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**Request for Information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act) (the LGOIMA)**

Thank you for your email of **14 December 2023** requesting the following information:

**1. Please advise usage figures for the freedom camping sites at:**

**a) Waikanae River mouth**

For 2023 season Monthly totals summarised by site below

**b) Marine Parade, Paraparaumu Beach**

For 2023 season Monthly totals summarised by site below

**c) Raumati Beach.**

For 2023 season Monthly totals summarised by site below

Sites	Jan-23	Feb-23	Mar-23
Waikanae River Mouth	58	20	33
Marine Pde, Paraparaumu Beach*	128	75	109
Raumati Beach	92	29	53
Waikanae Boating club	20	10	14
Waikanae Field Way	29	19	28
Waikanae Park, Park Ave	11	15	9
Otaki River Mouth	134	50	81
Paraparaumu Beach 54	20	36	43
Paraparaumu Beach 62	46	22	27
Paraparaumu Beach 69	62	17	39

*Please note that any information provided in response to your request may be published on the Council website, with your personal details removed.*

**\*Please note:** the Marine Parade sites comprise 3 official sub-locations (Paraparaumu 54, 62 and 69) these sub-totals for each site are also noted.

**2. Approximately how many people make use of these sites in a calendar year? Of that number, approximately what proportion use tents, self-contained vehicles or some other form of camping?**

The data in the table below summarises the information known to Council. We note there are two months shown below where no data was collected. The totals below represent all campers recorded including those found at unofficial freedom camping locations.

Month	Year	Camper numbers total for month
January	2023	454
	2022	67
	2021	463
	2020	314
February	2023	450
	2022	83
	2021	No data
	2020	439
March	2023	554
	2022	30
	2021	no data
	2020	411
	2019	267

**3. If there are any further authorized freedom camping sites within the same stretch of coastline, please provide the same information for those as well.**

There are 9 official Freedom Camping Sites provided for in the Kapiti Coast District as shown in the screenshot below.

## Map 1: Schedule 1 Freedom Camping Sites

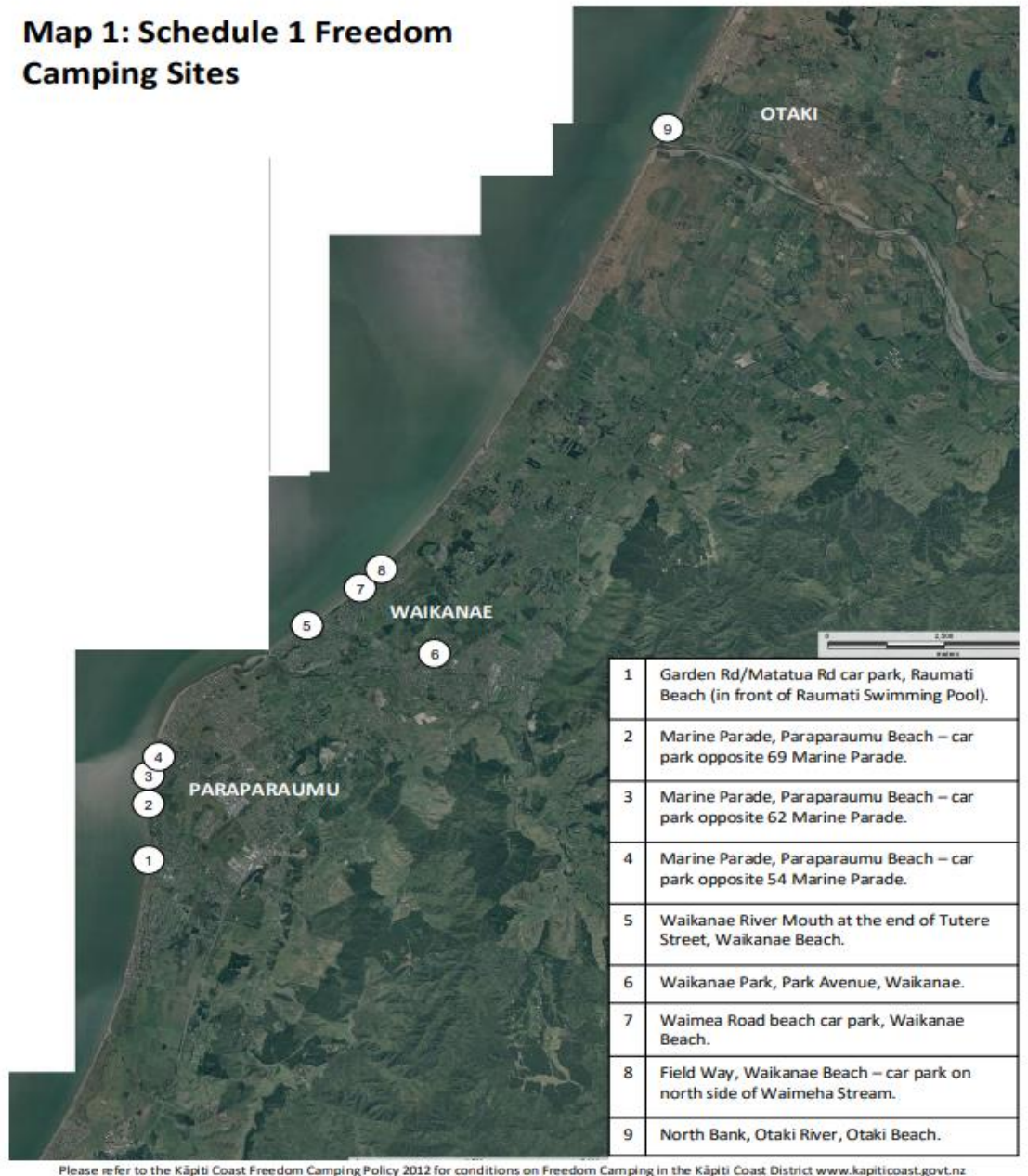


Figure 1: Map from Freedom Camping Policy Schedule 1

We trust this is of assistance. If you require any further information, please contact Richard Hopkins, Environmental Standards Manager on [richard.hopkins@kapiticoast.govt.nz](mailto:richard.hopkins@kapiticoast.govt.nz).

Ngā mihi,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'J. Jefferson', with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

**James Jefferson**

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