

Kapiti Local Easter Shop Trading Policy 2017

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1. INTRODUCTION

The purpose of this policy is to enable shops to trade on Easter Sunday if they wish. This policy is made under Part 2 (subpart 1) of the Shop Trading Hours Act 1990 (the Act). Easter Sunday is a significant day in the religious calendar for many New Zealanders. Some businesses will choose not to open and some workers will choose not to work on this day.

2. POLICY OBJECTIVES AND SCOPE

The objective of this policy is to enable Easter Sunday Trading and support a vibrant, diverse and thriving Kāpiti.

This policy applies to the whole of the Kāpiti Coast District (see Schedule 1 Map) and does not apply to the sale and supply of alcohol, which is regulated under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

3. STRATEGIC ALIGNMENT

This policy supports the vision for the Kapiti Coast as vibrant, diverse and thriving and contributes to the following Council Outcomes:

- Thriving economy – support the unique character of the various geographic communities and communities of interest while encouraging greater district integration
- Democracy through community participation – create easy opportunities throughout the council decision making process for the community to contribute.

4. DEFINITIONS

For the purposes of this policy, the meaning of a shop is the same as defined in section 2 of the Act:

‘a building, place, or part of a building or place, where goods are kept, sold, or offered for sale, by retail; and includes an auction mart, and a barrow, stall, or other subdivision of a market; but does not include:

- (a) a private home where the owner or occupier’s effects are being sold (by auction or otherwise); or
- (b) a building or place where the only business carried on is that of selling by auction agricultural products, pastoral products, and livestock, or any of them; or

- (c) a building or place where the only business carried on is that of selling goods to people who are dealers, and buy the goods to sell them again'

5. POLICY

The Policy of the Kapiti Coast District Council is as follows:

Shop trading is permitted on Easter Sundays throughout the whole of the Kapiti Coast District as defined by the map in Schedule 1

Individual retailers will choose whether to open on Easter Sunday. This policy does not require shops to open on Easter Sunday, nor does it require individuals to shop on Easter Sunday or require employees to work on Easter Sunday. The workers choice provision in Part 2 (subpart 2) of the Shop Trading Hours Act 1990 that outlines a shop employee's right to refuse to work on Easter Sunday supports this right.

6. MONITORING

The Ministry of Business, Innovation and Employment is responsible for enforcement of breaches of shop trading hours on Easter Sundays and the imposition of penalties.

7. REVIEW

This policy is required to be reviewed at least every five years from the date of adoption.

8. REFERENCES

Shop Trading Hours Act 1990

Schedule 1 Kapiti Coast District

