Submission on Proposed Amendments to the Freedom Camping Bylaw 2018 consultation

Hurunui District Council is proposing Amendments to the Freedom Camping Bylaw. Let us know what you think of the proposal by 31 July 2019.

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Yes we generally support the proposed amendments.

No we do not wish to speak to our submission.

Your comment(s) on the Proposed Amendment to the Freedom Camping Bylaw:

We want to make 4 points.

- 1) We strongly support the removal of Freedom Camping sites from within Gore Bay.
- 2) We request that monitoring of the Gore Bay sites that were permitted Freedom Camping sites prior to the bylaw being amended continues regularly, no less than the twice-weekly monitoring that has been occurring, and that the amended Freedom Camping bylaw is enforced.
- 3) Because out-of-date information may persist for some time, new signage needs to be erected in Gore Bay (on the same posts used for the current Freedom Camping signs). We suggest the wording; "Freedom Camping is no longer permitted here. P10". The parking area by Gore Bay's southern public toilets is a busy and coveted one during summer, so 2 x P10 carparks adjacent to the toilets and recycling point would be beneficial, allowing multiple tourists to pause briefly during the day to use the toilets or photograph the view, and locals or bach-users to drop off recycling, without having to park too far away from these facilities.
- 4) We request that monitoring and enforcement of the amended Freedom Camping bylaw be carried out regularly in all Freedom Camping sites, in (i) those that were permitted prior to the amendment and non-permitted after the amendment, (ii) those that were permitted both prior and after the amendment, (iii) those that were never permitted but nevertheless regularly used, and (iv) those that were not permitted prior but permitted after the amendment.