

**Waitai Coastal-Burwood-Linwood Community Board
Information Session/Workshop
MINUTES ATTACHMENTS**

Date: Thursday 27 March 2025
Time: 3.30 pm
Venue: Boardroom, Corner Beresford and Union Streets,
New Brighton

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Hay Street, Bromley

- Bromley Transport Action Plan
- Community concerns highlighted in engagement

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Nick Reid, Lachlan Beban,
Peter Rodgers
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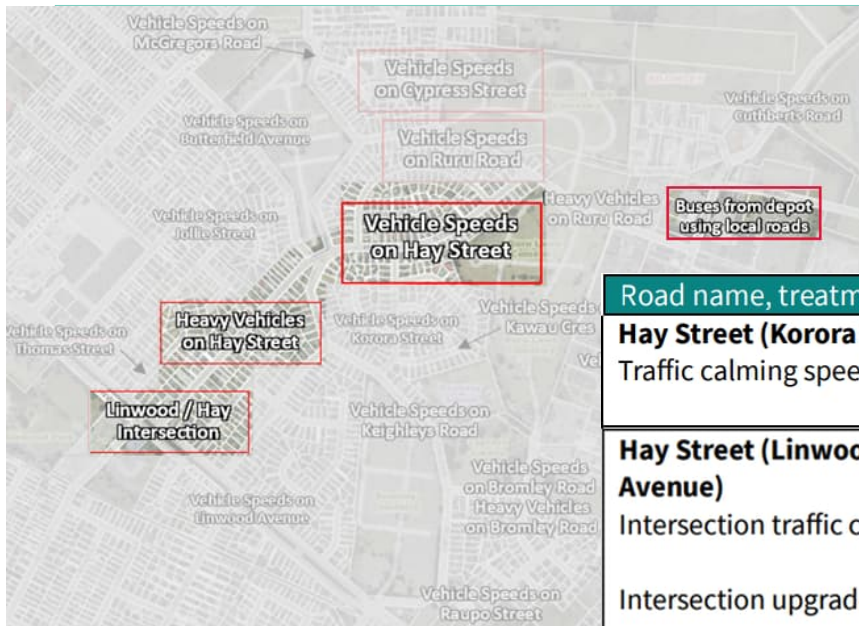
Bromley Transport Action Plan – background & process

- Founded on community raised concerns and input
 - meetings, drop in sessions, community working group work drove successful funding allocation
- Action Plan development
 - Traffic data collection and community issues investigations
 - Themes consistent and well established
 - Speeding vehicles & volumes of heavy vehicles on local residential roads
 - Safety for pedestrians and the school community
- Quick wins - interventions focusing on community concerns, identified and prioritised with community board
- Scheme design development – draft scheme consultation, review feedback, community board approval
- Detailed design & construction – construct design, monitor traffic behaviour, update community board
- Update Action Plan – identify next Quick Win priorities and funding required with community board

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Hay Street in the Transport Action Plan



Road name, treatment type	Community feedback to-date
Hay Street (Korora Street to Ruru Road) Traffic calming speed humps	Heavy vehicle and bus volumes, speeding vehicles
Hay Street (Linwood Avenue to Butterfield Avenue) Intersection traffic calming Intersection upgrade – active transport Traffic calming speed humps Intersection (Hay/McGregors/Butterfield) upgrade – active transport	Heavy vehicle and bus volumes, speeding vehicles Heavy vehicle and bus volumes, speeding vehicles Heavy vehicle and bus volumes, speeding vehicles Pedestrian safety, speeding vehicles

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Thank you

Development on the former Ozone Hotel site plus freedom camping discussion

Waitai Coastal-Burwood-Linwood Community Board

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- 50 units
- A three-storey building facing Marine Parade for travellers' accommodation
- Three two-storey buildings located in the centre of the site
- 26 car parks to the west, with one-way access from Leaver terrace to Bowhill Road
- Consent needed for:

earthworks	landscaping	outdoor living space	road setback
parking / loading / access	indoor/outdoor storage	residential design	unit size

2 Bowhill Road
and
22 Bowhill Road

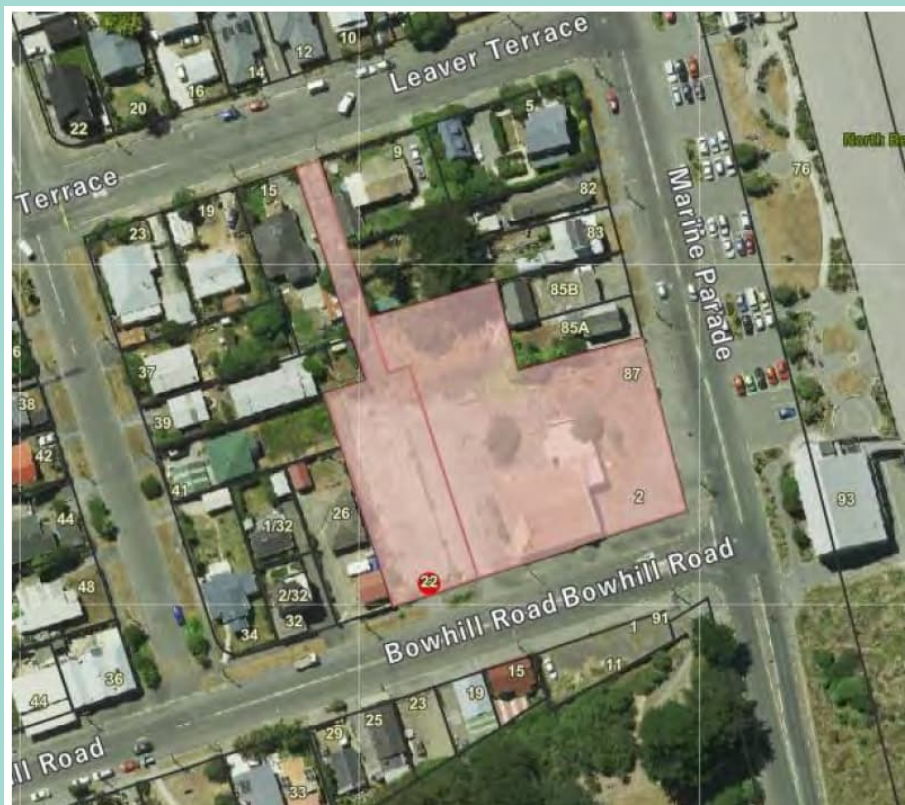
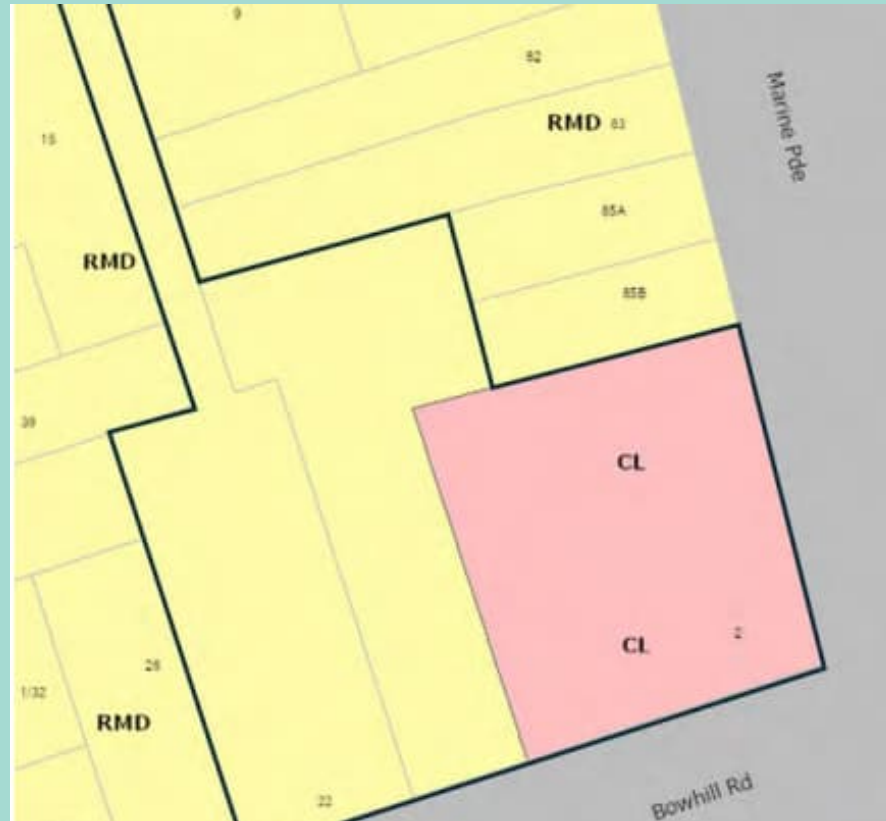


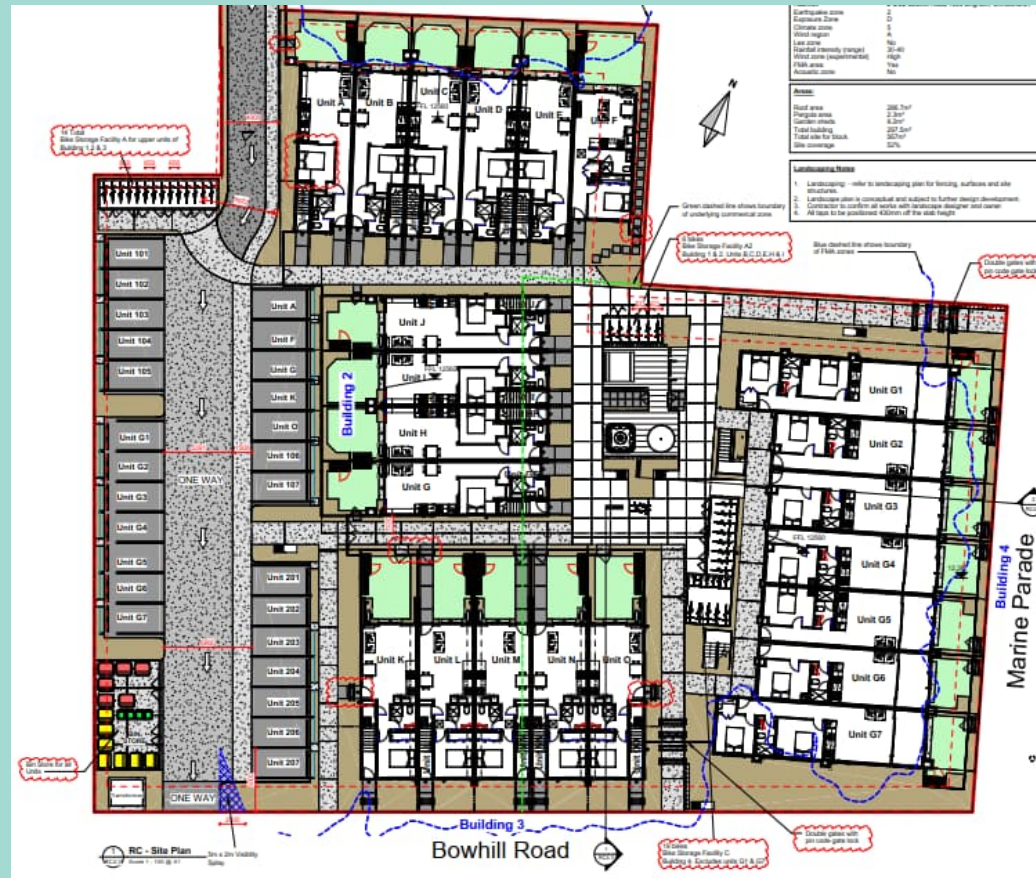
Figure 1: Aerial image of locality. Source: Canterbury Maps

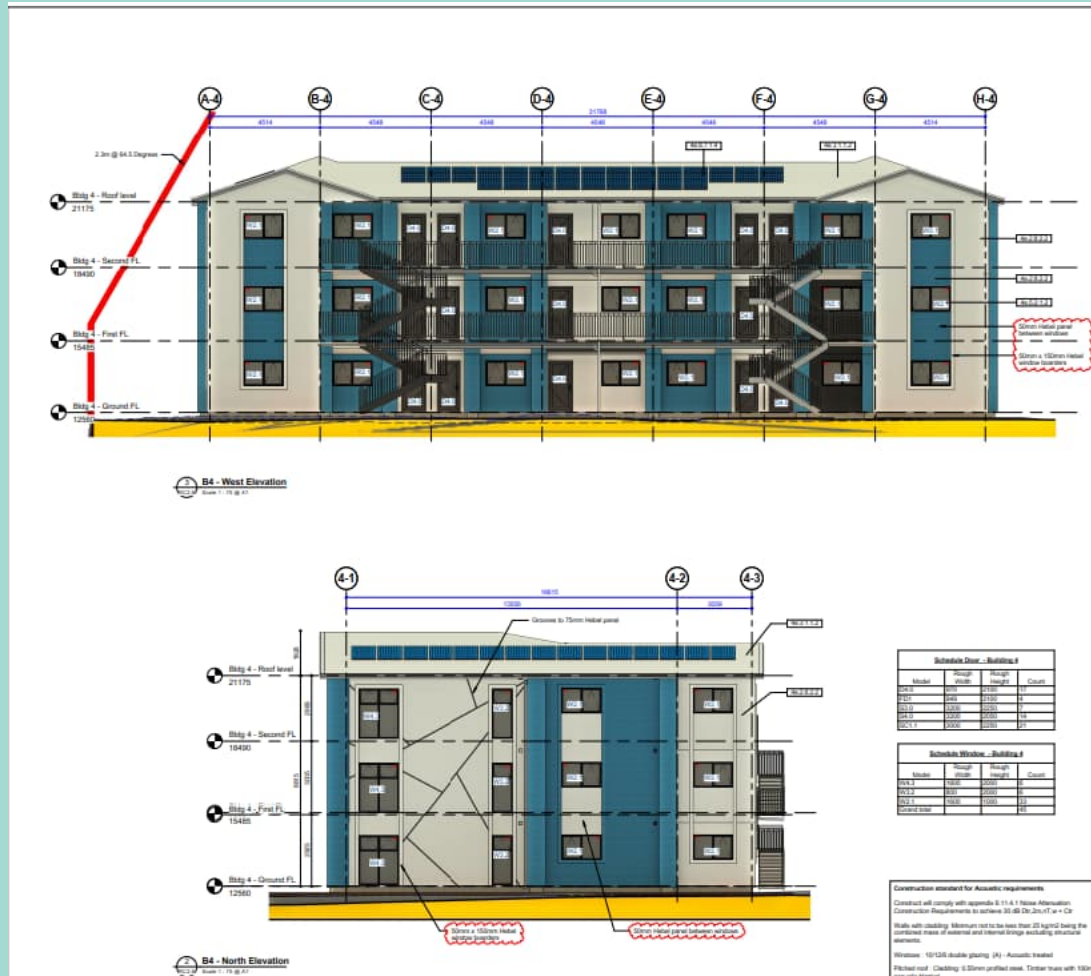
District Plan



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Site plan





Elevations



Freedom camping update

North Beach

To brief the board on freedom camping in the city coastal area

- freedom camping legislation
- legislative changes
- freedom camping bylaw
- freedom camping rules in Coastal-Burwood-Linwood area

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Legislation

- Freedom Camping Act 2011
- Enabled freedom camping on all council land (unless a bylaw or other law restricts or prohibits it)
- Gives councils limited powers to make bylaws to manage freedom camping
- Act amended in 2023

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Legislative changes - 2023

Self-contained Motor Vehicles Legislation Act 2023

- › amended the Freedom Camping Act

Made changes in three key areas:

- › how people can camp on council (and other) land
- › the system for certifying freedom camping vehicles
- › the types of penalties and infringement amounts

Freedom camping changes

Self-contained vehicles

- The Act now prohibits freedom camping in vehicles that are not self-contained, not individual bylaws
- *greater consistency across New Zealand*

Definition of freedom camp

- People experiencing homelessness are not freedom camping
- Where people are living in a vehicle, tent or temporary structure because they are "*unable to live in appropriate residential accommodation*" (section 5 of the Act – meaning of freedom camp)

Advice from MBIE:

- "*Freedom camping infringements cannot be applied to people experiencing homelessness. Council enforcement staff should refer these people to social support agencies when appropriate.*"

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Changes to certified freedom camping vehicles

Self-containment : appropriate plumbing and other facilities to enable a vehicle to be used for camping

New system of certification authorities and certifiers

- *Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers Board*

Immediate change and phase-out

- *NZS 5465:2001 Self-containment of motor caravans and caravans*

New regulations

- *Plumbers, Gasfitters, and Drainlayers (Self-Contained Vehicles) Regulations 2023*

Change from **blue** warrant cards to **green** warrant cards

- *no more stickers*

Two-year transition process (nearly complete)

- *compliant by set dates, extended for privately-owned vehicles (to 7 June 2026)*

Register of self-contained vehicles

- *Verify self-containment (plus new offence for fake)*

New offences and increased infringement fines

Offence	Infringement fee	Comment
Freedom camping in local authority area in breach of prohibition or restriction in bylaw	\$400	Increased from \$200
Freedom camping in local authority area using a motor vehicle that is not self-contained, other than where permitted	\$400	New offence
Failing to display a warrant card when freedom camping in a motor vehicle in a local authority area, other than where permitted	\$200	New offence
Freedom camping in a local authority area in a self-contained motor vehicle with more people than the vehicle is certified for	\$400	New offence
Interfering with or damaging a local authority area, its flora or fauna, or any structure in the area while freedom camping or depositing waste in or on the area while freedom camping	\$800	Increased from \$200 Amended
Making preparations to freedom camp in a local authority area in breach of prohibition or restriction in bylaw	\$400	Increased from \$200
Making preparations to freedom camp in a local authority area using a motor vehicle that is not self-contained, other than where permitted	\$400	New offence
Making preparations to freedom camp in a local authority area in a self-contained motor vehicle with more people than the vehicle is certified for	\$400	New offence
Failing or refusing to leave a local authority area when required to do so by an enforcement officer	\$600	Increased from \$200
Displaying an altered or fraudulent warrant card	\$600	New offence
Presenting an altered or fraudulent certificate of self-containment	\$600	New offence

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Freedom Camping Bylaw – reviewed in 2021

Activity-based changes:

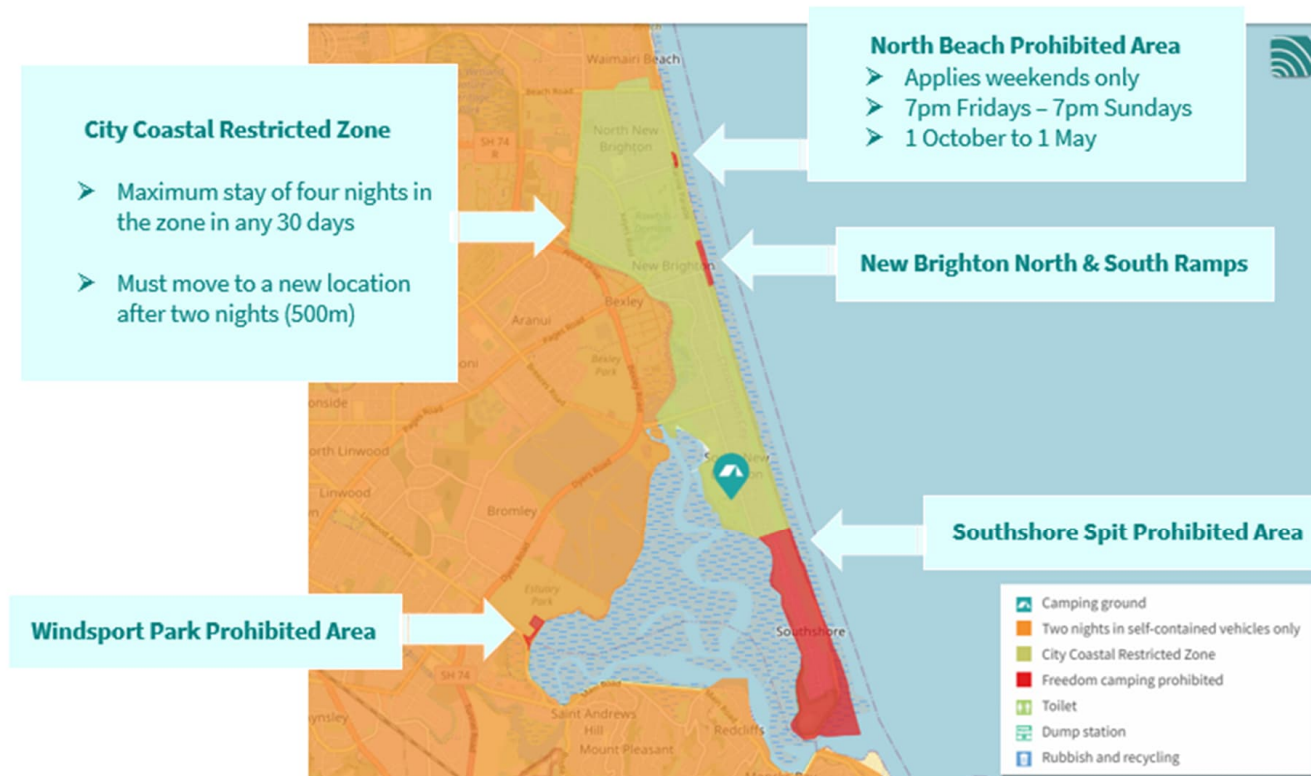
- cannot set up camping vehicle or equipment in a way that blocks thoroughfares
- can only take up one parking space (if there are marked parking spaces)

Location-based changes:

- created the new City Coastal Restricted Zone (max four nights in any 30 days, must move after two nights)
- added North Beach Car Park prohibited area
- 7pm Fridays – 7pm Sundays, between 1 October and 1 May each year
- added Southshore prohibited area

Note: Parks and reserves are regulated under a different bylaw

Bylaw coverage in the Coastal-Burwood-Linwood area



Legislation - Freedom Camping Act 2011, section 11

Bylaws made under the Act can only be made if a council is satisfied that:

- the bylaw is necessary:
 - to protect the area;
 - to protect the health and safety of people who may visit the area; and / or
 - to protect access to the area;
- the bylaw is the most appropriate and proportionate way of addressing the perceived problem in relation to that area; and
- the bylaw is not inconsistent with the New Zealand Bill of Rights Act 1990

Temporary closure – bylaw power

Clause 10: “...where the closure or restriction is considered necessary to:

- *prevent damage to the local authority area or facilities in the area; or*
- *allow maintenance to the local authority area or facilities; or*
- *protect the safety of persons or property; or*
- *provide for better public access, including in circumstances where events are planned for that area”*

Must align with the powers in the Act

Bylaws can be challenged by judicial review

Compliance, monitoring and enforcement activities

- Weekend patrols
- Labour Weekend until November

- Daily patrols
- start of December – end of April

- *Evening patrol – education-focused, reminding campers about the rules*
- *Morning patrol – enforcement when an offence has been committed*

- Other times: Reactive, in response to complaints

Preliminary findings for 15 January to 26 March 2025: North Beach car park

- Highest number of freedom camping vehicles at North Beach evening patrols:
- 15 Jan – 31 Jan: **21 vehicles** (average of **8 vehicles**)
- 1 Feb – 28 Feb: **30 vehicles** (average of **15 vehicles**)
- 1 Mar – 26 Mar: **24 vehicles** (average of **10 vehicles**)

Highest number of freedom camping vehicles at North Beach morning patrols:

- 15 Jan – 31 Jan: **15 vehicles** (average of **6 vehicles**)
- 1 Feb – 28 Feb: **18 vehicles** (average of **7 vehicles**)
- 1 Mar – 26 Mar: **19 vehicles** (average of **5 vehicles**)

- Infringements: 2 tickets
- Complaints: 35 freedom camping complaints, 4 relating to North Beach