

Begging in Kingsland - message from PC Fred McGraw

I have spoken to the compliance / bylaw team leader at Auckland Council. It is very difficult, next to impossible, to trespass someone from a public way, such as the footpath and square near the train station.

My plan is to forward as much detail about the group to the council, who will organise outreach workers to visit them and assess what can be done to assist them back on their feet, so to speak.

When that fails the council (with police assistance) will be able to target them by way of bylaw notice/infringements.

I will continue to patrol the area when I can in order to identify all of the group and forward their details to the council. I also encourage the Kingsland community to ring the Police at the first sign of harassing/threatening behaviour.

Please feel free to contact me directly for any queries regarding this matter.

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