

SUMMARY OF INFORMATION

Proposal to Review the Kapiti Coast District Council Class 4 Gambling Policy in accordance with Section 102 of the Gambling Act 2003.

In accordance with section 102 of the Gambling Act 2003 the Kāpiti Coast District Council has conducted its third study on the local impact of Class 4 Gambling, with the intent to review its Class 4 Gambling Policy.

The primary goal of the current Kāpiti Coast District Council Class 4 Gambling Policy was to acknowledge and deal with the disproportionate number of Class 4 gambling machines in some of the District's most vulnerable communities. The Draft Policy being proposed for 2010 aims to continue this focus.

The Kapiti Coast District Council is committed to reducing real or potential gambling harm in the Districts most high risk locations; whilst also acknowledging the importance of gambling grants for the financial viability of many local sports clubs and charities and the Districts overall mid to low risk to problem gambling.

The Kapiti Coast District Council has considered these factors and proposed an amendment to the current Gambling Policy. This amendment involves setting a cap on the number of Class 4 gaming machines at a ward level using the national average of Class 4 gaming machines to adults as a benchmark.

In accordance with section 83 of the Local Government Act 2002 the Council will use the Special Consultative Procedure to consult with the public. A Statement of Proposal with the latest Social Impact Review and Draft Policy attached has been produced, and is available for the general public to view and provide feedback on. The public submission period starts today and will run for one calendar month.

WHERE TO INSPECT THE STATEMENT OF PROPOSAL AND THE METHOD OF OBTAINING COPIES

Council Service Centres at:

Otaki: Main/Aotaki Street, 06 364 8039

Waikanae: Mahara Place, 04 296 4761

Paraparaumu: Council Offices, 175 Rimu Road, Private Bag 60601, 04 296 4700

Copies may also be obtained from the Council website: www.kapiticoast.govt.nz and by mail. Please phone 04 296 4700 to request a copy by mail.

METHODS OF MAKING SUBMISSIONS

Submissions may be made in writing. Submission forms can be obtained from Council Service Centres, from the website or by mail.

Submissions can be mailed to:

Kapiti Coast District Council

Private Bag 60601

Paraparaumu

Or faxed to 04 296 4830 or email: kapiti.council@kapiticoast.govt.nz.

And marked: **Draft Kapiti Coast District Council Gambling Policy 2010**

THE PERIOD WITHIN WHICH SUBMISSIONS MAY BE MADE

The closing date for submissions is **4pm on Friday 25 February 2011.**