

## Attachment C - Correspondence from NZ Police

From: PAXTON, Clifford  
Sent: Wednesday, 12 February 2020 12:18 PM  
To: Rebecca Gallagher  
Subject: RE: Action plan for Greerton

Thanks Rebecca,

I will be seeking support from TCC in regards to a couple of specific points;

1. TCC Bylaws Officers to enact their obstructions in public places regulations for public obstructions (objects and people) to address any instances of obstructions to any public way. Examples of this would include persons sitting on the footpath begging, sleeping in doorways or otherwise obstructing a public way (no intent to impede the flow of members of the public).
  2. Police will address any matters where there is an intent to threaten, alarm, intimidate, offend or on having been asked to desist from obstructing a public way (impeding the flow of the public) refuses or on having desisted subsequently obstructs that public way or some other public way in the same vicinity (sections 3 and 22 Summary Offences Act 1981)
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The expectation of Bylaws Officers would be that they educate and inform those of the breach of the Bylaw Regulation, seek their agreeance to desist, make appropriate referrals where required and if the persons don't desist, then consider enforcement action under the relevant Bylaw Regulations if appropriate.

Where there is an intent to threaten, alarm, intimidate, offend or otherwise obstruct the public way (impede the movement of the general public) then that is a matter for which Police should be called.

I would also be seeking the assistance of TCC to complete;

1. Joint data collection and review to understand the nature and scale of the problem and to analyse the number of complaints being received
2. Joint Media approach to inform the community of the joint approach being taken by Police/TCC and wider messaging on reporting behaviours and removal of any labelling

Regards

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