

HURUNUI DISTRICT COUNCIL

CLASS 4 AND TAB GAMBLING VENUE POLICY

OBJECTIVES OF THE POLICY

- To ensure the Council and the community has influence over the provision of new gambling in the District.
- To allow those who wish to participate in electronic gaming machine and totalisator (TAB) gambling to do so within the District.
- To review the type and number of Class 4 and TAB Gambling Venues being established in the District from time to time and assess any social effects arising from this activity.

WHERE CLASS 4 GAMBLING OR TAB VENUES MAY BE ESTABLISHED

Class 4 gambling and TAB venues may be established in the District subject to meeting application and fee requirements. However the primary activity of any Class 4 gambling venue shall be either a stand alone TAB site, a licensed club premises or a licensed premises where it sells liquor either separately or with food but excluding wineries.

NUMBERS OF ELECTRONIC GAMING MACHINES TO BE ALLOWED

- New venues shall be allowed a maximum of 9 electronic gaming machines.
- Venues with licenses issued after 17 October 2001 and operating fewer than 9 electronic gaming machines shall be allowed to increase the number of machines operated at the venue to 9.

APPLICATIONS

Applications for consent to the Hurunui District Council must be made on the approved form and must provide:

- Name and address details for the application;
- Street address of premises proposed for the Class 4 venue;
- The names of management staff;
- A site plan covering both gambling and other activities proposed for the venue, including details of each floor of the venue. This site plan must clearly show where the electronic gaming machines are to be located on the premises; and
- Details of the liquor licence(s) applying to the premises.

APPLICATION FEES

These will be set by the Hurunui District Council from time to time and shall include consideration of:

- The cost of processing the application, including any consultation and hearings involved;
- The cost of triennially reviewing the Class 4 gambling and TAB venue policy;
- A contribution towards the cost of triennial assessments of the economic and social impact of gambling in the Hurunui District.

The fee will be reviewed on a annual basis but may be carried out at more regular intervals if the Council considers this necessary. For the year beginning the 18 March 2004 the fee will be charged at a cost of \$300 (inclusive of GST). This fee is prescribed pursuant to section 150 (1)(b) and section 150 (3) (b) of the Local Government Act 2002.

ADMINISTRATION/DECISION MAKING

- The Environmental Services Committee of the Council shall administer this policy.
- Licence applications will be processed by staff under delegated authority based on the criteria contained in this policy. The Council has 30 days in which to make a decision on any application received under the respective legislation. There is no right of appeal to the Council against a decision.

MONITORING AND REVIEW

The Council will monitor the social and economic impact of gambling on the District's community during the life of the policy. The Council may amend this policy as a result of the findings of any economic and social impact of gaming on the community. If the Council amends or replaces this policy it shall do so in accordance with the special consultative procedure of the Local Government Act 2002. The Council will carry out a review of this policy at a minimum of every three years in accordance with the Gambling Act 2003.