



OTOROHANGA DISTRICT COUNCIL GAMBLING VENUE POLICY 2010

1. Objectives of the policy

- a. To support the purpose and intent of the Gambling Act 2003
- b. To provide for the continued availability of class 4 gambling within the Otorohanga District in accordance with the purpose and intent of the Gambling Act 2003
- c. To control the growth of class 4 gambling machine numbers within the Otorohanga District
- d. To encourage responsible gambling practices and attitudes in class 4 gambling venues.

2. Standards

a. Numbers of pokie machines to be allowed – per venue

- i. Council will not grant consent for the establishment of any new Class 4 venues or machines under this policy.
- ii. Once the venue ceases to operate, the machine numbers will not be allocated to any new or existing venue.
- iii. All Class 4 venues, with the exception of venues that are also Board Venues (TABs), are required to have liquor licenses. Any liquor license issued will be compliant with the Council's Liquor Licensing Policy.
- iv. A gambling venue consent is for one venue (one premise) and is not transferable to another venue. The consent is given to a venue at a given address, not to a person or business.

b. Exceptions

- i. Clubs that rebuild or relocate may be allowed a maximum of the number of gaming machines approved at the time of closing of the former premises.
- ii. When two or more clubs wish to merge physically they may be allowed to operate the sum of the number of gaming machines specified in all the clubs Class 4 venue licenses at the time of application or 18 machines, whichever is the lesser.

3. Primary activity of class 4 gambling venues

The primary activity of any class 4 gambling venue shall be:

- i. Clubs for sporting activities, or
- ii. Chartered clubs, or

- iii. For the sale of liquor, or for the sale of liquor and food, for consumption on the premise, or
- iv. For TAB agency outlets.

4. Conditions applying to all gambling venues under this policy

Requirements applying to all locations:

- i. Gambling machines must not be a primary part of the venue's operation.
- ii. Gambling machines and/or signage relating to or promoting gambling must not be visible from any public place outside the venue.
- iii. The gambling area in a venue shall not have a separate entrance, separate name or otherwise seem to be separate from the primary activity of the venue.
- iv. The venue must have an on licence or club licence for the sale of liquor for consumption on the premises, or be a TAB venue.
- v. The principal entrance of any venue premises located outside the CBD areas of Otorohanga and Kawhia shall not be located closer than 100 metres to any residential property, community facility, school or early child care centre.
- vi. The venue premises shall not adjoin within the CBD area, or be within 50 metres of the principal entrance outside the CBD area of, any other class 4 gambling venue.
- vii. Meeting all application, declaration, and fee requirements.

5. Applications for a venue consent

Applications for territorial authority venue, where the application satisfies section **2.b** above, may be lodged at any time and must include the following information:

- i. Name and contact details for the application, including the society name, the venue trading name(s), any other name(s) related to the venue, and the venue operator's name(s).
- ii. Street address of premises and legal description of the property proposed for the class 4 venue.
- iii. A locality plan clearly identifying the venue property in relation to other neighbouring properties and surrounding land use.
- iv. A site plan of the venue property showing existing and proposed buildings.
- v. A plan of existing and proposed building showing floor layout, location of machines, and external doors.
- vi. A declaration from the applicant that the proposed venue complies with Council's gambling venue policy.

6. Identification of CBD areas

For the purposes of this policy, the CBD areas of Otorohanga and Kawhia are described below:

Otorohanga

All land between the railway line to the east and Turongo Street to the west, and Ranfurly Street to the north and Te Kanawa Street/Pine Street to the south.

Kawhia

All the properties fronting Jervois Street including the corner property occupied by the Kawhia Hotel, and the property occupied by the Kawhia Boating and Angling Club.

7. Application fee

This fee will be set by the Council from time to time, and will be based on recovering the fair and reasonable costs of processing an application to determine compliance with the policy.