

2. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING: 15 JULY 2005 AND MATTERS ARISING

The minutes from the 15 July 2005 meeting (to follow in italics) were reported to the 4 August 2005 Council meeting.

1.1 **Operating Hours – Licensed**

The Subcommittee had requested a report on the operating hours for licensed premises in Christchurch, and comparative data from Dunedin and Auckland City. It was noted both Dunedin and Auckland City are presently reviewing their alcohol policies. The meeting was advised that the police in Auckland are opposed to restricting/limiting the operating hours in their central business district. The age of purchase (considered by many as the drinking age) is presently under national debate.

Recommendation to the Council

*It was resolved to **recommend** that the Council request a report on the effects of the 24 hour licensing, and options for managing these effects including provision for a possible future review of the Council's alcohol policy regarding 24 hour trading.*

2.1 **The Effect of Changes on the Port Hills Due to Removal of Burn-out Areas**

*A report prepared by the Regional Parks Team Manager was considered by the Subcommittee. The modifications to the former burn-out areas appear to have been effective, with a drop in late night car activity, and anti-social behaviour. Further landscaping and modification is planned for the 2005/06 financial year. It was **agreed by consensus** that this item be left on the agenda for future meetings.*

*The information was **received**.*

2.2 **The Effect of “Boy Racer” Bans in Hornby**

A report on the effect of the bans in the Klondyke industrial area was considered by the Subcommittee. It was acknowledged the draft bylaw had served its purpose at the time with over 50 infringement notices being issued. It appears no infringement notices have been issued during the last four years. However there was a perception that the problem has re-emerged at other locations but to a lesser degree. The progress being made by central government in addressing this problem was acknowledged. However it became apparent during the subsequent discussion there is an ongoing problem within Cathedral Square and the surrounding streets, which is having a negative effect on visitors to the central city. Police presence and new enforcement measures (now \$250 fine and ten demerit points for a noisy vehicle) were proving effective.

Tim Barnett MP explained he understood a regulatory change will occur before the election, and there is a commitment by central government to a long-term regulation. However these measures do not preclude the need for appropriate local intervention.

The value of an “audio trailer” (along the lines of the speed trailer) was discussed, and Brian Wearing undertook to do some research and report back to the Subcommittee on the feasibility of this concept.

*It was **agreed by consensus** that the Subcommittee, at the next meeting, discuss options for managing noise issues including recommending to the Council further consideration be given to the light vehicle ban in Cathedral Square and its immediate environs.*

2.3 **Christchurch City Liquor Control Bylaw**

*A copy of the bylaw was circulated with the agenda. The information was **received**.*

COUNCIL RESOLUTION

Operating Hours - Licensed Premises

The Council, at the 4 August 2005 meeting, **adopted** the Misuse of Motor Vehicles Subcommittee recommendation, subject to it being noted that Councillor Corbett had requested that his opposition to the banning of light vehicles in Cathedral Square and its immediate environs be recorded.