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From: Roy Myers

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**Subject:** Responsible Freedom Camping Bylaw

From: Roy Myers,

I believe that Freedom Camping should not be permitted in Leithfield Beach or Amberley Beach.

My reason is simply that there are multiple dangers which exist in these areas which could not only endanger those camping but the settlements themselves. Over recent years we have seen natural events affect these areas and fire take hold even on a controlled campsite. The most notable natural effect has been from high winds which brought trees down. As the forested areas of both beaches would be attractive to freedom campers I suggest that if they were permitted to camp in these it would expose them to unnecessary danger.

The danger of flooding on the beach perimeter is a real danger and on at least one occasion I have seen a campervan surrounded by water in the trees at Amberley Beach.

There is of course the tsunami danger and the problem that visitors may not understand the dangers or the action to take in event of a tsunami warning.

The number of trees and windrowed slash that exists in both beach areas poses a real fire danger again which visitors may not understand.

It is for reasons of safety that I think the beach areas are unsuitable for freedom camping and any prohibition would need to be actively enforced because of the apparent attraction of camping freely in these seaside areas.