

## 12. SUBMISSION ON THE LAW COMMISSIONS REPORT ENTITLED “ALCOHOL IN OUR LIVES”

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### PURPOSE OF REPORT

1. The purpose of this report is to seek Council endorsement of the Christchurch City Council's submission on the Law Commission's report entitled "Alcohol in our lives", which will be considered and adopted by the Submissions Panel on 12 October 2009 (**separately circulated**).

### EXECUTIVE SUMMARY

2. The Council's submission is supportive of the thrust and direction of the report and has made submissions on the policy options as set in Chapter 13 entitled "Range of Options".
3. On 25 September 2008, the Council resolved to establish the Submissions Panel and delegated it the power to approve Council submissions. Although the Panel has adopted the submission, it seeks the endorsement of the Council.

### FINANCIAL IMPLICATIONS

4. Not applicable.

#### **Do the Recommendations of this Report Align with 2009-19 LTCCP budgets?**

5. Not applicable.

### LEGAL CONSIDERATIONS

6. Not applicable.

#### **Have you considered the legal implications of the issue under consideration?**

7. Not applicable.

### ALIGNMENT WITH LTCCP AND ACTIVITY MANAGEMENT PLANS

8. Not applicable.

#### **Do the recommendations of this report support a level of service or project in the 2009-19 LTCCP?**

9. Not applicable.

### ALIGNMENT WITH STRATEGIES

10. Not applicable.

#### **Do the recommendations align with the Council's strategies?**

11. Not applicable.

### CONSULTATION FULFILMENT

12. A Council workshop was held on 15 September 2009 for Councillors to learn about the report and contribute to the development of the submission. Councillors were also sent the draft submission that was considered by the Submissions Panel on 24 September 2009.

#### **OTHER CONSIDERATIONS**

13. Submissions on the Law Commission report close at 5pm on Friday 30 October 2009. The submission period since the visit of the Law Commission to Christchurch has been very tight as the Law Commission met with Councillors on 17 September 2009. The next Submissions Panel meeting is on 9 October 2009 at which time it is expected that the Panel will sign off on the draft submission for Council consideration on 22 October 2009.

#### **STAFF RECOMMENDATION**

It is recommended that the Council endorse the submission on the Law Commissions report entitled "Alcohol in our lives".