cover all costs associated with the project.

There is the potential for additional cost on owners of identified properties. Costs would likely include assessment of any HAIL activities identified and remedying the condition of soil. However, the project should ensure the cost is limited to an area of concern rather than the entire property where the hazard may not exist.

Risk to the Council would be low, however given this is a joint project, an increase in customer enquiries and negative views of Council would be expected.

Engagement

There is no statutory or other requirement for the Hurunui District Council to notify the community about the upcoming project. The committee may want to advertise the project via our community boards, community notices, facebook and website. However, Ecan would need to approve any notification prior to this advertisement.

Otherwise, as an Ecan project, they will be responsible for all consultation.

To date, no consultation has been had with the community or any internal and external stakeholders.

Following the assessment process, Ecan will contact landowners in mid-2019 if HAIL activities are identified on their land.

Ecan recognise collaboration is important in achieving Council and landowner's aspirations. Ecan will work with and share information with landowners as well as encourage landowners to supply information to clarify and refine the location of any HAIL activities.

Options

Option 1: Do Nothing

- Not an option, a decision to support the project or not is required.

Option 2: Agree to support the project. (Recommended option)

- Support of the project would show unity between the two Councils
- The Council is obligated to administer the NES-CS and the project would provide a valuable tool to internal decision makers and property owners.
- There are no costs on Council associated with the project.
- The disadvantage is the Council would share the association with any negative views held by the community with regard to the project.

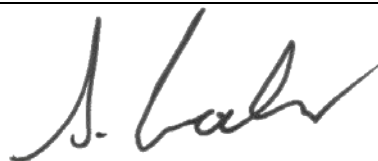
Option 3: Agree to not support the project.

- Community may view a decision not to support project as discontent between Councils.
 - Council would remain independent of any negative views held by the community with regard to the project.
 - The Council would retain an independent voice to any negative views held by the community with regard to the project.
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Appendices

Appendix A – Summary of Hail ID in the Hurunui District – Canterbury Regional Council.

Report Prepared by:



Sean Crocker
Senior Planner

Report Reviewed by:



Judith Batchelor
Manager Regulatory Services

Officer in Attendance: The report author will be in attendance to speak to this report.

Appendix A – Summary of HAIL ID in the Hurunui District - Canterbury Regional Council

Every year the Contaminated Sites Team undertakes a HAIL ID project in a different district of Canterbury. The purpose of the project is to identify hazardous activities and industries (HAIL) that may have the potential to contaminate land. This enables Environment Canterbury to fulfil its statutory duty of identifying and managing contaminated land and assists the District Council with the implementation of the *National Environmental Standard for Assessing and Managing Contaminants in Soil to Protect Human Health* (NES-CS).

This year we are focussing on the Hurunui and Kaikoura districts. Over the past four years we have completed HAIL ID projects in the Christchurch, Selwyn, Waimakariri and Timaru districts. To undertake this project, we employ students to assess historical aerial photography dating from the 1930s through to the present day, as well as reviewing council records and information available on the internet. After the summer students have finished, we undertake a QA/QC process and cross reference identified sites against District Council records, sensitive land uses, and significant cultural sites. Landowners will be notified in mid-2019 if HAIL activities are identified on their land.

Each year we have refined our communications process with the aim of giving landowners as much information as we can about why we have identified a HAIL activity on their land, but also reassuring them that in most cases no action is required unless they are planning on subdividing, disturbing, or changing the use of the land and require a NES consent. After the initial mailout, we hold drop in sessions in locations across the district where people can come and talk to our scientists in a one on one setting. We also encourage landowners to supply us with information about how they use their land and are happy to change or remove HAIL listings based on information we receive.

The database created provides greater assurance and accuracy over identified historic land uses which may trigger requirements for NES-CS consents and therefore provides the District Council with a valuable asset in providing services to the residents.

District Council consenting of sites identified to have been used for such land uses is covered by the Service Level Agreement in place between the two councils providing access to specialised support in implementing such consents.

Environment Canterbury cover all costs associated with the project, but we do request records from the relevant district council for quality assurance purposes. Because District Councils are responsible for administering the NES-CS, we advise landowners that the project is a joint effort between the councils, and we request that the Hurunui District Council support us with the rollout of the project.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee

Date: 6 December 2018

Significance Level: Low

RC180145 & RC180146 – Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa – Appointment of a Hearing Commissioner

Recommendation THAT THE COUNCIL APPOINT DEAN CHRYSTAL AS AN INDEPENDENT HEARING COMMISSIONER PURSUANT TO SECTION 34A(1) OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991, TO HEAR AND DETERMINE RESOURCE CONSENT APPLICATIONS RC180145 & RC180146.

Executive Summary This report seeks a decision from the Committee to commission Dean Chrystal as an independent Commissioner to hear the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa land-use consent application and cancellation of a condition of an existing resource consent application.

In accordance with section 95A of the Resource Management Act 1991, the applicant has requested that the resource consent application and cancellation of a condition of resource consent application be publicly notified. The application was publicly notified on 23 November 2018 with submissions closing on 11 January 2019.

In accordance with the Councils Delegations Manual, a commissioner or panel of commissioners must be appointed to consider and make a decision with regard to the notified resource consent applications RC180145 & RC180146.

This report seeks the appointment of a hearing commissioner acting alone to hear and determine the application.

Background The Council has received a resource consent application from Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa to alter and extend the facilities associated with Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa, at 42 Amuri Avenue, Hanmer Springs and to cancel a condition of existing resource consent, RC090122.

RC180145

Consent is sought to alter and extend the facilities of the Hanmer Springs Thermal Pools and Spa, with the following activities:

- Construct new thermal pools and sulphur pools, collectively referred to in the application as the 'Cascade Pools.'
- Construct a new water ride, referred to in the application as 'Slide 4.' This would be located adjacent to the existing 'Superbowl' water ride. The proposed slide would use the existing platform structure and an extension of 2.130 metres above the top of the current roof is proposed.
- Relocate and reconfigure an aqua play area.

Works associated with the 'Cascade Pools' would be located within the dripline of notable trees identified as 'T45' in the Hurunui District Plan (District Plan) and works associated with the aqua play area would be

located within the dripline of the notable tree identified as 'T86' in the District Plan. The proposed water ride would be 14.46 metres high and a proposed vertical runout lane would be 13.9 metres high. Therefore, the proposed water ride would exceed the permitted height of 8 metres for a building or structure in the Open Space Zone. The proposed extensions would also result in the exceedance of the permitted maximum coverage by buildings in the Open Space Zone of 15% of the total site area. The noise limits for activities within the Open Space Zone would also be exceeded at the boundary of the site adjacent to the hydro-slide towers and at the boundary of the site closest to the area where the 'Cascade Pools' are proposed.

Overall the proposed land-use activity is a discretionary activity in accordance with the Hurunui District Plan.

RC180146

The application for a cancellation of a condition of a resource consent, seeks to delete condition 12 of resource consent RC090122. RC090122 was granted in 2009 enabling the extension of the facility onto part of the adjoining former Queen Mary Hospital site and provided for the reconfiguration of the freshwater pool, the development of the water sensations area, the development of the 'Superbowl' water slide and platform and the development of an ice-skating area (which has not occurred).

Condition 12 relates to the stair platform to the 'Superbowl,' which is proposed to be extended under this resource consent application to provide access to proposed 'Slide 4.' Condition 12 is:

12. All sides of the new hydro-slide stair tower shall be enclosed with polycarbonate or similar material.

The application is to cancel condition 12 and remove the exterior material as the noise assessment provided identifies that the actual noise associated with the activities on the site, and particularly the existing 'Superbowl' are less than the noise levels predicted at the time RC090122 was granted, and aesthetically no cladding on the stair structure is the preferred option of the applicant.

The application (RC180145 & RC180146) was publicly notified on 23 November 2018 with submissions closing on 11 January 2019.

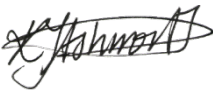

The hearing is likely to take place in late February 2019.

Discussion

The Council's Delegation Manual requires any notified resource consent application must be heard before a suitably qualified Commissioner or panel of Commissioners.

Independent Commissioner Dean Chrystal is an accredited Commissioner and is included within the "Approved Commissioner List" in the Delegation Manual.

The Council noted that Deputy Mayor Marie Black, Councillor Geoff Shier, and Councillor Dick Davison are also accredited Commissioners that can


	hear or sit on a hearing panel. However, given that the application site is owned by Hurunui District Council, it is not suitable for any Councillors as accredited Commissioners to sit on a hearing panel for this application.
Financial Considerations	The costs of the hearing are at the expense of the applicant.
Risks	There are no risks associated with the proposed recommendation.
Options	<p>Option 1: Do Nothing This is not an option as it will not meet the statutory requirements of the Resource Management Act 1991. In addition, Council Officers do not have delegated authority to make a decision on the application.</p> <p>Option 2: Appoint an independent hearings commissioner to hear and determine the application This option is to appoint an independent hearings commissioner alone to hear and determine the application. Previous Council practise has involved independent hearings commissioners being appointed to hear and determine fully notified or limited notified resource consent applications. The benefit of using a hearings commissioner is that they have extensive experience in resource management processes and decisions. Mr Dean Chrystal is on the approved commissioners list and is familiar with the Council's District Plan having heard a number of resource consents for this Council previously.</p>
Report Prepared by:	 Kelsey Ashworth Planner
Report Reviewed by:	 Judith Batchelor Manager Regulatory Services
Officer in Attendance:	The report author will be in attendance to speak to their report.

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
Report Prepared By: Judith Batchelor, Manager Regulatory Services
Date: 6 December 2018
Significance Level: Low

NZPI Conference – Elected Member Attendance

Recommendation	<p>THAT THE COMMITTEE DECIDES WHICH COUNCILLOR(S), IF ANY, SHOULD ATTEND THE NEW ZEALAND PLANNING INSTITUTE CONFERENCE IN APRIL 2019 IN NAPIER AND APPROVE THE ATTENDANCE OF THOSE COUNCILLORS.</p>										
2018 Conference	<p>Next year's NZPI Conference, Weaving the Strands, is in Napier from 2-5 April 2019.</p> <p>Nā tātau i whatu te tukutuku, he tūmatakahuki tā te iwi. The tukutuku was woven by us, but the people bind it together.</p> <p>The conference streams are natural resources, settlements, practice and theory, climate change, and the future of planning. In weaving the strands, the conference themes will be considered from the perspectives (or threads) of leadership, integration and collaboration, Māori and indigenous planning, technology and science, and culture. Attached is a link to the conference website.</p> <p>https://www.nzpicongference.org/</p>										
Councillor Attendance	<p>In the past, Councillors have attended the conference, the last attendees were Councillor's Marie Black and Dick Davison in 2018 and they reported back that they had found attendance at the conference beneficial.</p>										
Financial considerations	<p>The estimated cost of sending 1 Councillor to the conference is estimated to be:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Conference fee (earlybird register before 24 January 2018)</td> <td>\$1000</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Accommodation estimated (up to 4 nights)</td> <td>\$800</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Travel estimated</td> <td>\$300</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Meals</td> <td><u>\$150</u></td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td>\$2250</td> </tr> </table> <p>The elected member conference budget is \$9996 of which \$318 is currently spent.</p>	Conference fee (earlybird register before 24 January 2018)	\$1000	Accommodation estimated (up to 4 nights)	\$800	Travel estimated	\$300	Meals	<u>\$150</u>		\$2250
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Report Prepared by:	<p> Judith Batchelor Manager Regulatory Services</p>										
Officer in Attendance:	<p>The report author will be in attendance to speak to this report.</p>										

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL MEETING REPORT



To: Regulatory Committee
Report Prepared by: Andrew Brown, Team Leader - Compliance
Date: 6 December 2018
Significance Level: Low

Freedom Camping Bylaw 2018 – Complaints Update

Recommendation THAT THE INFORMATION BE RECEIVED.

Executive Summary The Hurunui District Council Freedom Camping Bylaw 2018 came into effect on 1 September 2018. At the direction of the Council the bylaw is subject to immediate review.

This report is to update and inform the committee about progress made implementing the bylaw, and complaints received in relation to freedom camping since the bylaw came into effect.

Signage At the time of writing, new signage for the Bylaw “Schedule 2” areas (where freedom camping is permitted with conditions) is part way through being installed.

A contractor has installed it at the following locations:

- Chisholm Crescent car park, Hanmer Springs
- Council car park, 66 Carters Road, Amberley.

The signs at these locations are scheduled to be installed by 30 November:

- Cheviot Rest Stop, Cadman Street, Cheviot
- Old School Reserve, Cathedral Road, Gore Bay

The following signs are not ready for installation:

- Cheltenham Street, Hanmer Springs.
The Before U Dig check revealed risk of fibre/power/water pipes. Signs are to be mounted on the wall of the library building.
- Rutherford Reserve car park, Culverden.
Additional signage is required.

A lot of the existing ‘No Camping’ signage remains in place. Council’s Roading contractor has been tasked with identifying and removing old signage during routine road patrols.

Maps The interactive maps are up to date and available on the Council’s website:

<http://www.hurunui.govt.nz/forms-and-documents/bylaws/>

Complaints All reports of freedom camping incidents since the introduction of the bylaw on 1 September are set out below.

There were no reports in October.

The November statistics cover up to 26 November. There were four reports in November.

Three of them were in Waiau and were reported after the fact, for our information.

- Of those three reports overnight camping was observed by the complainant on one occasion.
- On one occasion the complainant confirmed that the camper parked at the side of the road for a few hours and did not camp overnight.
- On the third occasion a camper was seen parked by the Waiau Village Green at 11.30am. It is not known if they had stayed overnight but the complainant reported seeing them washing dishes on the green and brushing their teeth in the public toilet.

The fourth report was of a freedom camper in the reserve beneath the old Department of Conservation building on Jollies Pass Road, Hanmer Springs.

Staff were not able to attend for several hours, by which time the camper was gone. This is currently a 'restricted' camping area, where certified self-contained campers are allowed. It is unclear whether there was a breach of the bylaw in this instance. No litter was found left behind.

Complaints	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Complaints	8	0	4	12
Individual Incidents	7	0	4	11

How Reported	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Snap, Send, Solve	4	0	3	7
Phone	4	0	0	4
Other (text message)	0	0	1	1

NB. One incident reported twice.

Location	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Amberley	1	0	0	1
Hanmer Springs	6	0	1	7
Waiau	0	0	3	3

Attended/Not attended	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Attended	5	0	1	6
Not attended	2	0	3	5

Attended by	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Staff	1		1	2
Contractor	3			3
Both	1			1

Reason for non-attendance	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Reported after the fact	2		3	5

The five incidents that were not attended were reported out of normal hours using Snap, Send, Solve and appear to have been reported for information purposes.

Breach of bylaw	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Yes	4			4
No	3		3	6
Unclear			1	1

Reason for breach of bylaw	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
In a prohibited camping area	4			4

Action taken	Sep	Oct	Nov	Total
Moved on	2			2
No action	2		1	3

**Significance
Consideration**

This is an information only report and is considered to be of low significance.

Report Prepared by:

Andrew Brown
Team Leader - Compliance

Report Reviewed by:


Judith Batchelor
Manager Regulatory Services

Officer in Attendance:

The report author will be in attendance to speak to this report.
