

# MINUTES

## Reconvened from 17 August 2010

**TITLE:** Environment and Planning Committee  
**DATE:** Thursday, 2 September 2010  
**TIME:** 9.15 am  
**VENUE:** Council Chamber, 189 Queen Street, Richmond

**PRESENT:** Cr M J Higgins (Chair), Mayor R G Kempthorne,  
Crs S J Borlase, S G Bryant, R G Currie, B F Dowler,  
J L Edgar, B W Ensor, G A Glover, J L Inglis, T B King,  
T E Norriss, N Riley and E J Wilkins

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Environment and Planning Manager (D Bush-King),  
Administration Officer (J A Proctor)

### 1 REPORTS

#### 1.1 SUPPLEMENTARY REPORT ON TASMAN DISTRICT COUNCIL GAMBLING VENUES POLICY – REP10-09-01

Environment and Planning Manager, Mr Bush-King spoke to the report contained in the agenda.

The purpose of the report was to provide the Committee with details of Tasman District Council's proposed Gambling Venues Policy. At a hearing conducted by the Environment and Planning Committee on 17 August 2010, a general consensus was reached by Committee members, that the Policy should specify a cap on gaming machine numbers, but that no limitation is put on venue numbers. The Committee also expressed a desire to have some control on the location that any new gambling venues may occupy in future.

Mayor Kempthorne and Cr Riley stated that they had not been present during previous discussions and would not be taking part in the vote.

A discussion ensued regarding the definition of "a local paper" under The Gambling Act 2003 and The Racing Act 2003. Staff confirmed that it did include Council's publication "Newsline". It was suggested that applications for a Class Four venue licence and New Zealand Racing Board gambling venue could be advertised in "Newsline" to ensure wider publication across the District. It was acknowledged that it was not a legislative requirement to advertise such applications in "Newsline".

In response to questioning, staff confirmed that licences were capped at 18 per venue but could be traded between premises. The trading of licences may be subject to a Consent Hearing process.

Cr Glover proposed an amendment to the motion:

THAT the maximum number of gaming machines licensed in the Tasman District be capped at 190.

The motion failed to attract a seconder.

**Moved Crs Currie/Dowler  
EP10-09-01**

**THAT pursuant to the delegated authority provided by Tasman District Council to adopt policy, the Environment and Planning Committee adopts the Draft Gambling Venues Policy September 2010 contained as “Attachment 1” of the report REP10-09-01 on which the formal consultation process was concluded at the hearing on 17 August 2010 as amended.**

**And;**

**THAT the Draft Gambling Venues Policy September 2010 adopted in 5.1 of the report REP10-09-01 shall come into effect on 30 September 2010 and that at that same time, the “Tasman District Council Gambling Act 2003 Venues Policy August 2001” be revoked.**

**CARRIED**

Cr Glover voted against the motion.

The meeting concluded at 9.39 am.

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**Date Confirmed:**

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**Chair:**