

MINUTES

Hearing of Submissions on Bylaws and Polices

14 September 2021

MINUTES OF MACKENZIE DISTRICT COUNCIL HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS HELD AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FAIRLIE, AND ON ZOOM ON TUESDAY, 14 SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 9.30AM

- **PRESENT:**Mayor Graham Smith, Deputy Mayor James Leslie, Cr Anne Munro, Cr Stuart
Barwood, Cr Murray Cox, Cr Emily Bradbury, Cr Matt Murphy
- IN ATTENDANCE: Tim Harty (General Manager Operations), Alexis Gray (General Manager People and Culture), Aaron Hakkaart (Planning Manager), Rachael Willox (Planner), Sam Molyneux (Executive Assistant), Arlene Goss (Governance Advisor), Keiller MacDuff (Timaru Herald), Submitters as below (by Zoom).

A recording of this hearing is available on request.

1 OPENING

The Mayor opened the hearing and noted the precautions to be taken when holding meetings under Level 2 Covid lockdown.

2 APOLOGIES

An apology was received from acting chief executive Angela Oosthuizen who may join on Zoom later in the hearing.

3 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cr Munro declared an interest in the proposed Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw in that she owns two cats. Cr Leslie replied that she didn't own cats, they owned her. The Mayor did not accept this was a conflict of interest.

Cr Bradbury declared an interest in the proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy. She is on the Twizel Kindergarten Committee and makes applications on behalf of the committee for grants from Trust Aoraki. She did not receive a financial benefit from this.

4 REPORTS

4.1 RECEIVE AND CONSIDER SUBMISSIONS TO BYLAWS AND POLICIES

The purpose of this report was for Council to formally receive and hear the submissions to the Proposed Policies and Bylaws 2021.

Planning Manager Aaron Hakkart outlined the process to be followed in adopting the bylaws and policies. Then Rachael Willox summarized the schedule for the hearing.

Timeline for Hearing of Submissions

09.30 - 09.45	Opening and Overview of Hearing
09.45 - 09.55	Mr. Jason Williamson on behalf of Trust Aoraki Limited
	Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy 2021
10.00- 10.10	Mr. Chris Bruin

	Proposed Alcohol Restrictions in Public Places Bylaw 2021 and the Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy 2021
10.15 - 10.25	Mr. Jarrod True on behalf of The Gaming Foundation of New Zealand
	Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy 2021
10.30 - 10.40	Mr. Rob Young
	Proposed Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw 2021
10.45 - 10.55	Ms. Nicky Snoyink on behalf of Forrest and Bird
	Proposed Keeping of Animals Poultry and Bees Bylaw 2021
10.00 - 10.10	Ms. Sarah Campagnolo on behalf of The Problem Gambling Foundation
	Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy 2021
11.15 – 11.20	Close of Hearing

RESOLUTION 2021/119

Moved: Cr Anne Munro Seconded: Cr Matt Murphy

1. That the report be received.

CARRIED

RESOLUTION 2021/120

Moved: Mayor Graham Smith Seconded: Deputy Mayor James Leslie

- 2. That the Council formally receive the 15 submissions to the Proposed Policies and Bylaws 2021.
- 3. The Council hear submissions from six submitters who wish to be heard in support of their submission.

CARRIED

4.2 HEARING OF SUBMISSIONS.

Jason Williamson, on behalf of Trust Aoraki, spoke on the Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy. He gave a powerpoint presentation that is available as an attachment to these minutes.

Chris Bruin had an appointment to speak on the Proposed Alcohol Restrictions in Public Places Bylaw and the Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy. He did not attend or speak.

Jarrod True, on behalf of the Gaming Foundation of New Zealand, spoke on the Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy. He gave a powerpoint presentation that is available as an attachment to these minutes.

Rob Young spoke on the Proposed Keeping of Animals, Poultry and Bees Bylaw. He said hive numbers in New Zealand had increased in the last few years and bee hives were now kept by

hobbyists in urban areas. He spoke about the loss of hives in New Zealand due to various factors including varroa mite and how to mitigate any problems caused by bees in urban areas.

Questions were asked about disease management for hobbyists, and the minimum lot size to keep bees in urban areas. Mr Young said a normal Twizel section was capable of having one or two hives.

Cr Munro asked what he would do if a neighbour wanted to build a swimming pool and was also allergic to bees. He said he would put water next to the hive so they didn't need to drink from the pool. But there wasn't just his own bees to consider.

Nicky Snoyink from Forrest and Bird spoke on the Proposed Keeping of Animals Poultry and Bees Bylaw. Her submission was on the keeping of cats. She questioned the jurisdiction of the bylaw as it currently only applied to urban areas. She would like to see it go district-wide. On the licensing proposal she said a simpler approach might be to impose microchipping, desexing and restricting the numbers of cats per household. Licensing could then apply to people like cat breeders.

Sarah Campagnolo from The Problem Gambling Foundation spoke on the Proposed Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy. She supported the sinking lid approach and said only a small amount of money was returned to the Mackenzie District. Sport was the biggest receiver of community funding. The money was coming from only about 70 people who used gambling venues and it was likely they did not benefit from the grants.

The hearing closed at 11.10am.

The minutes of this hearing were confirmed at the Ordinary Council Meeting held on

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CHAIRPERSON