

AMENDMENT TO THE FREEDOM CAMPING BYLAW 2018

The Council is proposing to make some changes to the current Freedom Camping Bylaw. The amendment is limited in scope to address identified issues.

Why have a freedom camping bylaw?

Freedom camping is permitted in all local authority areas unless it is restricted or prohibited in a bylaw. The Council is only able to make a bylaw if it is considered necessary for one of the following purposes:

- To protect the area
- To protect the health and safety of people who may visit the area
- To protect access to the area.

Any prohibition or restriction must be proportionate to the issue.

Why make changes?

As part of making the bylaw in 2018 we put in place a process to review the implementation of the bylaw. Our review has identified a few areas where there has been unanticipated demand and issues associated with overcrowding.

What are the proposed changes?

1. **Limiting** the number of campers permitted per night at:
 - Scargill-Motunau Reserve,
 - Glenmark Reserve, and
 - Hanmer Springs River Reserve.
2. **Removing** the freedom camping carparks at:
 - Chisholm Crescent Carpark, Hanmer Springs, and
 - War Memorial Hall Carpark, Hanmer Springs.
3. **Relocating** the carparks currently available in Gore Bay to the Cheviot Service Centre Carpark.

What do you think?

Making a submission is your way to be heard. We want to hear from you regardless of whether you support the proposal or not.

Your submission needs to be in writing and needs to be with the Council **by 5pm on 31 July 2019**.

- You can email your submission to submission@hurunui.govt.nz; or
- Post or deliver to Hurunui District Council, 66 Carters Road, PO Box 13, Amberley 7441

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