

# **Submission by Picton Smart & Connected**

### To the Marlborough District Council

### **Draft Freedom Camping Bylaw Marlborough**

### **Annual Plan Submission**

#### May 2022

Following on from prior Picton Smart + Connected Freedom Camping Annual plan submissions 2015,2016,2017,2018,2019,2020.

### **Freedom Camping Act of August 2011**

# **Bylaw Review - Marlborough**

- We Picton Smart + Connected (PS+C) support responsible camping in fully self-contained freedom camping vehicles, at agreed designated sites in limited numbers.
- We do not support non-self-contained camping other than on D.O.C sites where amenities are offered or at commercial camping sites with facilities.
- Following on from Covid-19 in 2020, 2021, we PS&C fully support the needs of commercial accommodation providers. We hope that the council will use the Freedom Camping Act 2011 and relevant other Acts, to amend / form a bylaw that supports our regions businesses, our environment and the health of our residents and visitors over other considerations.
- We PS+C fully support a \$200 freedom camping infringement fine.
- We PS+C fully support regular monitoring of designated sites / free campers by official council staff / contractors. We do not believe that a fully self-contained sticker is enough to prove self-containment.

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