

Update to Elected Members via email - 9 April 2018

Tēnā koutou

Update on the legal challenges facing the Auckland Council Provisional Local Alcohol Policy.

As noted in the previous email sent on 7 March 2018; the policy is subject to both an appeal to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority and judicial review in the High Court.

On 5 April 2018 the High Court advised that the judicial review proceedings have been set down for a **seven day hearing starting on 29 April 2019.**

Judicial review appellants have also applied for a stay of proceedings of the appeals to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority until after the judicial review proceedings have been completed. This application is to be heard by the High Court on 12 April 2018.

- If the stay of proceedings is granted, then the appeals would not be considered until after April 2019 at the earliest. The Auckland Council Local Alcohol Policy would not be brought into force for at least another 18 months.
- If the stay of proceeding is not granted, then the council will seek the earliest practical date for the appeals to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority to be heard by the Authority.

Staff will provide a further update on the court proceedings after the outcome of the stay application is received.

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