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For Follow up: 🚨 Urgent Priority.

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Dear New Zealand Police,

I would like to know the operational reasoning behind blocking off West Coast Road heading to the city, and the south side arm of Chattertons Road and having chase/turner cars on West Coast Road (west heading towards Darfield) on the morning of 08/03/21.

I would like to know why alternate routes for exiting that area and intersection were restricted by Police, making drivers turn down a restricted (weight and time) stretch of road, leading to the issuing of an infringement ticket.

Why did Police directing traffic down a restricted stretch of road?

Why did Police then stop vehicles that were trying to leave the restricted area?

Why are Police enforcing the Council bylaw?

How did Police decide who was a "boy racer" and who was an innocent bystander caught up and unable to use other exits?

Yours faithfully,

Hannah Baxter

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