



TO THE MAYOR AND COUNCILLORS OF THE MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

Membership of the Planning and Regulation Committee:

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*Notice is given of a public hearing to be held at 9.30am on
Thursday, November 27, 2014, to consider submissions to the
following:*

- *Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Freedom Camping Strategy 2014*
- *Draft Dog Control Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Dog Control Policy 2014*
- *Draft Mobile Shops and Traders Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Market Place Liquor Ban Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Wastewater Network Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Water Supply Bylaw 2014*
- *Draft Downlands Water Supply Bylaw 2014*

VENUE: Council Chambers, Fairlie.

WAYNE BARNETT
CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

REPORT TO: MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL

FROM: CHIEF EXECUTIVE OFFICER

SUBJECT: HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS TO THE DRAFT BYLAWS AND STRATEGIES

MEETING DATE: NOVEMBER 27 2014

REF: PAD 10/3/1

PURPOSE OF REPORT:

To provide information for the hearing of submissions to the following:

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This report includes a list of submissions received, a hearing timetable and a copy of all submissions received.

STAFF RECOMMENDATIONS:

1. That the report be received.
2. That the submissions to the draft bylaws and strategies be considered.

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1.00	Meeting of Planning and Regulation Committee			

Further submitters may be added to this list before the hearing starts. A final confirmed list of submitters will be available at the hearing.

A meeting of the Planning and Regulation Committee will start at 1pm to consider the submissions and reports from staff. An agenda for this meeting is available at www.mackenzie.govt.nz.

Mackenzie District Council SUBMISSION FORM


**Post, fax, email or hand deliver your submission by
3pm on Friday, 21 November, 2014**

Which bylaw, strategy or policy are your comments about? Please use a separate form for each bylaw or policy that you want to comment on.

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Please indicate whether you wish to be heard at a hearing:

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 Signature:  Date: 21 November 2014

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21 November 2014

Dear Mayor Claire and councillors

Re the proposed 'Freedom Camping' areas within the Twizel boundaries near the Musterers' Hut and adjacent to the events centre

I strongly believe this proposal needs more thought. In seeking to solve a problem I think it will exacerbate one. While only a proportion of freedom campers are responsible for negative and anti-social behaviour, the proportion is certainly large enough that we should not be encouraging freedom camping, and certainly not within Twizel. We do not need the rubbish, general untidiness and in particular the toileting issues that come with freedom campers in high traffic areas which locals enjoy and visitors see. We've just spent a fortune on new toilets in Twizel – these are not close enough to either of the proposed sites for campers who do not have self-contained toilet facilities. People who are travelling through and wanting to stay in town need to stay in a camping ground. There is already a popular freedom camping site at Pukaki. We do not need one, far less two, within the town boundaries. The cost of managing and cleaning up around these sites would be borne by ratepayers, many of whom don't want the freedom campers to park up in the first place.

In many places I have visited in North America and Europe there is a straight out blanket ban on freedom camping. I am not sure why we're allowing it in the Mackenzie, particularly when there is no national legislation that requires rental camper vans to be self-contained. I don't like the idea that we are saying to people it's ok to travel completely on the cheap and expect the communities they're passing through to be grateful to them for turning up and provide space for nothing, rather than the traveller giving to the community. If people have travelled as far as the Mackenzie, they need to add into their budget the funds to pay for designated camp sites.

If we must provide a space for freedom camping it needs to be acceptable to the residents and businesses of the town who live here. I am fed up with people who visit thinking that this is some sort of wild west town and that they can behave how they like – we get this every year with particular rowing teams and their supporters – and too many freedom campers come with the same attitude. If we have to have a space for these people, a more appropriate area needs to be found away from the high visibility areas of town, perhaps on the north side of the Twizel River bridge, or to the south of Ostler Road

Regrettably I have not had the time today to put together a more measured response, but I believe that my concerns are valid, that they are shared by many other locals and that this proposal is not a good one for Twizel. The possible economic benefits will be far outweighed by the costs.

Yours sincerely

Alan Grant

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My submission(s):

I AM TOTALLY OPPOSED TO ANY FREEDOM CAMPING WITHIN THE TOWN OF TWIZEL.
NO EXCEPTIONS !

THERE ARE SUFFICIENT CAMPING GROUNDS IN AND CLOSE TO THE TOWN. THE TYPES OF PEOPLE WHO WOULD SLEEP/CAMP ANYWHERE ARE NOT WANTED IN THIS TOWN. THEY ARE NOTHING MORE THAN PARASITES. THEY CONTRIBUTE NOTHING TO THE WIDER ECONOMY AND ARE BEING SUBSIDISED BY RATEPAYERS / TAXPAYERS.

THEY LEAVE THEIR MESS FOR OTHERS TO CLEAN UP. IN FACT I WOULD BAN ALL FREEDOM CAMPING THROUGHOUT THE MACKENZIE DISTRICT. THERE ARE PLENTY OF DESIGNATED CAMPING GROUNDS AROUND THE DISTRICT. IF PEOPLE DON'T WANT TO PAY FOR THE PRIVILEGE THEN THEY ARE NOT WANTED.

NO FREEDOM CAMPING IN TWIZEL.



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My submission(s):

Subject (Freedom Camping)

I Am Opposed To Freedom Camping
Within The 100km Speed Zones.

Council should in my view be taking
more time in considering more suitable
areas outside areas mentioned above.

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Signature:

A Jacobs

Date:

13/11/2014

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My submission(s):

I am extremely concerned about the prospect of freedom campers being allowed to stay in such a central, residential location.

- ① Rubbish / waste - regardless of efforts made by the council, many of these campers will leave litter and rubbish around the site. I have worked in NZ tourism for years and seen the mess some of these people leave.
- ② Safety of campers:- I believe the ~~some~~ people camping here could be quite vulnerable to theft and vandalism. There are a lot of drunk people late at night in this area and the safety of campers to a drunken opportunist is another concern.
- ③ Twizel Holiday Park - this facility is about 200m away. They will miss out on business if people have permission to park their campervan in town.
- ④ I wonder how vigilant the person responsible for policing / monitoring these campers will be. 5 could quickly become 10-15 later on, at night, will they be checking at different times eg. 10pm, 12pm?
- ⑤ Safety of young children at skatepark?
What sorts of 'other' people use campervans. Not all are foreign tourists, some are transient, dodgy and up to no good.

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My submission(s):

I am strongly opposed to Freedom Campers being allowed into the centre of Twizel, am very against them being near to the skate park and swimming pool, do not want these people near children's play areas and also it is very unfair for them to stay for free when people staying approx 200m away in holiday park have to pay. So it's a no from me. I cannot ~~see~~ understand the reason behind this idea.

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Full name of submitter: Andrew Carpenter
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My submission(s):

We donot need Freedom Camping
in the Twizel town ship. Filling up
our rubbish bins. and washing there
socks in our new public loos.

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Signature:  Date: 21/11/14

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21/11/14 

①

My submission(s):

The Freedom Camping Strategy is flawed.

The Mackenzie District Council should not be encouraging any sort of Freedom Camping within the Mackenzie District for the following reasons.

- ① Tourist rates paid by Tourism businesses within the District, especially accommodation businesses, are being thwarted by this policy on promoting freedom camping. It is a kick in the face to motels, camping grounds etc whom pay Council for promoting tourism in the hope that this money is well spent so as to generate business revenue for them. The open promotion by Council of providing 'free-loader' areas greatly disturbs me.
- ② There should be NO local authority areas permitting freedom camping. The District has plenty of accommodation options for visiting tourists/ guests whom should be fully encouraged to use these providers.
- ③ Who will police the limited numbers? Who will tidy up the unsightly messes that will no doubt be left behind? Of course the ratepayer will have to carry this but why should we? Do Council staff and elected members have any brains at all? Who the hell do MDC think they are working for with this proposed policy. I would say they are certainly not working for their stakeholders ie: ratepayers.
- ④ Many of the proposed areas are highly visible to State Highways. A collection of free loading campers gives a bad impression of the district.
- ⑤ Social media will ensure such designated areas (free areas) will be over-run with free loading foreigners.

(2)

My submission(s):

The MDC Strategy seems to contradict with the MDC Bylaw on Freedom Camping in the areas set aside as permitted. The Bylaw says in 5.1 "that freedom camping is permitted in any local authority area within the District unless prohibited or restricted". The Strategy document says "in 5.5 → Areas where Freedom Camping is encouraged. There is a big difference between "permitted" and "encouraged" and certainly the Strategy document is not open to all local authority areas as is the case with the Bylaw.

I do not agree with any proposal that serves only to encourage the use of our resources at no cost to the user and which leads to extra costs passed onto the existing small ratepayer base in the form of compliance (need to pay for an officer to monitor idiot campers) and for the cleaning up of the inevitable messes left behind.

Does the MDC have rocks in their heads for even considering this proposal AND for wasting staff time + resources in getting to this stage.

Look after your existing constituents whom continually fund your existence but to whom you prefer to give the bum rush to.

Thanks

Andrew Hoche.

PS Excuse this hand written submission but given I am very busy and feel strongly about this proposal I have had no option but to hand write my concerns.

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Phone: 4350300 _____ Email: aorakilodge@xtra.co.nz _____

Signature:  _____ Date: 16/11/2014 _____

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My submission(s):

While a specific place for freedom campers to park is a good idea and offers some control, I feel that the 2 proposed sites are not ideal. We do not want vans parked at the entrance to our lovely town, giving a not so lovely first view and especially we do not want strangers parked in their van in plain sight of places where our children play, eg the skate park, the pool and if it goes ahead the new Early Learning centre. I think that most parents would be uncomfortable with the idea that anyone could be parking up and watching the children playing.

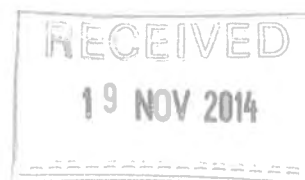
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Full name of submitter: ANN MARY COCKBURN

Postal address: PO BOX 207 TWIZEL

Phone: 03 435 3199

Email: cburn2@nettel.net.nz

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 8.11.14

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My submission(s):

Although I agree with "freedom camping" in principle I do have to object to your intention to make it a permitted activity within the town of Twizel.

1) And it almost unbelievable that you would encourage people to camp in an area of children's activities :- the swimming pool, skateboard park and Youth centre, plus a possible pre school facility. I feel this is highly inappropriate.

2) Why would you encourage camping in a town centre? Tekapo is to be prohibited why not Twizel? We have ample "freedom camping" areas all on the outskirts of town.

3) A similar concern with the Wauwapa Rd area - right beside a playground, Probee golf area and a tourist attraction in the form of the Works machinery.

If tourists ~~are~~ wish to stay in town close to all amenities we already have a camping ground available on McKenzie Drive

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Full name of submitter: Ann J Garthwaite

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Signature: [Signature] Date: 20/11/14

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My submission(s):

I object to the Freedom Camping Strategy and Bylaw 2014 for the following reasons.

① As I work at the Mackenzie Fair Square and ~~if~~ when I work the late shift walking home after we close is scary enough without a lot of Campers lined up.

② With the new play centre going around near the ~~place~~ proposed Freedom Camping area.

③ all the Rubbish will ~~be~~ blows up our drive way & we have to pay to get rid of it.

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Full name of submitter: Anna Swanson

Postal address: 19 Hunter Cres Twizel

Phone: 0210 832 4061

Email: anna.swanson78@gmail.com

Signature: [Signature]

Date: 20/11/14

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My submission(s):

I am not in support of the new Freedom camping locations proposed by the Mackenzie District Council.

- 1.) I am concerned about waste not taken away and proper amenities provided
- 2.) It will be possibly used by non-self contained campers.
- 3.) Visually it will not be a good first impression for those entering Twizel along Rungtaniha Rd
- 4.) Who is going to police
 - a) the allowable times for use.
 - b) who is self contained
 - c) All waste is removed. ?
- 5.) Why not promote other freedom camping areas that have suitable amenities; visually not in the town centre. and also.
- 6.) Safety - location behind 4 square Mackenzie - for children and locals - It is close to the pool, skate park, gym and the new proposed area for the Twizel Family Learning Centre.

Why not promote an area for a day stop with toilets, BBQs and picnic benches instead?

Catherine Johnson

From: Alpine Recreation <climb@alpinerecreation.com>
Sent: Thursday, 6 November 2014 1:00 p.m.
To: Mackenzie PA
Subject: Draft Freedom Camping Strategy and Bylaw 2014

Dear Councillors and Staff, Mackenzie District Council,

I applaud the Council's attempts to provide guidance and management in relation to Freedom Camping. I am also pleased to see that there is an intention to review the proposed strategy in two years to assess its effectiveness.

Two glaring omissions spring to mind for the prohibited areas for Tekapo, namely the area around the dog statue and in fact along all of Pioneer Drive; and Murray Park.

The arguments given for protecting the Church of the Good Shepherd apply equally to all of Pioneer Drive and to Murray Park. Why did the Council spend a considerable amount of money creating footpaths for Pioneer Drive, if it wasn't to encourage walkers? These paths are very popular and walkers and residents alike should have unimpeded access to the views out to the lake from Pioneer Drive. If freedom camping is allowed in this area, then it basically becomes another "residential" zone, where people are "living", even if it is just overnight. There is a huge difference between a vehicle occupying a parking space for 30 mins to an hour while the occupants have a picnic, enjoy the view, take some photos...and someone who occupies that prime space free-of-charge for 8-12 hours.

The way the By-law is worded at the moment, there would be nothing to stop camper vans using Murray Park to camp overnight. In fact campers have already been observed using the Sealy Street end of Murray Park.

A few questions re the workability of the strategy:

- 1) Who is going to check whether the maximum number of freedom camping spaces is adhered to in the designated areas?
- 2) What hours of the day will the designated areas be checked?
- 3) What happens if someone is found to be camping illegally/transgressing the bylaw? (In Mt Cook a DOC officer checks car parks early in the morning and collects the normal camping fee if a vehicle has parked overnight in a non-camping area.)

It is interesting to note that The Freedom Camping Act 2011 allows freedom camping on all public land controlled or managed by Council, and Council cannot make a town-wide restriction. How is this consistent with the requirements placed on Councils, and in turn residents, for residential areas? There are all kinds of restrictions placed on residents for waste disposal, water usage, how close you are allowed to build next to a neighbour etc. and yet this Freedom Camping Act can allow someone to park directly on your boundary, making "residential use" of this area and you can do nothing about it! How is that legal?! In fact, if you think of the implications for urban areas of the Freedom Camping Act, there are huge inconsistencies. This would tend to support the identification of an urban area as an area requiring protection, which is allowed under the Act. Other Councils have confronted this problem and have made it quite clear in their policies and by-laws that freedom camping within township boundaries is not acceptable, except in designated areas allowing for self-contained vehicles. Council needs to take care that any new measures taken are not resulting in unfair competition for the existing campground owner. It should be forgotten that costs involved

with providing for freedom campers will be borne by the rate-payer - unless Council can develop a system to recoup those costs from the users.

I do NOT wish to be heard in support of my submission.

Yours sincerely
Anne Braun-Elwert

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Full name of submitter: Mrs Anne Roberts Sweeney
 Postal address: 5 Dobson Place, Twizel
 Phone: 03-4350 703 Email: _____
 Signature: [Signature] Date: 20/11/14

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My submission(s):

I think it would be very unwise to site any form of Freedom Camping near Twizel's town centre.

The proposed Wairepo Rd. site, very near/at one of our town entrance ways / in the car park in front of The Mustorers Hut, would be unsuitable because;

(a) Visually/aesthetically campers there would give other visitors a poor first impression of our town.

(b) it would be very near a children's playground - stranger danger

(c) there would be no access to toilet facilities.

I have heard from several locals, including a local councillor, who have had unpleasant experiences re-having to deal with human faecal matter left in/near their properties after freedom campers had spent the nights nearby. This is totally unacceptable and a health hazard.

Similarly, another proposed site, behind the Twizel Event Centre would be highly unsuitable because of the proximity of ^{the} new Twizel Early Learning Centre Building site (proposed), the present skate park and the local swimming pool. The latter two are frequented by many children & young people - stranger danger and health hazards once again could pose problems if the area is used by freedom campers.

An alternative freedom camping site, if one is wanted/needed quite near to the town centre, could be on the area of land between the Alpine Chalk Motels and the Mackenzie Country Inn (where the trucks/machinery used to be) opposite D.O.C.

Please choose carefully!

Mrs. Anne Sweeney.

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Full name of submitter:

ANTHONY JAMES HARVEY

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30 MACKENZIE DRIVE TWIZEL

Phone:

03 435 0143

Email:

a.j.harvey@hotmail

Signature:

[Handwritten Signature]

Date:

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My submission(s):

I support the proposal to have
Designated Areas ~~for~~ for
Camper vans and mobile homes.
The more people that come
into the town the better
it is for all the local traders
it is very easy for the
camper vans to drive past
Twizel and take their dollars
to Tekapo or Omarama.

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Full name of submitter: Anthony Christopher Ritchie

Postal address: PO Box 83 Twizel

Phone: 03 4350 613 Email: Holiday Park 2000 extra.co.nz

Signature: [Signature] Date: 21/11/2014

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My submission(s):

I oppose To Freedom Camping on
Any Proposed SITES AS they are in town
or in our Recreation Areas

I Propose That there Should Be No
Freedom Camping IN Speed Zones
under 100 kmph which clearly puts
in our side of town.

Lake Ruataniwha is A Recreation Area
NOT Freedom Camping

Other suggestions for Freedom camping
And ARE Already Being used

1/ Lake Wardell

2/ Lake Patea

3/ Maori camp at lake pukaki

We Need NO MORE Freedom Campers

Yours Faithfully

Tony Ritchie

Catherine Johnson

From: Arlene Goss
Sent: Friday, 21 November 2014 4:04 p.m.
To: Mackenzie PA; Creditors
Subject: FW: Submission

Importance: High

If you find this in your emails from Christine O just delete it, I've already added it to the pile.

Thanks

Arlene

From: Pauline Jackson
Sent: Friday, 21 November 2014 3:38 p.m.
To: Arlene Goss
Subject: FW: Submission
Importance: High

Thanks and kind regards

Pauline Jackson

Pauline M Jackson
 Senior Revenue Officer – Rates
 DDI 03 6859016|F 03 6858533 pauline@mackenzie.govt.nz

From: Jenny Backhouse [<mailto:kjbackhouse@xtra.co.nz>]
Sent: Friday, 21 November 2014 1:38 p.m.
To: Pauline Jackson
Subject: Submission
Importance: High

Good Afternoon Pauline

Can you please forward to the appropriate person by 3.00 pm today.

Our property Valuation Number 25313-00756 at 124 Max Smith Drive.

We are rates payers of the above property and wish to make a Submission against Freedom Camping in and around Twizel.

Not only is it a Tourist destination, but as rate payers, we enjoy living in the area, and would like to see Twizel town and surrounding area remain clean and tidy. Why would you need Freedom Camping when there are two Camping Parks in Twizel providing a great service and charging reasonable rates?

Yours faithfully
 Keith & Jennifer V Backhouse

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Full name of submitter: Barbara Marion Burgess
 Postal address: 6 Hunter Crescent, Twizel
 Phone: 03 4350692 Email: burgess06@hotmail.com
 Signature: B.M. Burgess Date: 7.11.14

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My submission(s):

I am opposed to the proposed 'Freedom Camping Area' being allocated to an area behind the Twizel Events centre - reasons being:

- It is situated close to the public skate park where a lot of children gather to skate.
- Is beside a walkway children use to go to school and also to the swimming pool.
- This area would also be in very close proximity to the area that has presently been earmarked for development of the 'Twizel Early Learning Centre'.
- It is also in direct opposition to the Holiday parks that are currently operating in Twizel.
- Daily I walk to work via this area and I find it quite unsettling walking past parked campervans especially in winter when it is still dark when I start and finish work.

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Full name of submitter: Barry and Ali McLauchlan
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 Phone: 021 969117 Email: alig@mclauchlans.net.nz
 Signature: B McLauchlan Date: 17 November 2014

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My submission(s):

We strongly oppose any proposal to allow freedom camping within the township of Twizel. We do not believe this proposal provides any benefits to either the residents or the visitors to Twizel.

There are suitable commercial camping grounds with full facilities that these campers should be required to support as Twizel residents have invested money to offer these facilities. It would be like allowing stalls to operate around public areas in competition with the local businesses. We cannot think of 1 benefit allowing this to occur for Twizel.

Freedom campers will be an eyesore at the entrance to Twizel (Wairepo Road) and at an area that is used by families (behind the supermarket) What benefit does this offer to the residents or visitors to Twizel.

The area behind the supermarket is used by residents and visitors to park vehicles with trailers such as boats, caravans while they visit the supermarket, take kids to the swimming pool, skatepark or tennis courts. This parking will no longer be available if freedom campers are permitted to occupy the area.

If you allow freedom campers into these areas in Twizel then there will be temporary tents, tables, washing lines etc. This is not what we believe is appropriate for the middle of the town.

Councillors should ask themselves what benefits does this stupid proposal add to the residents and visitors of Twizel. Surely there are more worthy proposals that could benefit Twizel.

We will be very disappointed if this proposal goes ahead.

Bary + Ali Mclauchlan.

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Full name of submitter: BETTY ANN GORMAN

Postal address: 19 RUATANIWA ROAD TWIZEL

Phone: 03 4350 115

Email: b.gorman@kinect.co.nz

Signature: BAGorman

Date: 21-11-2014

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My submission(s):

1. I live on Ruataniwha Road which is the main thoroughfare in Twizel and along with Highway 8 is extremely noisy. My understanding of freedom campers is they want to camp away from urban areas. The Wairepo Road Site is very close to both and unsuitable.
2. The Wairepo Road Site and the Town Centre Sites are close to play areas where children often play unsupervised. I object to freedom camping on those sites.
3. How are the Council going to ensure that freedom campers comply with the regulations of self contained toilet facilities and rubbish disposal? An untidy site could deter visitors.

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Full name of submitter:

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021 0503006

Email:

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Signature:

Brad Ure

Date:

20-11-14

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My submission(s):

NO TO FREEDOM CAMPING IN THE TOWNSHIP

- Plenty of other places in the district
- Rubbish & Human Waste
- Lot of freedom campers have a
Lack of respect for the environment/
community

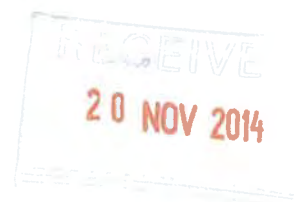
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Full name of submitter: BRETT DANIEL SHERIDAN

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Signature: BDS Date: 18/11/14

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My submission(s):

I OBJECT TO FREEDOM CAMPING IN
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PLACE AND RESIDENTIAL AREAS.

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Full name of submitter: Brian + Kathryn Horrell
 Postal address: 8 Sibbald Lane Tekapo
 Phone: (Brian) 0273704546 Email: kathrynhorrell@gmail.com
 Signature: B Horrell K Horrell Date: 20/11/14

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My Submission

We built in Lake Tekapo 2 years ago, as rate payer are dead against freedom camping in the town boundary.

Tekapo is such a picturesque part of New Zealand and we do not want our town littered with vans, who will leave human waste and rubbish! It is happening in other towns around New Zealand already

Who is going to enforce 5pm- 9am? As we have a campervan ourselves and have seen people settling in well before and after these times.

The cost of enforcing and removal of rubbish will cost us as rate payers

We as residents of Tekapo pay rates for the services that we use

What does the Freedom Camper pay ? **NOTHING**

In today's day and age it is **USER PAYS**

There is a holiday park in town which provides the view of the lake all the amenities they need along with security. If one of these vans were attacked at night in the Tekapo township, this could affect tourism for the town, which it hugely depends on.

Let them camp in designated areas outside Town Boundaries and leave Lake Tekapo Township clean and tranquil!

Brian and Kathryn Horrell

8 Sibbald Lane

Tekapo



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NO

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Full name of submitter: Briana Carpenter
 Postal address: 314 Mackenzie Dr Twizel
 Phone: 034350872 Email: _____
 Signature: B Carpenter Date: 18-11-2014

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My submission(s):

It is a shopping centre
"Not" a camping ground

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Full name of submitter: Bruce Pipe

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Phone: 03 686 2999

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Signature: _____

Date: 19th November 2014

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My submission(s):

I request that the Council add one further area where freedom camping is prohibited. This area being along the Lake Ohau shore between the Ohau River outlet and the Port Bryson boat launching ramp. A 200m setback from the lake edge is required.

This area has been described by the Council's planning staff as an outstanding natural landscape.

It is however becoming evident that tourists (both NZ and International) are using this area as a camp ground. In several cases this has involved setting up "camp" for extended time periods (weeks) involving multiple vehicles, mobile homes, caravans and tents.

This situation is likely to get worse with the local salmon farm attracting fishers, the cycle trail becoming popular and the two boat ramps / jetty encouraging greater boating activities.

The combined effect of those choosing to camp in this area is creating the potential to pollute the environment in terms of health issues along the lake edge as well as limiting the public enjoyment of the area.

The area currently lacks basic toilet facilities which is of concern for those using the boat ramps. This needs to be addressed by the Council as a matter of priority.

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Full name of submitter: BRUCE DALKEITH WHITE

Postal address: 50 RHOBORO ROAD.

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Signature: B.D. White Date: 21/11/2014

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My submission(s):

- ① I AM DEFINATELY AGAINST ANY FORM OF FREEDOM CAMPING, AROUND THE TOWN CENTRE AND SUGGESTED SITES.
- ② WE ALREADY HAVE TWO CAMPING GROUNDS IN AND CLOSE TO THE TOWN THAT HAVE ALL THE AVAILABE REQUIRED FOR SAFE CAMPING. (15) TOILETS - SHOWERS - RUBBISH DISPOSAL ETC
- ③ THE PEOPLE THAT OWN THESE FACILITIES FOR CAMPING HAVE SPENT CONSIDERABLE TIME AND MONEY GETTING THESE FACILITIES UP TO THE RECOGNISED ACCEPTABLE STANDARD TO ACCOMMODATE LARGE INFLEXES OF PEOPLE. SHOULD THESE FACILITIES OVER TIME BECOME OVERCROWDED OR UNABLE TO ACCOMMODATE NORMAL BUSINESS PRACTICE SHOULD APPLY, EXTEND OR SOMEONE ELSE STARTS UP ANOTHER FACILITY.
THESE CURRENT OWNERS SHOULD BE GIVEN EVERY OPPORTUNITY FROM THE COUNCIL, THEY ARE ALREADY RATEPAYERS. WHAT SORT OF CONTRIBUTION DO YOU THINK YOU WILL GET FROM FREEDOM CAMPERS
WHY WOULD THE COUNCIL UNDERMINE OUR CURRENT OPERATORS WHO CURRENTLY OPERATE WITHIN THE BYLAWS BY ALLOWING THESE FREEDOM CAMPERS WHO WILL LEAVE A MESS BEHIND THEM AND OR CARRY OUT TOILET ACTIVITIES IN AN UNHYGENIC WAY WHICH WILL ULTIMATELY LEAD TO ADDITIONAL COSTS TO RATEPAYERS TO CLEAN UP. IF YOU COUNCILLORS THINK THESE ITINERANTS ARE TIDY PEOPLE YOU SHOULD ALL READ THE OTAGO DAILY TIMES MONDAY 17TH NOVEMBER ABOUT THESE CAMPERS AT MACANDREW BAY.
- ④ WE ALREADY HAVE FREEDOM CAMPING AT LAKE WARDLELL AND LAKE POAKA FOR VEHICLES WITH THEIR OWN TOILET FACILITIES. THESE PLACES ARE IDEAL WITH FRESH RUNNING WATER AND SHELTER FROM THE WIND.
- ⑤ DON'T TRY AND FIX SOMETHING THAT AINT BROKE, DON'T ADD COST TO RATEPAYERS WHO ARE ALREADY HEAVILY BURDENE ~~FOR~~ FOR THE WATER QUALITY UPGRADE.
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I think this is a really bad idea because people will litter and there are no toilets near the areas so there will be problems with that as well.

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Full name of submitter:

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CM Hill

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My submission(s):

I feel that Freedom Camping should not be in the middle of a township, rather in the areas surrounding ~~the~~ if we need to have them at all.

It is not fair to those businesses who are trying to make a living.

There needs to be more checks done on these Freedom camping areas so they are not be abused by those without proper facilities.

Chris Hill

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Full name of submitter: Clare Frash

Postal address: 21C North West Arch.

Phone: 4350623 Email: _____

Signature: [Signature] Date: 20/11/14

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My submission(s):

I believe there are opportunities to freedom camp away from the town centre.

'Freedom' campers - would be looking for quiet, ~~or~~ secluded areas - with views etc.

Usually, ones around town are just not wanting to 'pay' but wanting convenience of shops, public toilets etc. that their tent / camper does not have.
i.e. Not really freedom campers.

I feel that if campers want the convenience of town, they should be prepared to pay for our local camping areas - one very central opposite the school field and the other not far out of the town at Ruataniwha.

The campsites also should have the community support for revenue just as the shops would have.

I have already noticed an increase in campers washing up their cups/plates etc. in the new toilet facility - just outside at the new tap.

I believe we could create 'freedom' areas just as the one along the side of the lake 'near' Cranwell - where there is water + toilets and you can 'freedom' camp for up to 3 nights. Maybe we could do this outside of town with a grass area, toilet, water + rubbish bins and a scenic view, rather than on a road/carpark in a town centre.

Catherine Johnson

From: Colin john Mcneilly <c.mcneilly@xtra.co.nz>
Sent: Thursday, 20 November 2014 5:05 p.m.
To: Mackenzie PA
Subject: Twizel Freedom Camping,

My submission is for freedom camping to be no closer than two kilometres from the existing camping grounds. Also, it will not be a good look for Twizel if you allow camping at Wairepo Road and behind the Events Centre. There are plenty of camping areas close by without spoiling the look of the town centre. Who would monitor this stupid proposal ?

C J & S E McNeilly
8 Lakeland Avenue,
Twizel

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Full name of submitter: Colin Peter Thornley

Postal address: 171 Mackenzie Drive

Phone: 03 4353156 Email: _____

Signature: C Thornley Date: 19-11-14

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My submission(s):

I am not happy with the Freedom camping in our Township with both sites you have chosen in the carpark beside the Mustershut & behind the new supermarket.

How are you going to police all these vans?

Are you going to pay someone to police this

What about all the rubbish

We have a great camping ground in Town who pays rates Plus they take their rubbish to the tip which they pay for

There are enough Freedom campsites on the outskirts of Town you should take a look at some of these sites full of shit.

No doubt our Rates will be paying for the policing & rubbish collecting why should locals pay for some parasites come and stay for free. Bloody stupid

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Full name of submitter: DAVID E.J. RALPHWATTE

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My submission(s):

I OBJECT THE FREEDOM CAMPING
STRATEGY AND BYLAW 2014 FOR THE
FOLLOWING REASONS

- ① WE PAY RATES TO SUPPORT OUR TOWN
AND AMENITIES AND DO NOT NEED TO
SUPPORT THE COST OF FREE LOADING TOURISTS
- ② WE HAVE 2 CAMPING GROUNDS IN OUR
TOWN THAT CATER FOR CAMPING OF ALL
TYPES AND THEIR OPERATIONS SHOULD NOT
BE COMPROMISED BY FREELoadERS.
- ③ THE FACT THAT COUNCIL IS EVEN CONSIDERING
THIS BYLAW IS A REFLECTION ON THE CURRENT
THINKING OF COUNCILLORS AND COUNCIL EMPLOYEES
AND I HOPE MAY BE REFLECTED AT THE NEXT ELECTIONS

THANK YOU.

A large, stylized handwritten signature in blue ink, consisting of several loops and a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

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Full name of submitter: Daniel Officer
Postal address: PO Box 118 Twizel
Phone: 027 630 3388 Email: _____
Signature: D Officer Date: 20-11-14

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My submission(s):

I disagree with having Freedom Campers in our town, what are they supporting, not our camping grounds, they are using our facilities, that the rate payer is paying for that not on.

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Full name of submitter: David R. Power.
 Postal address: P.O. Box 25 Twizel
 Phone: 435 3323 Email: power.line@extra.co.nz
 Signature: D. Power. Date: _____

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My submission(s):

Why would you want to allow freedom camping in the Twizer Village. It is inappropriate when so many camping grounds are available close by.
Please do not allow freedom campers in the Village.

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Full name of submitter: Diane Kay McGeorge
Postal address: P.O. Box 51 Twizel 7944
Phone: 03 4350 855 Email: N/A
Signature: [Signature] Date: 11 November 2014

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My submission(s):

The proposed site for Freedom Camping in Twizel is unsuitable for various reasons:

- ! rubbish pollution - these campers are notorious for leaving their rubbish behind or maybe just throw it over the into the supermarket's yard.
- ! middle of the night toilet needs - a concentration of human waste will pollute the ground
- ! proximity to the skate park which is in heavy use during the holidays etc - children coming and going close by ~~around~~ camper vans may lead to confrontations
- ! the site proposed appears to be very close to the site proposed for the new Twizel Early Learning Centre, surely this is a better use of this area - a community project which will benefit our community
- ! freedom campers can camp almost anywhere so do not congregate them in one place - spread the risk of pollution, not near our children!



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Full name of submitter: Dorothy May Krushoop

Postal address: 9 Dusky Place Twizel 7901

Phone: 03 4350443 Email: mailedaisie@ihug.co.nz

Signature: *D. Krushoop* Date: 18-11-14

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My submission(s):

This submission is written by an experienced.
rzmca exmember, of 17 years.

My opinion of the freedom camping areas
in the Twizel-surrounding land is adequate.

Camper van people are looking for country life
not close to a town.

I object to "freedom camping" in our
"town centre."

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Full name of submitter: EDWARD BEST

Postal address: 42 MOUNTAIN VIEW ROAD TIMARU.

Phone: 0274604574

Email: epj.best@xtra.co.nz

Signature: 

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My submission(s):

No to freedom camping in proposed
Twizel ~~within~~ town centre sites.

1/ There is enough areas in the district
for freedom camping, without having it
in our town centre area.

2/ We have good camping areas supplied
by 2 camping grounds locally.

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Postal address: PO Box 394, Paraparaumu _____

Phone: 042983283 _____ Email: fergus@holidayparks.co.nz

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5. Areas Where Freedom Camping is Encouraged

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allow freedom camping in public car parks and reserves within an urban area.

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Tekapo

The areas shown in Tekapo on Maps 6-9 are all within the urban area.

Lakeside Drive map 6 is within 500m of a commercial holiday park and is close to the site of a new hotel development.

Gravel Parking - map 7 and Hamilton Drive map 8 are both within the urban area.

Boat ramp - map 9 is within the urban area and as has been seen in other areas around the country boat ramp parks are not a good fit with freedom camping. These areas are often used early in the morning and in the evening for boat launching and the parking of vehicles and trailers.

Fairlie

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Full name of submitter: Frank Hocken.

Postal address: PO Box 100 Twizel

Phone: 034350 1441 Email: Farm. House. CO. NZ

Signature: Frank Hocken. Date: 12 Nov 14

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My submission(s):

We are very concerned that the council is thinking of ~~caravan~~ parks inside the Town Boundaries. at Takapo Twizel Fairlie. IF the council allows this to happen, we will have vans with no toilets in large numbers. It will need a full time ranger to police it.

We already have a problem in Twizel with little brown mounds left behind. The council must have rocks in their heads to think of this.

New Zealanders at large are the laughing stock of the world. Free insurance ACC.

now free camping why not give them free air fares and free campers.

When I travel overseas I have to pay for every thing.

The site proposed for Wainepo Rd. is next to property that we own and we propose to build a camping ground. my wife was at the new toilets in Twizel yesterday and there was camper washing there ~~disposal~~ and other gear. thanks Twizel. no payment.

If the council proceeds with this I would like to be the ranger and I ask that the fines be \$200 for no toilets in vans. and wheel clamps to be supplied. I will be the ranger for the fines. To be paid to me.

Frank Packer.

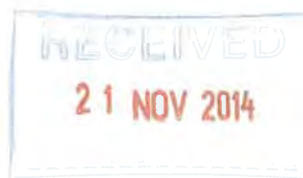
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Full name of submitter: GM Harris and E Harris-Brewer
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Signature: [Signature] Date: 20-11-2014

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My submission(s):

We don't agree with the proposed sites "where freedom camping is encouraged" within the urban boundaries of Tekapo, Fairlie and Twizel.

The proposed sites are car parks: opening them up to freedom camping encroached on the ~~area~~ public spaces which are meant for everybody.

Freedom camping is an important aspect of tourism in NZ and should be allowed. But not to the detriment of the "privacy" of the local population.

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Full name of submitter: Garth Dunlop Harraway
 Postal address: 60 Mackenzie Drive, Twizel
 Phone: 03 435 0265 Email: gdandle@xtra.co.nz
 Signature: Garth Harraway Date: 21-11-14

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Mackenzie District Council Freedom Camping Strategy (Draft) Oct 2014 - Submission.

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I was chairperson of the NZMCA South Canterbury group in 2001 – 2003.

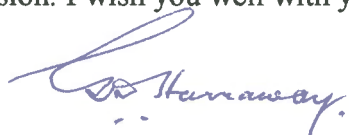
The NZMCA Member's Handbook (2014 edition) states on p. 67 under the heading Responsible Freedom Camping its sole justification for this privilege as, "New Zealand is blessed with an abundance of secluded and scenic spots ideal for freedom camping." I submit there is neither seclusion nor scenic beauty for self-contained campervans staying overnight "in Twizel's Town Centre behind the supermarket" – one of two camping spots suggested at p. 7 of Council's Draft Strategy. The other suggested camping area, in Wairepo Road, is only a minimally better site as campers would obtain distant glimpses of the Ben Ohau Range through only five small gaps in Twizel's tree-line. Personally, neither do I think it is a 'good look' for the township to have five, maybe ten, campervans as a first view for visitors approaching Twizel for the first time.

The area around Twizel is not short on camping sites. From the Market Place, sites both for freedom camping and paying clients are more than adequately catered for by the good offices of the Combined Services Club (.5 km from the Market Place), Twizel Holiday Park (.7 km), Ruataniwha Holiday Park (4.3 km), Meridian Energy Ltd's park across the canal from the High Country Salmon Farm (6 km), Council's Lake Wardell (8.2 km), and Council's Lake Pukaki South End (11.2 km) which I observe is still occupied by freedom campers from time to time. Additionally, through Meridian Energy's generous attitude, the Ohau – Pukaki canals provide excellent surroundings for freedom camping within eight kilometres of Twizel. If the Council adopts the proposed freedom camping areas at Lake Ruataniwha (North End and South End) more joy still for campers but I think the views and interests of the proprietors of Ruataniwha Holiday Park need to be considered before this suggestion is adopted/rejected.

This indicates to me there is no need for Council to designate zones for Freedom Camping in Twizel thus eliminating the not inconsiderable cost of cleaning, upkeep and rule enforcement associated with designated 'zones'. At p.2 of the draft there is a suggestion that money saved on accommodation by freedom campers would free up funds to be spent on other activities. In nineteen years this is not something I have observed or experienced.

I wonder whether the people responsible for proposing the two designated areas within Twizel gave any thought to the proximity of, in the one case, the proposed new Twizel Early Learning Centre, and in the other, the playground associated with the Musterer's Hut. It would be futile to suggest that there would be no conflict between these two amenities and 'freedom camping' because the latter is permitted only between 5 p.m. and 9 a.m. just take a look at the mis-use of Caroline Bay parking hours by motor homes.... and the disregard for the permitted number of campers.

Thank you for reading this submission. I wish you well with your decision making.

 G.D. Harraway OBE

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Signature: [Signature] Date: 18/11/2014

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To the Mackenzie District Council

Re: Freedom Camping Submission

As a ratepayer of two properties and a resident of Lake Tekapo my wife and I would like to voice our opinion of freedom camping

1. The councils strategy and by-laws should be consistent with neighbouring councils e.g outside the 50/60/80 km zone in designated areas for self-contained vehicles only
2. No free overnight parking in and around the commercial area of towns
3. A more positive approach to non-compliant vehicles and campers with fines and enforcement
4. Liaise with campervan rental companies to promote responsible camping especially with the small van and car companies

Any council policies should not have an adverse effect on local businesses

Thank you for the opportunity to submit our opinions

Yours sincerely



Andrea & Gavin Cox for

GACC Family Trust

Lilyanne Investments Ltd

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To Mackenzie District Council

Freedom Camping Submission

The owners and General Managers of Lake Tekapo Motels & Holiday Park and the Lakefront Lodge Backpackers would like to submit their thoughts and concerns on the councils proposed freedom camping by-laws and speak on the submission on the 27th November 2014

First of all we think the Council should keep its strategy consistent with neighbouring councils, like Queenstown which would create less confusion amongst freedom campers.

This would include the policy of no freedom camping within the 50/60/80km zones and designate areas for self-contained vehicles only in remote areas

Suggestions for these freedom camping areas in the Tekapo Region would be Lake Alexandrina, Lake McGregor, Patterson Ponds and Edward Stream

The holiday Park encourages freedom camping in the appropriate place and in the appropriate vehicles but objects strongly to the proposal of free overnight parking within the village of Tekapo. One could argue that with the future growth these parking areas will be within the commercial zone, if not now

It will have an adverse effect on the income of the Holiday Park (potentially \$300,000 per annum) and unnecessary as we offer for all campers 24 hr access to the park through an after-hours system

We do not think the problem of freedom camping pollution lies with the self-contained campers but with the smaller vans and cars. Self-contained campers prefer the security of a holiday park, the spacious showers, toilets and laundry facilities and the social atmosphere of a holiday park and may stay a couple of days longer to spend money on the activities and businesses.

We do not think the council addresses this area of non-compliant freedom camping in their strategy with a positive attitude

"Education "and 'encouraging" must start with the camper van companies and on the Council website as it is very hard to educate them while they are on the road (see Wicked camper website).

Signage is all very well but if you count up the "no fire signs in the area and then see the many fires that are lit around the lake shore of Tekapo on a regular basis one must argue that signage is not working or is ignored.

Thank you for the opportunity to make a submission on behalf of Tekapo Holdings Ltd

Yours sincerely



Gavin Cox

General Manager



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Signature: G Vaughan Date: 19-11-14

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My submission(s):

I disagree with Freedom Camping in Turgel.
We have two camping grounds, locally one
camp available on Lake Bernmore.

Who will police the freedom camps? The
type of vehicle must be self contained. Who
is going to stop small vans and people
sleeping in vans. Who is going to pick up
rubbish etc.

If the system is working at the moment
don't change it and create another problem
for our town to look after.

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Full name of submitter: Grand Properties (2011) Ltd. *unable to attend.*
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My submission(s):

We Oppose the proposed designated area for Freedom Camping in Lake Tekapo described as the Gravel Parking Area; Tekapo River Bridge.

* Grand Properties (2011) Ltd owns land nearby as shown on the attached plan and described legally as Part Reserve S177 in Freehold Register CB38B/189.

* We have not been consulted at all over this proposal.

* We feel having an area set aside for such activities ~~negatively~~ adjacent to our property negatively detracts from the views out across to the Lake and Township.

* We propose building an upmarket Motel Complex on our land which will be negatively affected by Freedom Camping with viewing distance and the remains of what freedom campers leave behind.

* This proposed area should be removed as a possible freedom camping option.

Thankyou.





Map 6



Map 7

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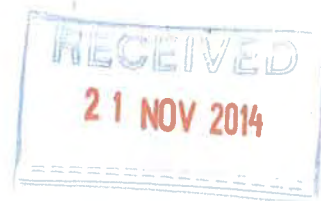
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My submission(s):

I do not think that freedom camping should be encouraged, or allowed in the Mackenzie Basin, and especially in Twizel township.

Reasons for this are

- ① Using the surrounding areas as a toilet
- ② Rubbish left lying around
- ③ Visual pollution with a "gypsy" camp look
- ④ Unfair to local camping ground businesses that pay rates & provide a service
- ⑤ Ratepayers will have to pay a contractor to police these areas and also to clean up
- ⑥ Detrimental affects on adjoining property values

The council in allowing a freedom camp at the entrance to Twizel will be giving the wrong impression to visitors arriving to Twizel.

Council would have been better advised to encourage development such as Merriapians new building to the front of Twizel, rather than allow a gypsy camp, to be established.

Who is going to monitor these camps to ensure there are no long term stayers, no undesirable elements etc.

All camping in Twizel & the Mackenzie should be in established Motor Camps!

Freedom camping is not allowed anywhere in the world so why here.

Freedom Campers are free loaders who won't contribute much to the local economy.