

TAB BOARD VENUE POLICY

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1. Introduction

This policy covers stand-alone TAB Board Venues, which are owned or leased by the New Zealand Racing Board. Council consent is not required under the legislation to establish a TAB facility in a bar, hotel or club. If a TAB Board Venue wishes to host gaming machines, a separate application must be made under Council's class 4 gambling policy and the TAB Board Venue must also meet the additional criteria set out in that policy.

2. Purpose

Section 65D of the Racing Act 2003 gave Territorial Local Bodies the responsibility for determining a TAB Board Venue Policy as well as executing that policy.

3. Definitions

The following definitions are fundamental to this policy and describe the intent that lies behind formulating this policy document.

3.1. Board Venue

Totalisator Agency Board venue which is not located on licensed premises.

3.2. Zones

Residential - Locations where the primary character is residential.

Rural - The Rural Zone encompasses all the non-residential areas of the district including lakes and rivers.

Business 1 - Commercial Focus - An area of concentrated commercial and retail facilities which is accessible, safe, convenient and identifiable.

Business 2 - Mixed Business Use Area - The existing business area in close proximity to Queen Street, Waimate, suitable for the establishment of a mixture of commercial, service, industrial and residential activities.

Business 3 - Industrial Activity Area - Locations for the establishment and maintenance of industrial activities which do not adversely affect the amenities of area in the vicinity.

4. Policy Objectives

4.1. Where Board Venues may be established

Some venues existing at the time of formulating this policy may not meet all requirements listed below. This policy recognises their rights as an existing use.

(NOTE: The zones listed below are generic and need to be 'read' in conjunction with the specific zones set out in the Waimate District Council's District Plan.)

4.1.1. Business Zone 1 and 2

Board Venues may be established within the Business Zones 1 and 2, subject to:

- Meeting all application and fee requirements
- Not being a venue at which the primary activity is associated with family or children's activities.

4.1.2. . Business Zone 3, Rural Zone, Residential Zone

Board venues may be established in Business Zone 3, Rural and Residential Zones subject to:

- Meeting all application and fee requirements
- Being no closer than 100 metres to any school, early childhood centre, kindergarten, place of worship or other community facility, the measurement being from the closest boundaries.
- Not being a venue at which the primary activity is associated with family or children's activities.

4.2. Applications

Applications for territorial authority consent must be made on the approved form and must provide the following information:

- Name and contact details for the application
- Street address of premises proposed for the Board Venue
- The names of management staff
- If not in the Business Zone 1 or 2, evidence of the distance to the nearest residential zone, educational or religious establishment

4.3. Application Fees

These will be set by the territorial authority from time to time, and shall be set so as to offset the costs to the Council of executing the requirements of the Racing Act 2003. These will include:

- The cost of processing the application, including any consultation and hearings involved
- The cost of triennially reviewing the TAB Board Venue policy
- The cost of inspecting TAB Board Venues on a regular basis to ensure compliance with consent or license conditions
- A contribution towards the cost of triennial assessments of the economic and social impact of gambling in the district.

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