

## VFF Condemns The Actions Of Government & Police At Parliament Today

The actions of the Government and some Police at Parliament today are a disgrace. Shamefully, a peaceful stand for the rights and freedoms of all New Zealanders was met with gross police brutality and total refusal from politicians to listen to significant grievances.

The convoy and stand at Parliament challenge the unethical policies implemented by our government, including ongoing lockdowns, vaccine mandates, and segregation. These measures all have a devastating and significantly negative impact on the health and well-being of Kiwis and New Zealand.

The convoy and subsequent protest at Parliament have been large, overwhelmingly peaceful, and positive. New Zealanders joining the convoy and now standing in Wellington to demonstrate their deep concern over what is happening in this country are everyday Kiwis from all walks of life, including many supporters of Voices For Freedom.

Voices For Freedom is proud to stand with and alongside these Kiwis against the continued destruction of freedoms recognised under our Bill of Rights Act and the incursions on freedom of expression, peaceful assembly, association, movement, and the right to manifestation of belief.

The arrests, brutality (in recent months and this week at Parliament), and ongoing censorship and persecution of anyone speaking against the approved government narrative around Covid is appalling and strongly condemned by Voices for Freedom.

Voices for Freedom stands for integrity, honour and respect. We do not condone aggressive, violent or unlawful behaviour. We encourage people to act calmly and respectfully, even when opposed or challenged, in line with our <u>Code Of Conduct</u>.



## Relevant sections of the New Zealand Bill of Rights 1990:

13 Freedom of thought, conscience, and religion

Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience, religion, and belief, including adopting and holding opinions without interference.

14 Freedom of expression

Everyone has the right to freedom of expression, including the freedom to seek, receive, and impart information and opinions of any kind in any form.

15 Manifestation of religion and belief

Every person has the right to manifest that person's religion or belief in worship, observance, practice, or teaching, either individually or in community with others, and either in public or in private.

16 Freedom of peaceful assembly

Everyone has the right to freedom of peaceful assembly.

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