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Preachers/Petitioners/Public Speaking/Protesting/Assembly	43	46
Public Places Bylaw	Contributors	Contributions

Contribution Summary

1. What are your views on the regulation of the above activities?

Long Text | Skipped: 0 | Answered: 46 (100%)

Sentiment

No sentiment data

Tags

Protect freedom of speech

Protect freedoms of passersby

Ensure safe passage

Time or location limits

Require written permission

Oppose any regulation

Opposed to preachers

Require permission from businesses

Safety concerns

Disability advocacy

Increase regulation

Online notification

Tag	Percent	Count
Protect freedom of speech	57%	26
Protect freedoms of passersby	37%	17
Ensure safe passage	35%	16
Time or location limits	15%	7
Require written permission	13%	6
Oppose any regulation	11%	5
Opposed to preachers	7%	3
Require permission from businesses	7%	3
Safety concerns	7%	3
Disability advocacy	7%	3
Increase regulation	4%	2
Online notification	2%	1

## Featured Contributions

I agree with removing the need for written permission for the above activities.

Contribution 15 of 15 | 10 December 2023

you could use the online notification process. then at least someone would theoretically know an event was to occur. otherwise approach sounds good

Contribution 14 of 15 | 9 December 2023

Maybe a speakers corner like in London. You can then choose if you want to listen and partake in the discussion.

Contribution 13 of 15 | 7 December 2023

– There is a need to ensure freedom of movement without obstructing or intimidating. There have been instances of where people with low vision have inadvertently been caught up in the middle of a protest which can be quite an unsettling experience. – Everyone can have their say without it becoming violent or dangerous to others. – All of the above need to keep the pathways clear to allow for accessible movement for all.

Contribution 12 of 15 | 7 December 2023

Keep it as it is, this needs regulation to be able to keep control especially if it involves large numbers of people. This is so traffic management, police presence can be sorted

Contribution 11 of 15 | 7 December 2023

Freedom of speech is imperative no matter what. If a protest were to go down Queen Street, then it would impinge on others' freedoms. If someone wants to stand on a public space corner and yell out messages as a town crier, then they have this right, so long as it's not obscenities. People have learned to either walk past or walk around or avoid.

Contribution 10 of 15 | 17 November 2023

I completely disagree that permission should/could be removed. Yes I completely agree that people have the freedom of speech but other have the right not to have this pushed in our faces.

Contribution 9 of 15 | 16 November 2023

This sounds like a reasonable change from written permissions. These activities should be available to everyone.

Contribution 8 of 15 | 15 November 2023

It's good that people can still have freedom of speech and the right to protest, all done safely for everyone's best interest

Contribution 7 of 15 | 15 November 2023

I think people should be allowed freedom of expression but should not obstruct or intimidate, and can be removed if this happens.

Contribution 6 of 15 | 14 November 2023

I support the ability to protest and demonstrate. I agree with provisions that require the freedoms of others to be maintained, especially around access and intimidation. Requiring written permission seems pretty old school. I would like to see safety provisions considered,

especially the risks associated with demonstrating along 100kmh sections of road without traffic management. Some regulations specifying this would be helpful as there are cases recently with activities that clearly cause significant driver distraction & traffic issues on 100kmh roads where those activities are unsafe indirectly

Contribution 5 of 15 | 14 November 2023

These things annoy me and I don't want them anywhere. Any more regulation of these activities would be good in my opinion.

Contribution 4 of 15 | 14 November 2023

I tend to agree that this needs to be more self policed, but with the option for police (or duly appointed wardens) to sort out transgressions with a minimum of hassle (eg unblocking a street, removing intimidation)

Contribution 3 of 15 | 13 November 2023

The right for free speech must be protected at all costs. We must facilitate the differences of opinions by all people.

Contribution 2 of 15 | 13 November 2023

Don't believe they should be able to preach on the streets as right or freedom of speech call it what you like I don't need to be harassed by others views

Contribution 1 of 15 | 13 November 2023