

MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE GORE DISTRICT COUNCIL, HELD IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CIVIC ADMINISTRATION BUILDING, 29 CIVIC AVENUE, GORE, ON MONDAY 15 MARCH 2010, AT 4.04 pm

PRESENT His Worship the Mayor (Mr Tracy Hicks JP), Crs Davis, Dixey, Dixon, Harvey, Heller, Highsted, Gardyne, Grant, McLennan and Sharp.

IN ATTENDANCE The Chief Executive (Mr Stephen Parry), General Manager, Corporate Services (Mr Russell Duthie), General Manager, District Assets (Mr Paul Withers), Roading Manager (Mr Murray Hasler), Asset Manager, Utilities (Mr Ross Haslemore), HR/Administration Manager (Susan Jones) and the Community Development Officer (Colleen Te Au).

1. ADOPTION OF GAMBLING AND TAB VENUE POLICY (54.12.1)

A memo had been received from the Chief Executive advising that the Council was required to review its Class 4 Gambling and TAB Venue Policy every three years. A hearings panel comprising Crs Davis, Dixey and Sharp heard submissions on 17 February.

Notes of the hearing had been circulated, together with a revised Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy and a revised TAB Venue Policy.

The Chief Executive said Cr Heller had suggested the reference to “licensee” in the Best Practice Code of Conduct would be better amended to “Venue Manager”. The Code was not mandatory but would be commended to the various premises for reporting purposes. It would also be a useful tool for social service agencies when the policy was reviewed again in three years time.

Cr Gardyne questioned why the Code could not be mandatory.

The Chief Executive said the Council was following the lead of the Waitakere City Council and hoping for voluntary buy-in. In

three years time if there was wholesale non-adherence, then the voluntary nature could be revisited.

Cr Heller thought a code of conduct may need to be separated for both the gambling and TAB venues. The RSAs and Town and Country Club were governed by the Department of Internal Affairs as far as reporting was concerned. He added in April 2009 all gaming machines had to be updated to reflect the amount of time and money a patron had spent on it.

Cr Dixey moved THAT the Council adopt the Gore District Council Class 4 Gambling Venue Policy and the Gore District Council TAB Venue Policy, for the next three year period commencing 16 March 2010.

The motion was seconded by Cr Sharp.

In response to Cr Gardyne, the Chief Executive thought there would be a mandatory disclosure by the Department of Internal Affairs about income generated by gaming machines. He did not see why an organisation would decline providing information about where its grants from gaming machine profits were distributed to.

The motion was put and it was carried.

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The meeting concluded at 4.20 pm