PUBLIC NOTICE UNDER CLAUSE 5 OF THE FIRST SCHEDULE OF THE RESOURCE MANAGEMENT ACT 1991

PALMERSTON NORTH CITY DISTRICT PLAN – PROPOSED PLAN CHANGE A: REMOVAL OF OPENING HOUR RULES FOR ACTIVITIES INVOLVING THE SALE OF ALCOHOL

Palmerston North City Council has prepared a proposed change to the Palmerston North City District Plan (the Plan). Pursuant to Clause 5 of the First Schedule of the Resource Management Act 1991 (RMA), the Palmerston North City Council gives notice that it is publicly notifying Proposed Plan Change A (Plan Change A) and inviting people to make submissions.

Please Note: If you are a property owner with tenants or occupiers other than yourself, please ensure the occupiers of your property are made aware of the public notification of Plan Change A.

Intent of Proposed Plan Change A:

Proposed Plan Change A can be summarised as the removal of opening hour rules for activities involving the sale of alcohol from the following zones of the District Plan:

- Inner Business Zone
- Outer Business Zone
- Fringe Business Zone
- Local Business Zone
- Industrial Zone

Opening hour rules are being removed from the District Plan so that Council can develop a Local Alcohol Policy (LAP) under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. A LAP is considered a better regulatory mechanism to manage opening hours for activities selling alcohol than the District Plan.

Viewing of Plan Change A is available at the following offices when these offices are open to the public:

- The Customer Service Centre, Palmerston North City Council, Civic Administration Building, The Square, Palmerston North.
- The Palmerston North Public Library (2nd Floor – NZ Pacific Zone), The Square, Palmerston North and all suburban libraries.

All information on Plan Change A including submission forms are available on the Council’s website www.pncc.govt.nz.

Enquiries about Plan Change A
Enquiries can be made to Jonathan Ferguson-Pye, phone (06) 356 8199 or e-mail jono.ferguson-pye@pncc.govt.nz.

Making a Submission on Plan Change A: any person may make a submission on Plan Change A, including the Council. In the case where a person could gain advantage in trade competition through a submission, then the person may only do so if the person is directly affected by an effect of the plan change that adversely affects the environment; and does not relate to trade competition or the effects of trade competition.

Submissions must be in writing in the format prescribed by Form 5 in the Resource Management (Forms) Regulations 2003 or similar, including submissions which are lodged by email, and state whether or not you wish to be heard on your submission. Submissions by way of email do not require a signature.
Submission forms are available at the offices listed below or can be downloaded from Council’s website www.pncc.govt.nz and must be lodged with the Council by one of the following options:

**Posted/Emailed to:**
Team Leader – Governance and Legal
Strategy & Planning
Palmerston North City Council
Private Bag 11-034
PALMERSTON NORTH

Email: submission@pncc.govt.nz

**Delivered to:**
Team Leader – Governance and Legal
Strategy & Planning
c/- Customer Service Centre
Palmerston North City Council
The Square,
PALMERSTON NORTH

The closing date for lodging submissions to Plan Change A is **4pm, Thursday 11 October 2018.**

Once the closing date for submissions has passed, Council will prepare and publicly notify a summary of decisions requested by submitters. All the submissions will be available for public inspection. There will be an opportunity for any person representing a relevant aspect of the public interest; any person who has an interest in the proposal greater than the general public has; and the Council to make a further submission in support of, or in opposition to, any of these submissions. A Council hearing for Plan Change A will be arranged to consider all submissions, and issue decisions on the matters raised. Anyone who has made a submission and indicated that they wish to be heard will have the right to attend the hearing and present their submission. On receiving notice of Council’s decision on their submission, any person who disagrees with or is dissatisfied with the decision made may refer the decision to the Environment Court.

Heather Shotter, Chief Executive
(for Palmerston North City Council)
Dated in Palmerston North this12th day of September 2018