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Member of Parliament for Rangitikei

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Mr John Bligh  
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BULLS

Dear Mr Bligh

**Re: Civil Defence signage in Bulls**

As per our phone conversation today, please find below the information I received from Rangitikei District Council CEO, Peter Beggs, regarding your concerns.

*Clifton School is not a designated Civil Defence Centre; signage indicating that it is has been and continues to be removed by Council, however the signage continues to be replaced anonymously.*

*The priority Civil Defence Centre at Bulls is Te Matapihi, subject to the nature of the event and the building being suitable for use. There are a few other local options that also could be used for a Civil Defence Centre, including Marton RSA & Citizens Memorial Hall.*

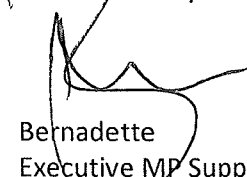
*In any event the location of Civil Defence Centres within the district would be widely communicated on radio, Council's website and social media, Civil Defence Emergency Management social media, and directly with community groups. Temporary signage would also be erected to direct people to the right place e.g., Te Matapihi.*

*Suggested options for Civil Defence Centres are included in our response plans, however the Building Control Act 2020 presents a challenge in that it prevents Council designating a building as a Civil Defence Centre unless the building is IL4. Te Matapihi is not an IL4 building.*

*Nonetheless, at Council's meeting last week, it was requested that signage be erected at Civil Defence Centres in the district.*

ian has asked me to send this information to you. He realises that this is not as extensive as you may have liked but hopes it is helpful in any further approach to the Council.

Yours sincerely



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