

8. LIQUOR LICENSING SUBCOMMITTEE

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PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is for the Board to consider appointing a Liquor Licensing Subcommittee.

EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The current relevant delegation to the Council's Community Boards states:

"Sale of Liquor – the power to appoint one or more members of each Community Board to appear and be heard under Section 108(e) of the Sale of Liquor Act 1989, for the purpose of providing community input."

3. Most of the Boards have appointed a subcommittee to comment, if necessary, on liquor licences applied for within the ward area. Activation of the Subcommittee would occur only if members had concerns and were aware of community issues relating to a particular application being made to the Christchurch District Licensing Agency.
4. Details of liquor licence applications will continue to be circulated to members.

FINANCIAL AND LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

5. Section 108(e) of the Sale of Liquor Act states:

"108. Right of certain persons to appear –

In any proceedings before the Licensing Authority or a District Licensing Agency the following person may appear and be heard:

(e) Any person authorised in that behalf by any local authority."

6. Providing the Subcommittee with power to act, and to co-opt if necessary, will enable timely responses to be submitted if required. Any such action taken would subsequently be reported to the Board for record purposes.

STAFF RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that the Board appoint two members to a Board Liquor Licensing Subcommittee with power to act, and to co-opt, if necessary.