Christchurch City Council

DRAFT PSYCHOACTIVE PRODUCTS RETAIL LOCATIONS POLICY

The Christchurch City Council is proposing to make a Psychoactive Products Retail Locations Policy under the Psychoactive Substances Act 2013 that deals with where premises licensed to sell psychoactive substances (the active ingredients in party pills, energy pills and herbal highs) are permitted to locate.

Submissions on this proposal may be made to the Council between **3 July, 2014, and 4 August, 2014**.

The Council has prepared a draft Psychoactive Products Retail Locations Policy and is now seeking community feedback on it.

The draft Psychoactive Products Retail Locations Policy for Christchurch contains the following provisions around where a retailer of a psychoactive substance is permitted to locate:

- Retail premises from which approved products may be sold are permitted to locate within the Central City Core and Central City Mixed Use Zones.
- Retail premises from which approved products may be sold are not permitted within 100 metres of a "sensitive site" existing at the time the licence application is made.
- Retail premises from which approved products may be sold are not permitted within 50 metres of another retail premises from which approved products may be sold.

Copies of the Summary of Information and the full Statement of Proposal, which includes the draft Psychoactive Products Retail Locations Policy, are available at all open Council libraries and service centres, including Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street. The Summary of Information and Statement of Proposal are also available online at <u>www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay</u>.

Submissions on this proposal can be made either:

- Through the Council's "Have Your Say" website at www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay
- Via email to psychoactive@ccc.govt.nz
- In writing to: Freepost 178 Draft Psychoactive Products Retail Locations Policy Hearings Team Christchurch City Council PO Box 73016 Christchurch 8154

• By delivery to the Council's Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch.

Submissions on this proposal must be received by 5pm on Monday, 4 August 2014.

Any person who makes a submission will have the opportunity to be heard by the Council, but must make that request in their submission. The submitter's name, address and contact telephone number must be included. No anonymous submissions will be accepted. Hearings will be held at a date yet to be confirmed. Submitters who have asked to be heard will be advised of the dates available.

We are legally required to make all written or electronic submissions available to the public and to Councillors, including the name and address of the submitter. The submissions, including all contact details provided, will be available to the public subject to the provisions of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987. If you consider there to be compelling reasons why your contact details and/ or submission should be kept confidential, you should contact Council Secretary Clare Sullivan by phoning o3 941 8999 or 0800 800 169.

The Council will be holding community drop-in sessions where you can discuss the draft policy with Council staff and make a submission. For details, visit: <u>www.ccc.govt.nz/HaveYourSay</u>.

JULY 2014 MEETINGS

The previously advertised meeting of the Earthquake Recovery Committee of the Whole, scheduled to take place on 3 July 2014 at 9.30am has been cancelled.

The following meeting is in addition to those previously advertised, and will be held as follows:

LITCHFIELD STREET CARPARK SUBCOMMITTEE

Date Time Venue

3 9am Civic Offices, 53 Hereford Street, Christchurch

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