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Mr Fraser
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Dear Mr Fraser

I refer to your Official Information Act 1982 (OIA) request received on 7 February 2022 for information about infringement notices issued for 'cruising' offences.

You requested:

Can you please tell me how many infringement notices were issued for breaches of the CHRISTCHURCH CITY COUNCIL CRUISING AND PROHIBITED TIMES ON ROADS BYLAW 2014 in 2021.

Police has issued no infringement offence notices for breaches of the Cruising and Prohibited Times on Roads bylaw in 2021. Due to challenges operationalising the bylaw, Police generally relies on other legislation to enforce anti-social road user activity in Christchurch.

Canterbury District Police has a dedicated Anti-Social Road User (ASR) team which focuses on boy racer issues. This team regularly patrols, monitors, and engages with boy racer groups across Christchurch and takes appropriate enforcement action when necessary, including running checkpoints and ordering unsafe vehicles off the road.

For example, a recent Police covert operation in the Wigram area resulted in eight vehicles currently being sought for impound for sustained loss of traction. A total of 10 separate offences were also identified and 19 infringement offence notices were issued for using a motor vehicle under 3,500kg in a prohibited area.

I trust this information is satisfactory in answering your request.

Yours sincerely



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