## PROPOSED BROTHELS (LOCATION AND COMMERCIAL SEXUAL SERVICES SIGNAGE) BYLAW 2012 HEARINGS PANEL 25. 2. 2013

Proposed Brothels (Location and Commercial Sexual Services Signage) Bylaw 2012
Hearings Panel Consideration Meeting
was held in the No. 2 Committee Room
on 25 February 2013 at 2pm.

**PRESENT:** Councillor Helen Broughton (Chairperson)

Councillors Ngaire Button, Jimmy Chen and Glenn Livingstone

IN ATTENDANCE: Paula Smith, Chairperson of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board

and Jeremy Agar, Deputy Chairperson of Lyttelton/Mt Herbert

**Community Board** 

## 1. DEPUTATIONS BY APPOINTMENT

The Hearings Panel received a deputation from Paula Smith, the Chairperson of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board and Jeremy Agar, Deputy Chairperson of the Lyttelton/Mt Herbert Community Board. Ms. Smith reiterated the view of the Board that there are no appropriate areas in Lyttelton for commercial brothels. Ms Smith raised the issue of the proposed school merger of Lyttelton West and Lyttelton Main schools which would result in more foot traffic as children commute to school through the proposed area.

The Hearings Panel received a deputation from Ken Maynard as representative of the Lyttelton Community Association Incorporated. Mr Maynard conveyed the Association's support of the plan to restrict the location and signage of commercial brothels but consider there is no suitable area for commercial brothels in Lyttelton. Mr Maynard acknowledged the existence of prostitution in Lyttelton but feels this activity is best suited for small owner operated brothels rather than commercial facilities.

## 2. CONSIDERATION

Councillor Livingstone moved that:

The Hearings Panel has reconsidered the issue of commercial brothels in Lyttelton and is recommending to the Council that no commercial brothels area be provided for in Lyttelton.

The motion was seconded by Councillor Chen and on being put to the meeting was declared **carried**, the voting being as follows:

For (3): Councillors Broughton, Chen and Livingstone.

Against (1): Councillor Button.

The meeting concluded at 3.08pm.