



Christchurch City Council
MINUTES ATTACHMENTS

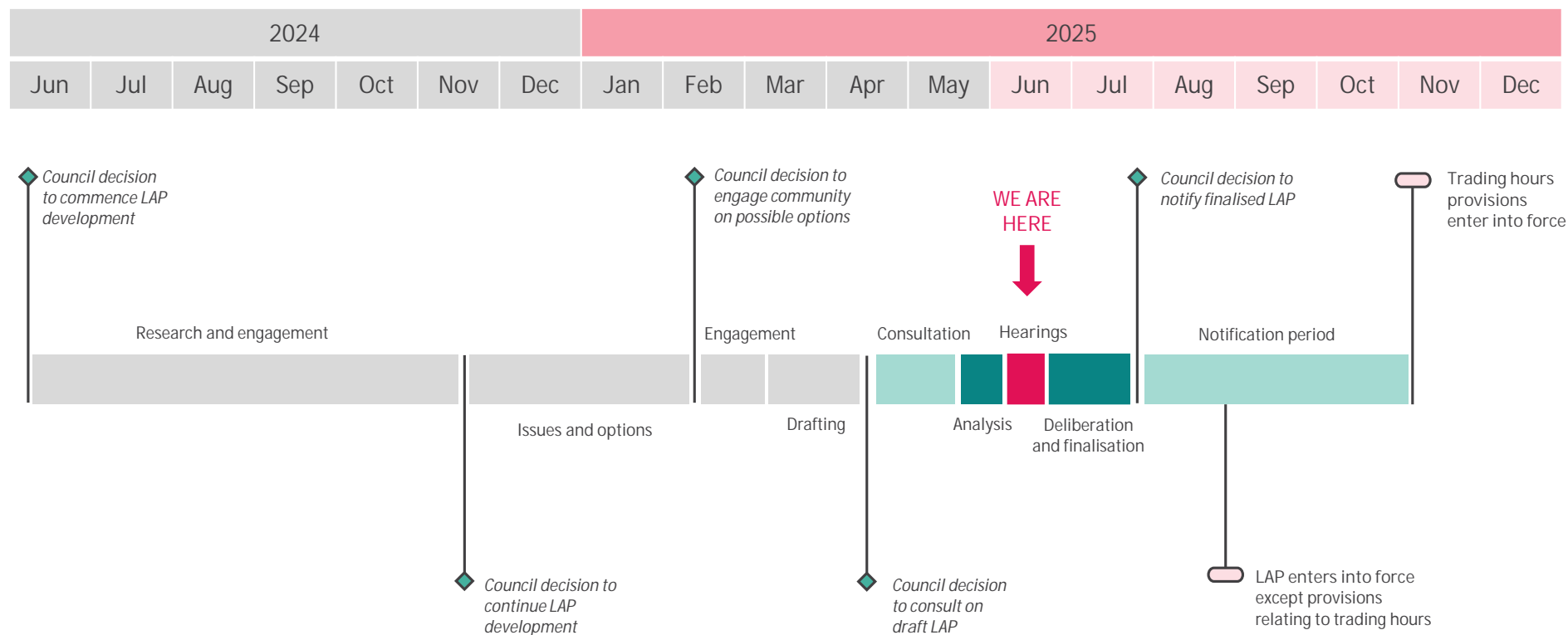
Date: Wednesday 11 June 2025
Time: 10.30am
Venue: Boardroom, Fendalton Service Centre, Corner Jeffreys and Clyde Roads, Fendalton

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Draft Local Alcohol Policy

Hearings
June 2025

The process so far...



A reminder of what we consulted on

Policy	Policy 1	Policy 2	Policy 3
	 <p>Reduce trading hours for all off-licences to 9pm daily</p>	 <p>Freeze on new off-licences in high deprivation areas</p>	 <p>Restrict new bottle stores locating near sensitive sites</p>
Who?	All off-licences	All new off-licences <i>Exemption available where primary purpose of their business is not the sale and supply of alcohol.</i>	New bottle stores <i>Exemption available where applicant can demonstrate mitigations of community concerns.</i>
What?	Reduce maximum trading hours for off-licences from 7am – 9pm, Mon-Sun	Restrict new off-licences establishing in areas of high deprivation	Restrict new bottle stores near primary & secondary schools & addiction/rehabilitation facilities.
Where?	District wide	Areas with a deprivation score of 8 - 10	District wide but different settings for Central City and Banks Peninsula

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The approach

415 submissions received

2,790 views on
Kōrero mai | Let's Talk



Special Consultative Procedure



Open 17 April to 18 May



Consultation emails sent to 7,304 stakeholders



2 community meetings, 1 webinar



Print advertising campaign in local papers



Printed material in all libraries and service centres,
stands in libraries in or adjacent to high dep. areas

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Who did we hear from?



415 consultation responses received, including:



366 from individuals



49 from organisations



5 from Community Boards



6 from community groups



40 from licence holders

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What we've heard

- There are a wide range of views about the impact that alcohol has on communities in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula and the most appropriate way to address this; we heard divided views from the community that often were strong on each side.
- Our communities are concerned about the impacts that alcohol related harm has; some are concerned about the ease with which alcohol can be accessed in the city and the disproportionate impact this has on vulnerable communities and individuals.
- There is a desire for a proportionate and effective approach to addressing alcohol related harm in Christchurch and Banks Peninsula.
- Consistent with feedback and themes that we've seen in previous engagement.

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Local Alcohol Policy

Dr Ruth Spearing
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University of Otago

Foetal Alcohol Syndrome

- Foetal Alcohol Spectrum Disorder (FASD) devastating lifelong, irreversible neurodevelopmental disorder caused by exposure to alcohol before birth
- THE leading cause of preventable intellectual disabilities in NZ
- Costs NZ about \$4.8 billion per year, more than 1/2 of the estimated cost of alcohol harm in New Zealand per year (\$9.1 billion)

F A S D

- Estimated 1800-3000 babies born with FASD each year in NZ
- Experience complex behavioural, learning, intellectual and physical problems that persist throughout their lives
- This results in poor educational and employment outcomes, increased benefit dependence, interaction with the criminal justice system and with alcohol, drug and mental health services as well as an increased early death rate

These individuals have no “freedom of choice”

- International data confirms that longer opening hours leads to increased alcohol consumption, and increased alcohol consumption is known to lead to more FASD
- Common sense indicates that late night sales of alcohol relates to increase potentially unplanned / unprotected sex
- I don't believe the LAP goes far enough in looking at the closing hours of ALL places that sell alcohol
- Please think of FASD when thinking about the impacts of your policies

International data shows closing hours the most important aspect of reducing alcohol harm

- Closing hours is a very powerful way of reducing risks from alcohol – NZ paper by O'Connor showed reduced harm when closing was reduced to even 4 am from no closing times
- I strongly support the Council's proposal to reduce the off licence trading hours to 9 pm but I would like to see their opening delayed to 9am
- I would like to see central city bars/nightclubs closing at 2 am and suburban ones at midnight

Density of Off Licences Important for reducing harm – and called for by people in areas of Chch

- I strongly support the proposal for no new off licences in decile 8-10 but believe this should include decile 7 as well – there is a risk otherwise that there will be an increased density in these areas, which is already high
- I support the restriction of the bottle stores from within 200m of schools and addiction/rehabilitation centres but believe that for bottle stores this should include the 4 Avenues area, and for outside this area, it should also include bars and nightclubs
- AND should include other areas where there is a high density of young people eg the Bus Exchange

**Thank you for the chance to present on this
very important topic**



**Please think of these kids and other like them when
you make your decisions**

Police Alcohol Harm Data

National Alcohol Harm Viewer

Within 1.2km of The Cathedral

Four Avenues – Existing Premises

Previous 5 years

May 2020 to May 2025





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SUMMARY

1. This report is to inform the Canterbury District Alcohol Harm Prevention Team in relation to The central business District, within the Four Avenues, Christchurch.
2. Alcohol a Contributing Factor (ACF) data was drawn from the Police NIA and CARD systems from the period of 4 years. Event types are those at the time of closure. 2020 and 2025 are incomplete years.
3. It is important to note that both the 2019-2020 and the 2020-2021 periods include data from COVID-19 Alert Level 3 and Alert Level 4 lockdowns, likely effecting ACF demand for alcohol related event types.
4. The area for the stats, was limited to a one kilometre radius surrounding this location.
5. The data analysed offence/incident types that have had alcohol confirmed as a contributing Factor to the incident.
6. This is now known as AFC data (Alcohol Contributing Factor).

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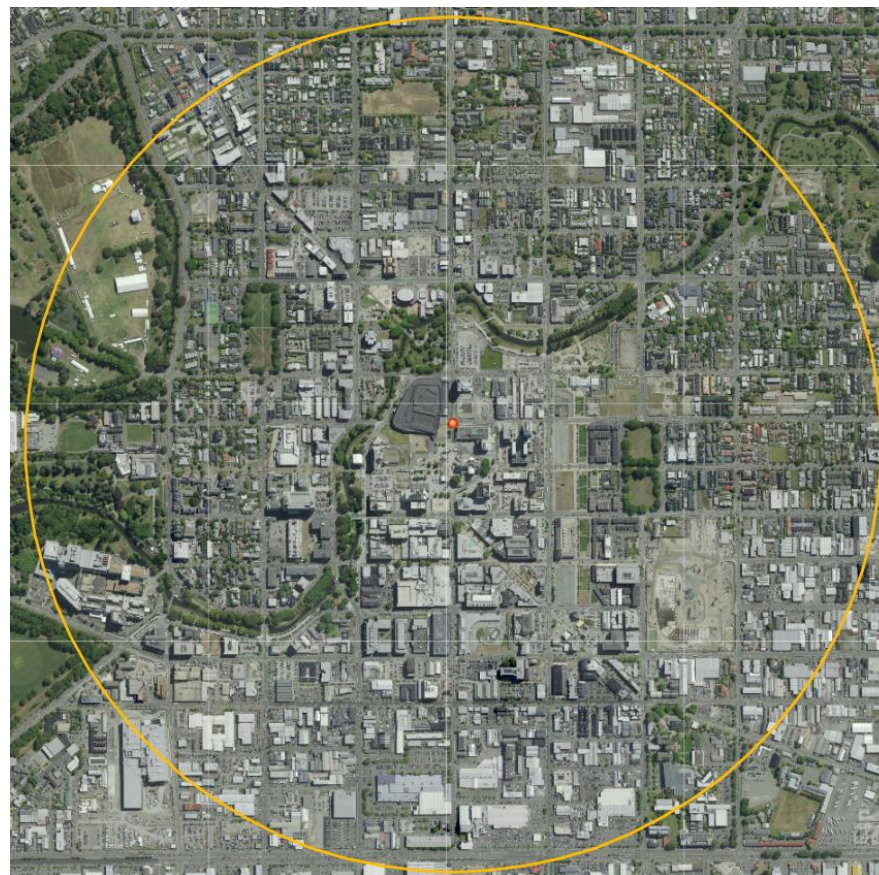
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Four Avenue Business District

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Schools

St Michael's Church School	564.21 m
Ao Tawhiti Unlimited Discovery	615.36 m
The Cathedral Grammar School	706.48 m
Christ's College	775.54 m
St Mary's School (Christchurch)	826.2 m
Christchurch East School	948.31 m

Early Childhood Educators

Millie's House - Armagh St	284.61 m
Kindercare Learning Centres - Armagh	655.19 m
BestStart Salisbury Street	659.14 m
The Cathedral Grammar School Pre-School	696.74 m
Grow Active Welles St	760.77 m
Ara Early Learning Centre	984.75 m
Te Waka Huruurumanu ki Otautahi Early Learning Centre	1,079.37 m

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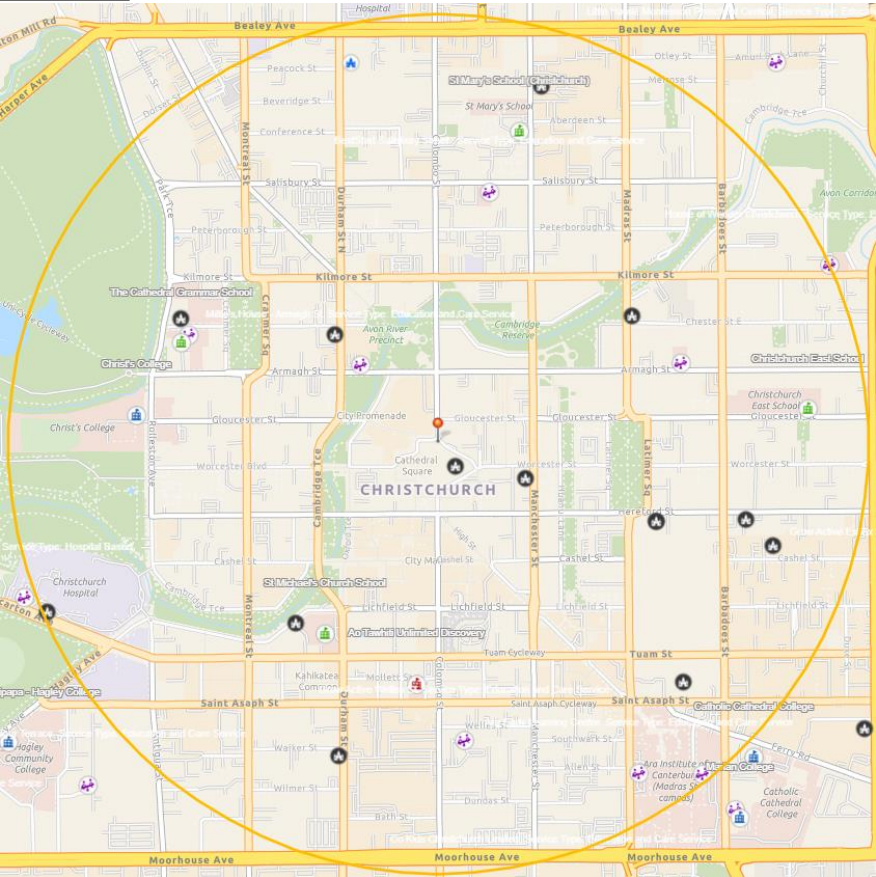
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- Secondary (Year 7-10)
- Intermediate
- Primary
- Early Childhood Educators
- RELIGIOUS

Places Of Worship (16)

: CHRISTCHURCH CATHEDRAL	72.45 m
: TRINITY CHURCH	238.66 m
: ALDERSGATE CHURCH	384.76 m
: SAINT MICHAELS AND ALL ...	585.37 m
: ST JOHN CHURCH OFFICES	591.38 m
: TRANSITIONAL CATHEDRA...	591.38 m
: OXFORD TERRACE BAPTIST...	594.55 m
: CATHEDRAL GRAMMAR SC...	732.83 m
: CHRISTCHURCH CITY MISSIO...	810.6 m
: MAJESTIC CHURCH	837.37 m
: GRACE VINEYARD CHURCH	874.83 m
: ELIM CHURCH CASHEL STR...	893.62 m
: CITY CHURCH	953.11 m
: CANTERBURY HEBREW CO...	999.63 m
: EVANGELISTIC CHURCH OF ...	1,027 m
: CHRISTCHURCH HOSPITA...	1,088.09 m

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SENSITIVE SITES



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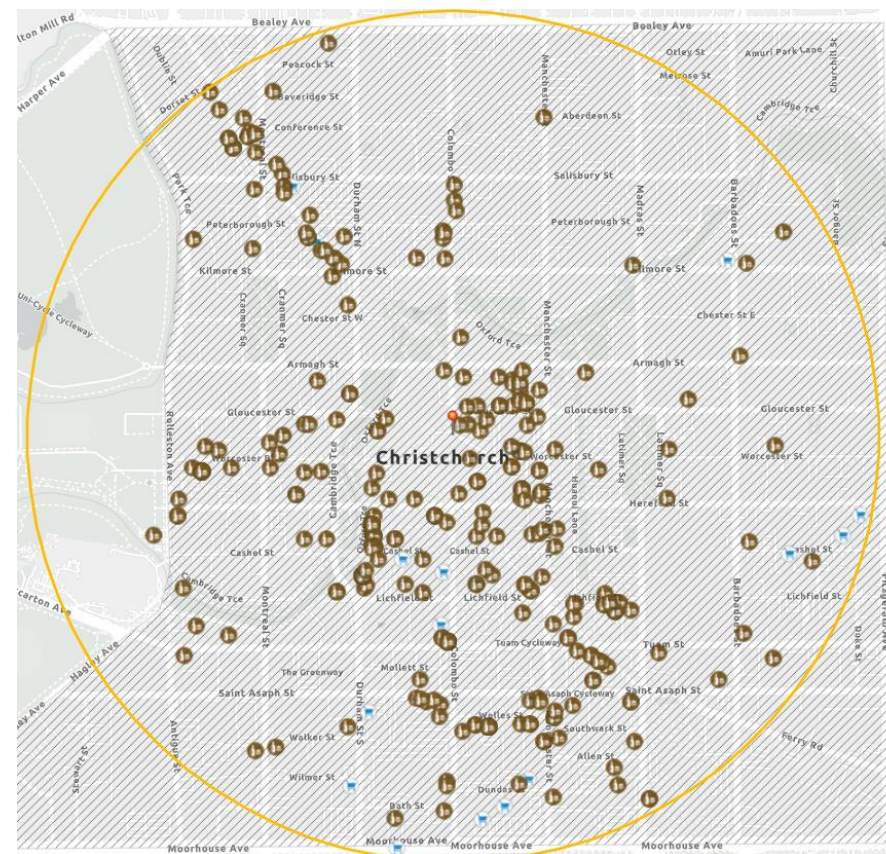


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LICENCED PREMISES IN AREA (1km Radius)

Off-licenced premises locations (NIA data) (23)

On and club-licenced premises locations (NIA data) (298)



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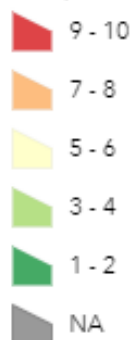


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DEPRIVATION MAP

New Zealand Census 2023 Deprivation Index by SA1

NZDep2023



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On and club-licensed premises locations (NIA data)

On-Licensed

Off-licensed premises locations (NIA data)

Off-Licensed

LEGEND

NIA Occurrences by Code - Individually

- 01 - HOMICIDE AND RELATED OFFENCES
- 02 - ACTS INTENDED TO CAUSE INJURY
- 03 - SEXUAL ASSAULT AND RELATED OFFENCES
- 04 - DANGEROUS OR NEGLIGENT ACTS ENDANGERING PERSONS
- 05 - ABDUCTION, HARASSMENT AND OTHER RELATED OFFENCES AGAINST A PERSON
- 06 - ROBBERY, EXTORTION AND RELATED OFFENCES
- 07 - UNLAWFUL ENTRY WITH INTENT/BURGLARY, BREAK AND ENTER
- 08 - THEFT AND RELATED OFFENCES
- 09 - FRAUD, DECEPTION AND RELATED OFFENCES
- 10 - ILLICIT DRUG OFFENCES
- 11 - PROHIBITED AND REGULATED WEAPONS AND EXPLOSIVES OFFENCES
- 12 - PROPERTY DAMAGE AND ENVIRONMENTAL POLLUTION
- 13 - PUBLIC ORDER OFFENCES
- 14 - TRAFFIC AND VEHICLE REGULATORY OFFENCES
- 15 - OFFENCES AGAINST JUSTICE PROCEDURES, GOVT SEC AND GOVT OPS
- 16 - MISCELLANEOUS OFFENCES
- 1 - UNKNOWN ANZSOC DIVISION
- Other

CARD Events by Closure Type - Individually

- 1210 - Kidnapping And Abduction
- 1310 - Robbery
- 1410 - Grievous Assaults
- 1510 - Serious Assaults
- 1640 - Minor Assaults
- 1710 - Intimidation/Threats
- 1820 - Unlawful Assembly
- 1840 - Harassment
- 1A - Alarm
- 1C - Car/Person Acting Suspiciously
- 1F - Assist Fire/Ambulance/Traffic
- 1G - Solvent Abuse
- 1H - Drunk Home
- 1I - Blockage/Breakdown On Highway
- 1K - Drunk Custody/Detox Centre
- 1L - Land Rescue
- 1M - Mental Health
- 1N - Noise Control
- 1P - Premises Insecure
- 1R - Breach Of The Peace
- 1U - Traffic Incident
- 1V - Vehicle Collision
- 1VA - Vehicle Collision - Autonomous Alert
- 1W - Water/Sea Rescue/Emergency
- 1X - Threatens/Attempts Suicide
- 1Z - Other Incident
- 2210 - Sexual Affronts
- 2630 - Sexual Attacks
- 2650 - Rape
- 2810 - Immoral Behaviour
- 2960 - Indecent Videos
- 2A - Advise Relatives
- 2C - Civil Dispute
- 2I - Information
- 2K - Found Property
- 2L - Lost Property
- 2M - Missing Person
- 2O - Court Orders
- 2P - Public Relations
- 2R - Recovery Motor Vehicle
- 2S - Summons
- 2T - Warrant To Arrest/Fines Enforce
- 2U - Warrant Of Seizure
- 2W - Arrest Warrant (Other)
- 2Y - Stock/Animals
- 4C - Correspondence/Counter
- 4D - Demonstration Duty
- 4E - Escort Duty
- 4F - Forensic Examination
- 4H - Photography Job
- 4L - Logistics/Staff Transport
- 4P - Public Entertainment Duty
- 4Q - Enquiry/Investigation
- 4X - Execute Search Warrant
- 5110 - Arson
- 5120 - Property Damage
- 5134 - Wilful Damage - Graffiti
- 5210 - Endangering/Interfering
- 5F - Family Harm
- 5H - Em Bail Visit/Check
- 5K - Bail Check
- 6110 - Trespass
- 6220 - Littering
- 6390 - Animal Welfare Offences
- 6520 - Postal/Rail/Fire Service Abuses
- 6550 - Telephone Offences
- 6820 - Firearms Offences
- 6D - Bail Breach
- 6E - Em Bail Breach
- 2Z - Other Service Request/Response
- 3110 - Drugs (Not Cannabis)
- 3210 - Drugs (Cannabis Only)
- 3518 - Health Act Breach
- 3530 - Disorder
- 3710 - Child Abuse
- 3850 - Domestic Violence
- 3910 - Liquor Offences
- 3985 - Breach Of Local Council Liquor Ban
- 3MC - Directed Patrol Carpark
- 3T - Turnover
- 3Z - Other Preventive Task
- 4120 - Burglary
- 4211 - Car Conversion
- 4220 - Interference With Cars
- 4320 - Theft Ex Shop
- 4340 - Theft Ex Car
- 4370 - General Theft
- 4378 - Theft Of Boat
- 4530 - Fraud
- 4A - Attend Scene/Meeting/Course/Other
- 6I - Unauthorised Street And Drag Racing
- 6S - Police Safety Orders
- 6W - Operation Washington
- 6Y - Unaccompanied Child Or Young Person
- 7120 - Justice Offences
- 7130 - Escapes Custody
- 7410 - Race Relations
- 7420 - Blood Samples
- 7610 - Bylaw Breaches
- 7650 - Dog Control
- 8P* - Pandemic-Related
- AMB2POL - Ambulance Request Police Assist
- FIR2POL - Fire Request Police Assist
- NATSEC - National Security
- NDDTM - Non Decipherable Deaf Text Message
- NSEC - No Speech Emergency Call
- others

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procedures applicable to its security classification.
months imprisonment, or a fine of \$2000.

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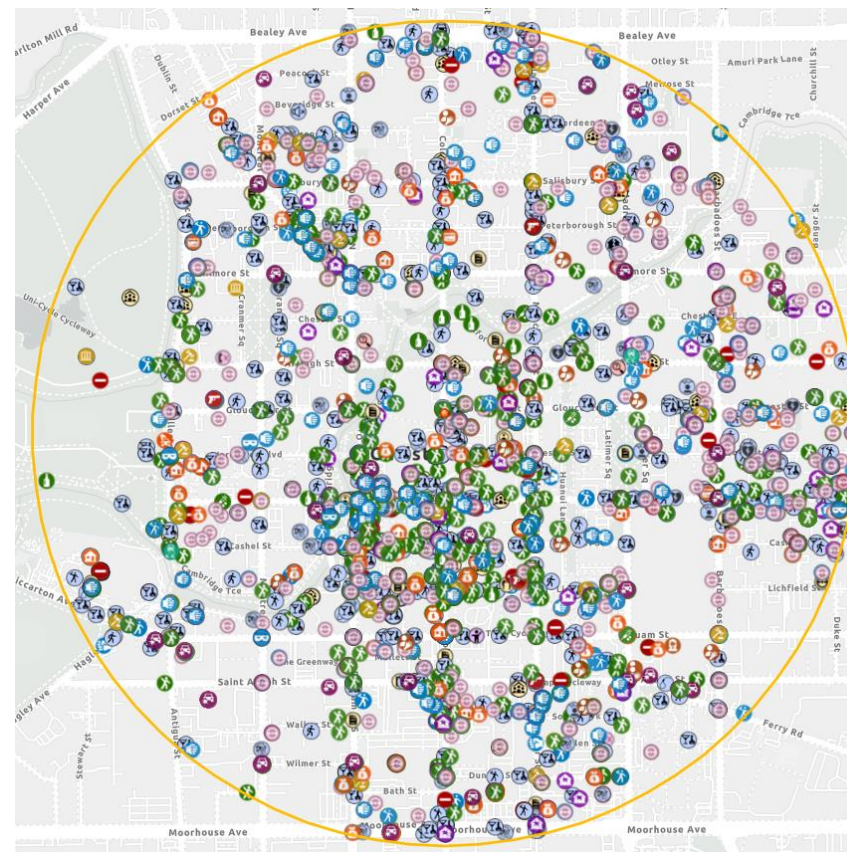
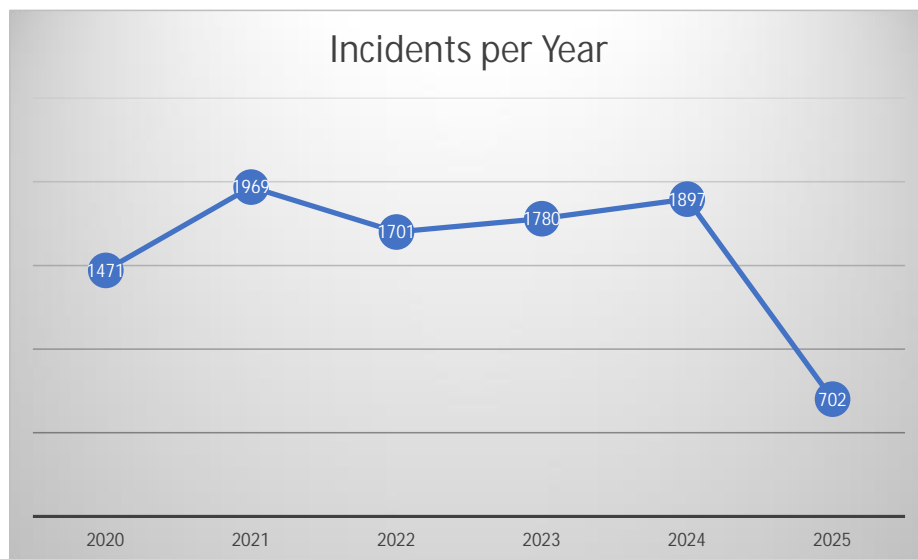
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ALCOHOL CONTRIBUTING FACTORS

May 2020 – May 2025
9520 incidents over this time

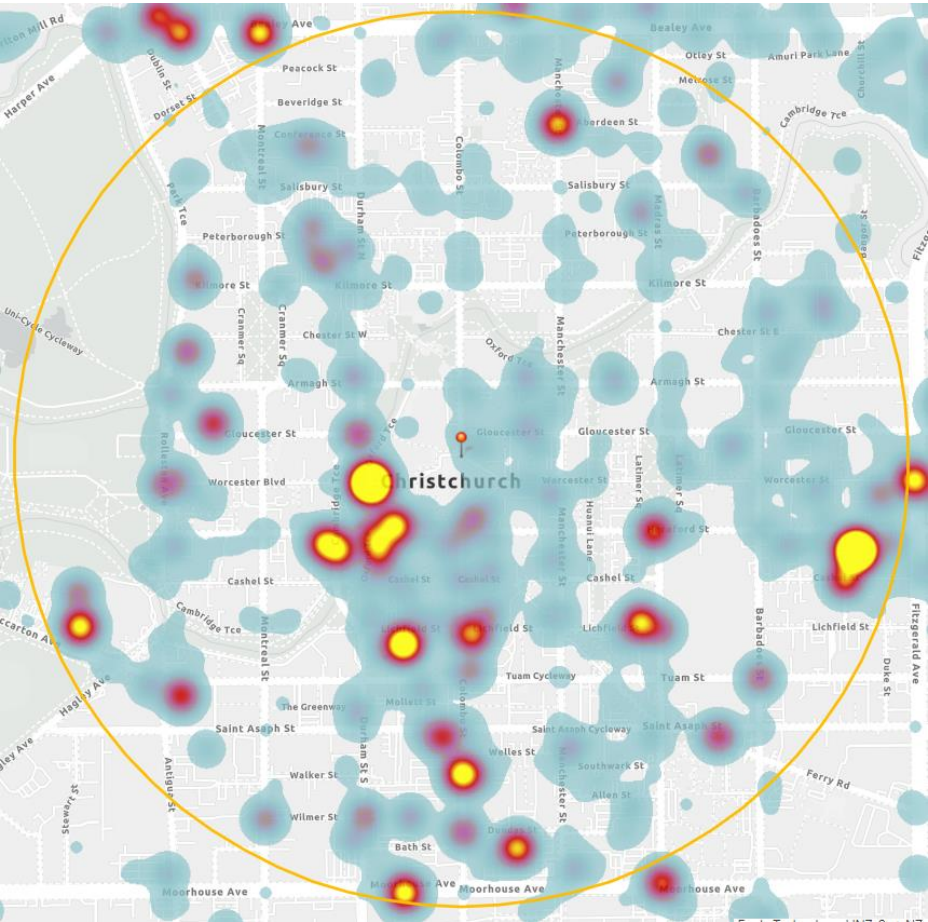
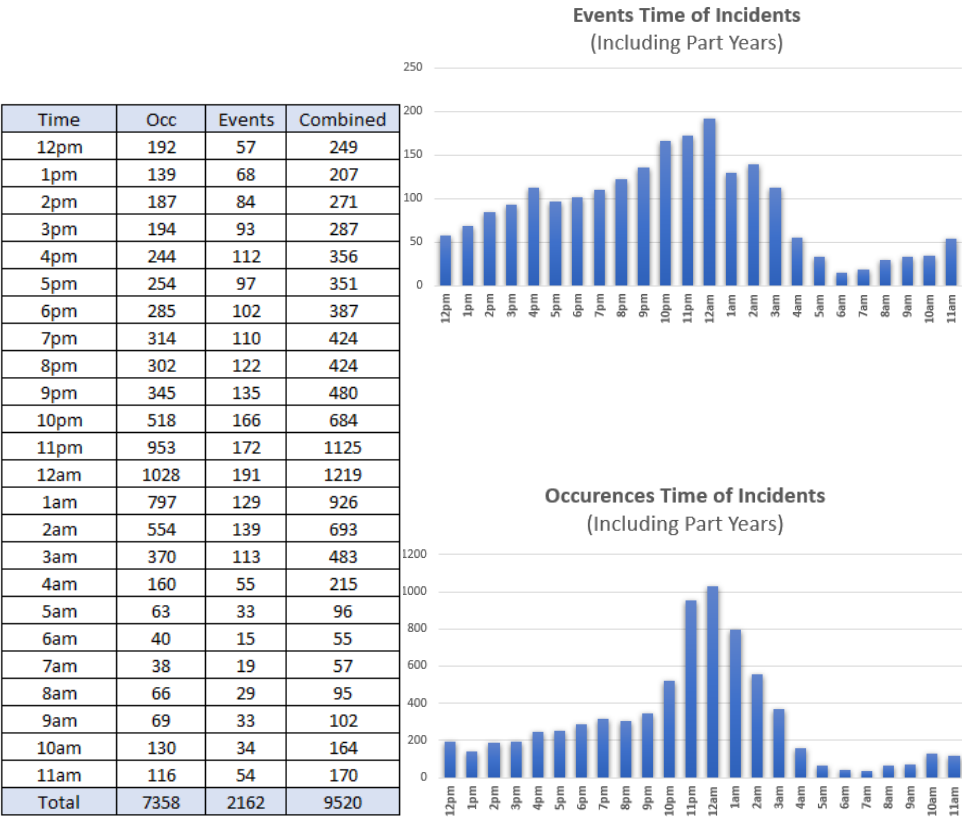


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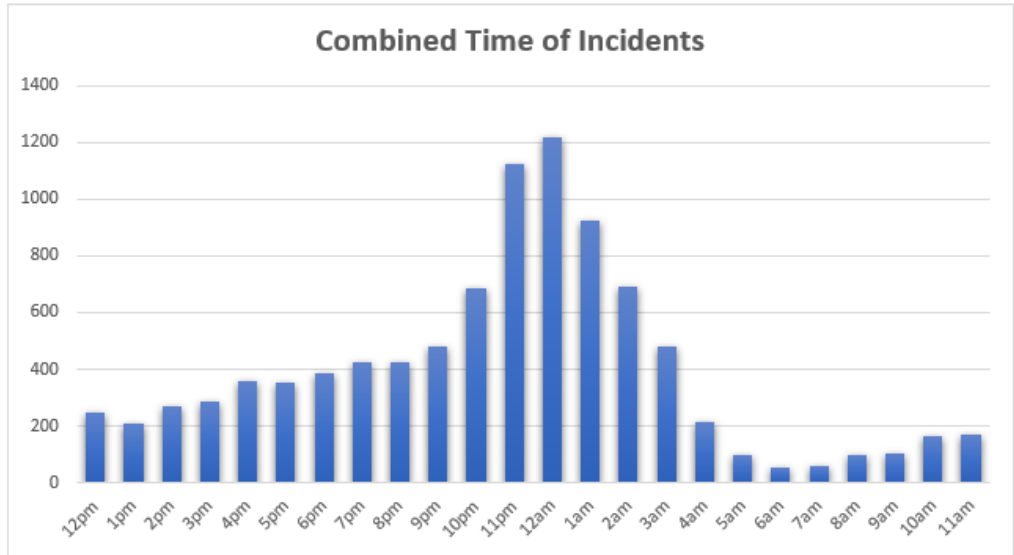
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ACF - BY TIME OF DAY



ACF in the area has a consistent demand between 10pm-2am which peaks at 12am.
ACF are at their lowest in the morning between 5am and 9am.

Time	Count
12pm	249
1pm	207
2pm	271
3pm	287
4pm	356
5pm	351
6pm	387
7pm	424
8pm	424
9pm	480
10pm	684
11pm	1125
12am	1219
1am	926
2am	693
3am	483
4am	215
5am	96
6am	55
7am	57
8am	95
9am	102
10am	164
11am	170
Total	9520

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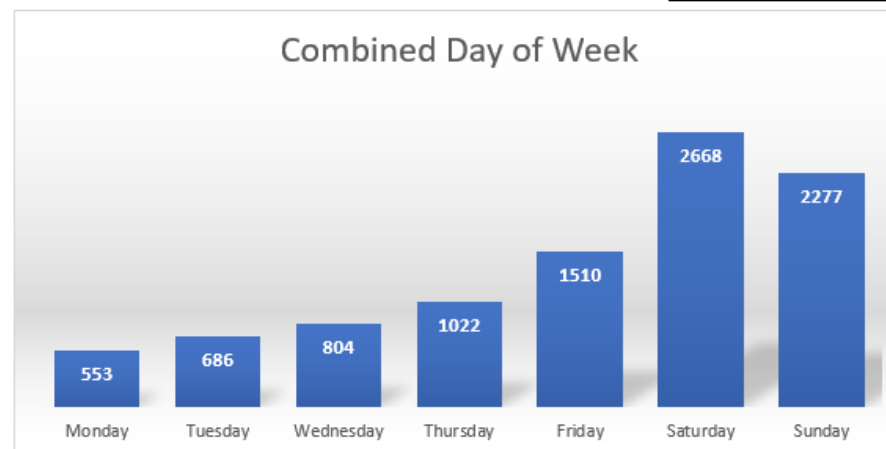


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ACF - BY DAY



Day	Count
Monday	553
Tuesday	686
Wednesday	804
Thursday	1022
Friday	1510
Saturday	2668
Sunday	2277
Total	9520



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National Public Health Service

Presentation to Christchurch City Council on their
Draft Local Alcohol Policy
11th June 2025

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New Zealand Government

Health New Zealand
Te Whatu Ora

Presenters

Dr Cheryl Brunton, Medical Officer of Health

Dr Ruth Spearing, Haematologist

Professor Joe Boden, Researcher

Dr Laura Joyce, Emergency Medicine Specialist

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New Zealand Government

Health New Zealand
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Alcohol is no ordinary commodity

- Alcohol harm is not confined to people who drink alcohol or to those who drink irresponsibly or to intoxication
- Alcohol causes both acute and chronic harmful effects across the lifespan – there is no risk-free dose of alcohol
- Evidence-based Local Alcohol Policies are an important tool in reducing the harm caused by alcohol in our communities

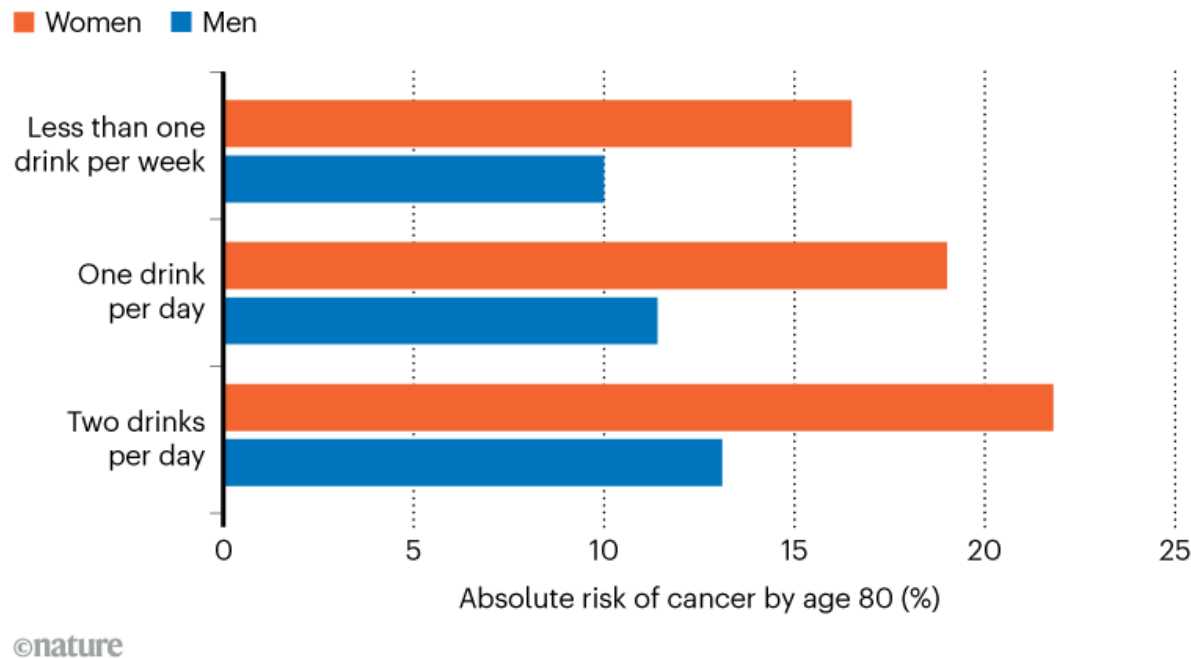
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Alcohol and Cancer

- International Agency for Research on Cancer classified alcohol as a **Group 1 (highest risk) carcinogen** in 1987
- Same category as smoking and asbestos
- Most clearly associated with mouth, throat, oesophagus, breast and bowel – almost certainly also contributes to other cancers
- Alcohol is broken down into acetaldehyde, a toxin that damages DNA

A woman drinking 2 drinks a day had 30% higher risk of cancer than those drinking < 1 drink per week



We have a big problem with mental health and suicide in Aotearoa New Zealand

- About 1/3 of adults in Aotearoa NZ experience **depression** or **anxiety** (New Zealand Health Survey 2022/3)
- Aotearoa NZ has the **highest youth suicide rate** in the OECD (UNICEF, 2025)
- **Alcohol** consumption plays a **key role** in **depression, anxiety and suicidal behaviour**

Alcohol is a cause of mental health disorders

- Alcohol is a **cause** of major depression: problem drinking **doubles** the risk of developing **major depression** (Boden & Fergusson, Christchurch Health and Development Study, 2011)
- Alcohol is also a **cause** of suicidal behaviour: severe alcohol use disorder increases the risk of **suicidal behaviour** by **50%** (Crossin et al, Christchurch Health and Development Study, 2022)
- **One quarter** of all **suicide attempts** involve **acute alcohol use**

How can we reduce the incidence of mental health disorders caused by alcohol?

- One key to reducing mental health disorders in the population is to **reduce the amount of alcohol that is being consumed** (Babor, 2022)
- The proposed Christchurch Local Alcohol Policy has a key component to accomplish this: reducing the availability of alcohol by...
 - Reducing hours where alcohol is available for sale (off-license)
 - Reducing the density of licensed premises
- The LAP will reduce alcohol consumption, and reduce the incidence of major depression and suicidal behaviour in the Christchurch area

In Aotearoa NZ, in just one year, alcohol accounted for

901 deaths

1,250 cancers

30,000 hospitalisations

129,000 ACC claims



Injuries account for

44% of all alcohol-attributable hospitalisations

1/3 of all alcohol-attributable deaths

Presenting to ED
with an injury
while intoxicated

5x risk of death
in following year



Alcohol affects EVERY person in the ED

Not only those who are intoxicated

The National Public Health Service:

- Strongly supports the proposed reduction in trading hours for off-licenses to 9.00pm
- Also recommends a reduction in trading hours for on-licences to 3.00am (CCZ and entertainment precincts) and 1.00am (suburbs)
- Strongly supports the freeze on new off-licences in high deprivation areas (and suggests this should include deciles 7-10)
- Supports restrictions on proximity of new bottle stores to sensitive sites (and suggests this should also include early childhood centres)
- Recommends a discretionary condition restricting external alcohol advertising and signage on all licensed premises
- Recommends the inclusion of drink serve limits (maximum 2 drinks per serve) for special licensed events (particularly large events)
- Recommends restriction of same day deliveries of alcohol after 7.00pm
- Recommends prohibition of buy now pay later services at off-licences

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SUPER LIQUOR HOLDINGS SUBMISSION

- CHRISTCHURCH DRAFT LAP -

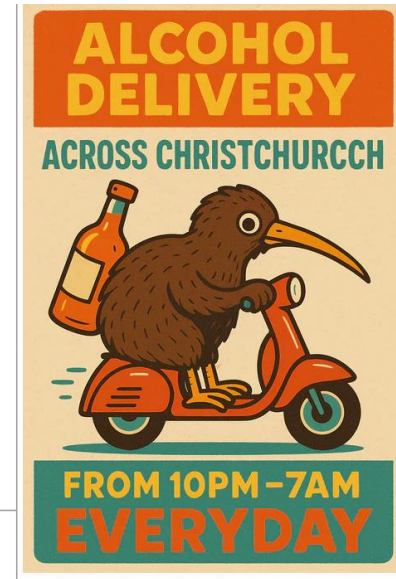


11 June 2025



MAXIMUM TRADING HOURS

1. We are open to a change in hours but must be the same for all
2. Why would Council provide an exemption for remote sellers
 - Intentionally or unintentionally?
 - Does nothing to reduce alcohol related harm
 - Shifts customer behaviour and creates a commercial advantage for remote sellers.
 - Inconsistent with the Object of the Act and what the Christchurch City Council intended for its LAP



About

We deliver in the Christchurch Area. Below is a chart outlining the areas we deliver between 10pm and 7am overnight.

Scroll down below to see our full range of products.

No refunds or returns.

Valid photo ID may be asked.

Leave at door for repeat customers

30min delivery

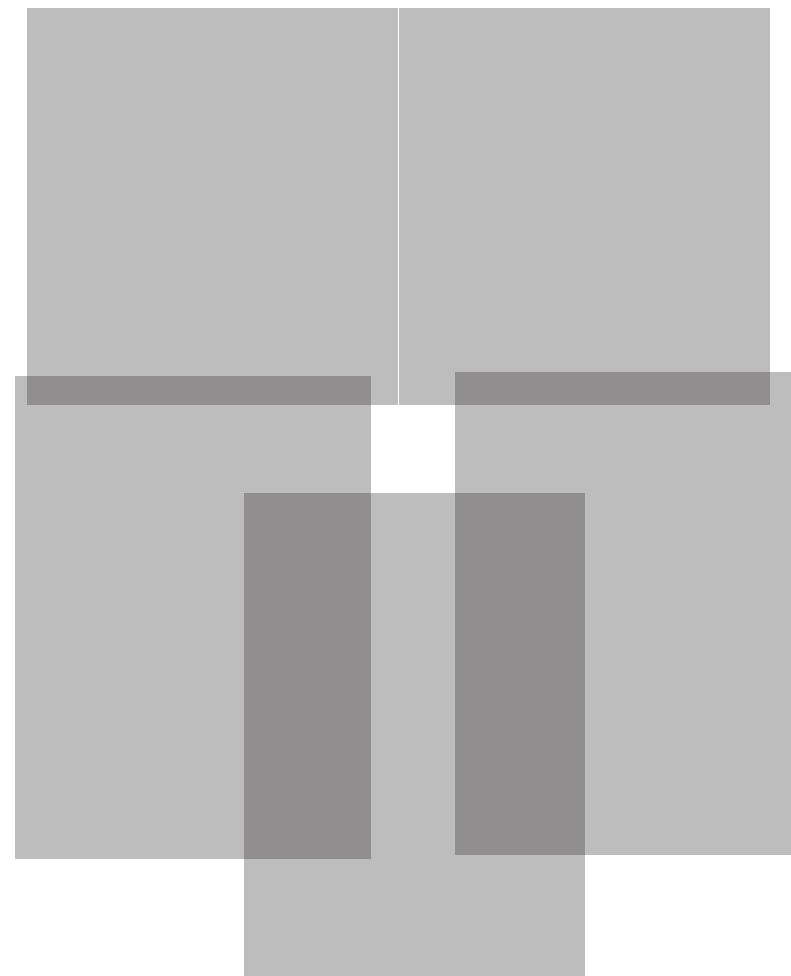
We deliver within the dotted red lines around Christchurch.

Email for more details,

MAXIMUM TRADING HOURS

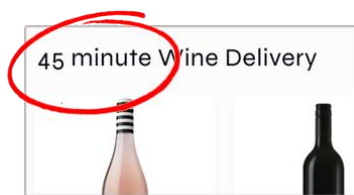
Exemption for remote sellers doesn't make sense:

1. Compliance: Remote sellers do not have the same compliance or licensing requirements as retail stores
2. Increase of Remote licenses:
 - Potential for opportunists
 - Delivery of alcohol at late hours
 - Consumption in private or public places.
3. Does not Align with the Object of the Draft LAP
The aim to reduce alcohol-related harm and promote responsible consumption.



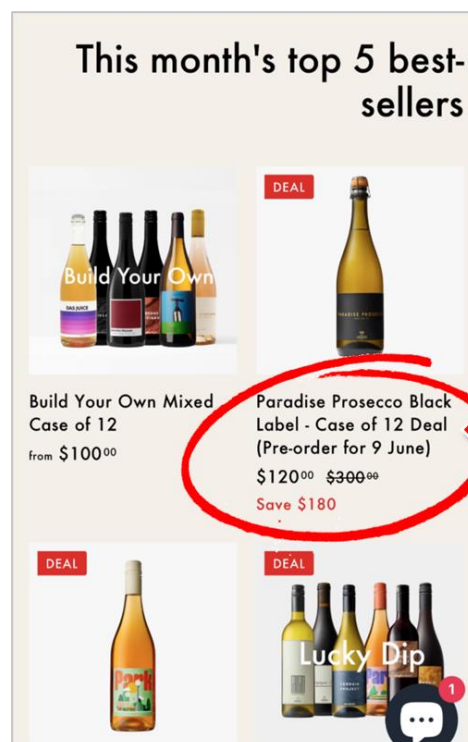
REMOTE SELLER EXAMPLES

QUICK



On-Demand Delivery:
[redacted] operates as an on-demand delivery service within city limits, ensuring orders are delivered promptly between 30 minutes to 2 hours from the time of order confirmation.

LARGE DISCOUNTS



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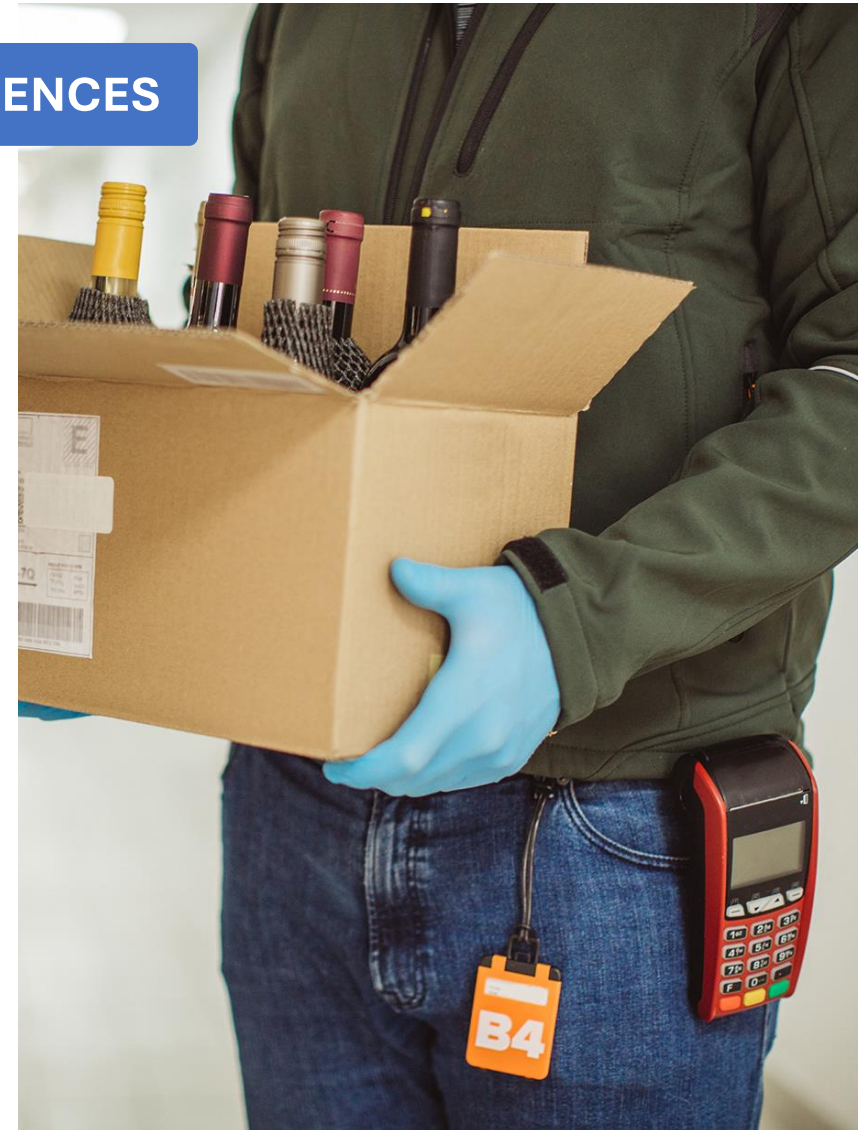
DISCRETIONARY CONDITION REMOTE OFF-LICENCES

We believe....

“The Committee may impose a condition further restricting the hours alcohol may be delivered if sold remotely from those set out in section 59 of the Act”.

For example;

Super Liquor would support a condition that deliveries by Remote Sellers would be restricted up to the closing time of Off Premise stores.



RESTRICTION ON THE LOCATION OF NEW LICENSES

1. RESTRICTION ON THE LOCATION OF NEW BOTTLE STORES

Super Liquor believes that each application should be judged on its own merits - Quality over Quantity

- Why is the following exemption offered?

“An applicant can apply for an exemption to this policy provision if they can show in their application that the primary purpose of their business is not the sale and supply of alcohol”.

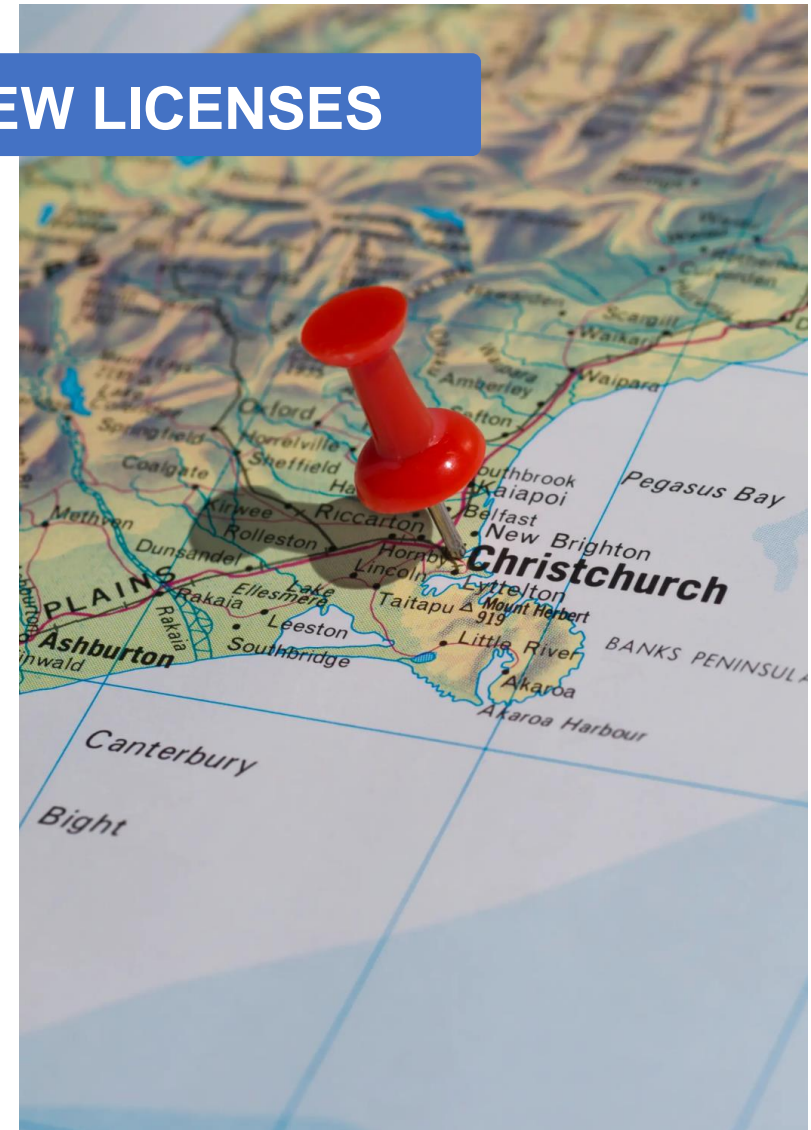


RESTRICTION ON THE LOCATION OF NEW LICENSES

2. How are the distances measured in regards to sensitive sites?

Policy requires clarification.

Marlborough Draft LAP defines this as being "this distance is to be measured as a pedestrian would travel via footpath, road reserve or any other public place"



WHY ARE ON PREMISE NOT TREATED IN THE SAME WAY?

3. Why are On Premises not treated in the same way?

The Draft LAP does not have a similar condition for ON-licences.

Why?

We are not sure why this condition is imposed solely on off premises licences.

Super Liquor submits that consistency is key when granting a licence



Thank You



46 No sale or supply outside permitted trading hours: all licences

48 Sale on Anzac Day morning, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Day restricted: off-licences

The holder of an off-licence must ensure that—

- (a) no alcohol is sold on or delivered from the premises on Good Friday, or Christmas Day, or before 1 pm on Anzac Day; and
- (b) no alcohol is sold on or delivered from the premises at any time on Easter Sunday unless it is grape wine or fruit or vegetable wine made—
 - (i) on the premises; or
 - (ii) from produce harvested from land on which the premises are situated.

Compare: 1989 No 63 s 37(1)

49 Remote sales exempted from trading hours restrictions

- (1) A remote sale of alcohol may be made at any time on any day.
- (2) Subsection (1)—
 - (a) overrides the restrictions on sales imposed by [sections 46](#) and [48](#); but
 - (b) is subject to the restrictions on delivery imposed by [sections 48](#) and [59\(1\)](#).

59 Requirements relating to remote sales by holders of off-licences

- (1) The holder of an off-licence must ensure that any alcohol sold by remote sale is not delivered to the buyer (or to any other person on the buyer's behalf) at any time after 11 pm on any day and before 6 am on the next day.
- (2) Subsection (1) applies whether the alcohol is delivered by the seller or by some other person.
- (3) The holder of an off-licence must take reasonable steps to verify that the buyer of any alcohol that the holder sells by remote sale (and, if a person other than the buyer is to receive it, to verify that the receiver) is not under the purchase age.
- (4) The holder of an off-licence takes reasonable steps to verify that the buyer of any alcohol that the holder sells by remote sale is not under the purchase age if he or she complies with a procedure declared by regulations made under this Act to be a reasonable procedure for the purposes of complying with subsection (3).
- (5) The holder of an off-licence who sells alcohol by remote sale via the Internet must comply with any regulations made under this Act requiring information to be visible on the holder's website when people browse, enter, or otherwise access it.
- (6) The holder of an off-licence who sells alcohol by remote sale by mail order must comply with any regulations made under this Act requiring information to be published in the holder's catalogues.
- (7) The holder of an off-licence who sells alcohol by remote sale by telephone must comply with any regulations made under this Act requiring information to be given to callers.

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Recap

- Council, 16 April 2025

9. Local Alcohol Policy – Proposed Draft LAP for Consultation

Council Resolved CNCL/2025/00192

That the Council:

1. Receives the information in the Local Alcohol Policy - Proposed Draft LAP for Consultation Report and attachments.
2. Notes that the decision in this report is assessed as high significance based on the Christchurch City Council's Significance and Engagement Policy.
3. Approves the proposed draft Local Alcohol Policy (Attachment A of this report) for public consultation, including any carried amendments made at the meeting.
4. Delegates responsibility to the Chief Executive to make changes to the draft Local Alcohol Policy and the consultation document to reflect any resolutions passed at the meeting.

Mayor/Deputy Mayor

Carried

COUNCIL DIRECTION



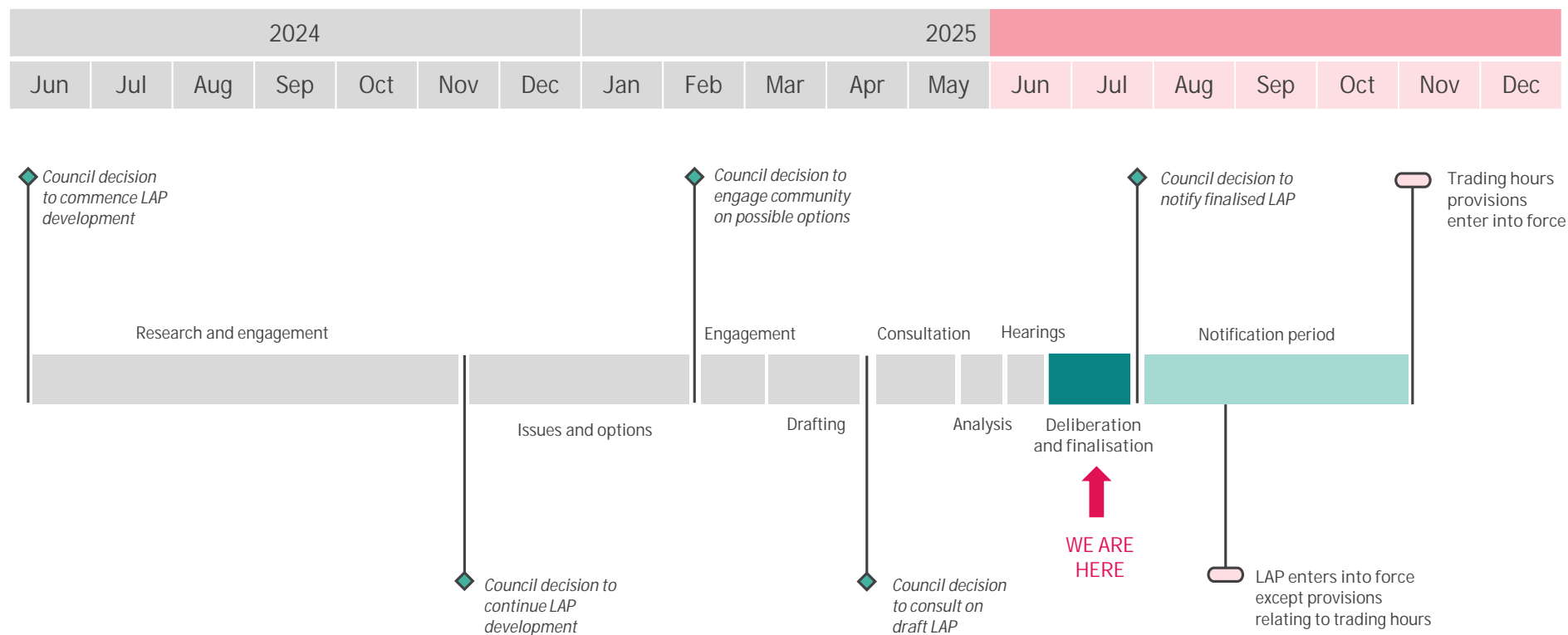
Amend draft LAP
Sensitive sites

- Bottle stores only
- 50m in Banks Peninsula

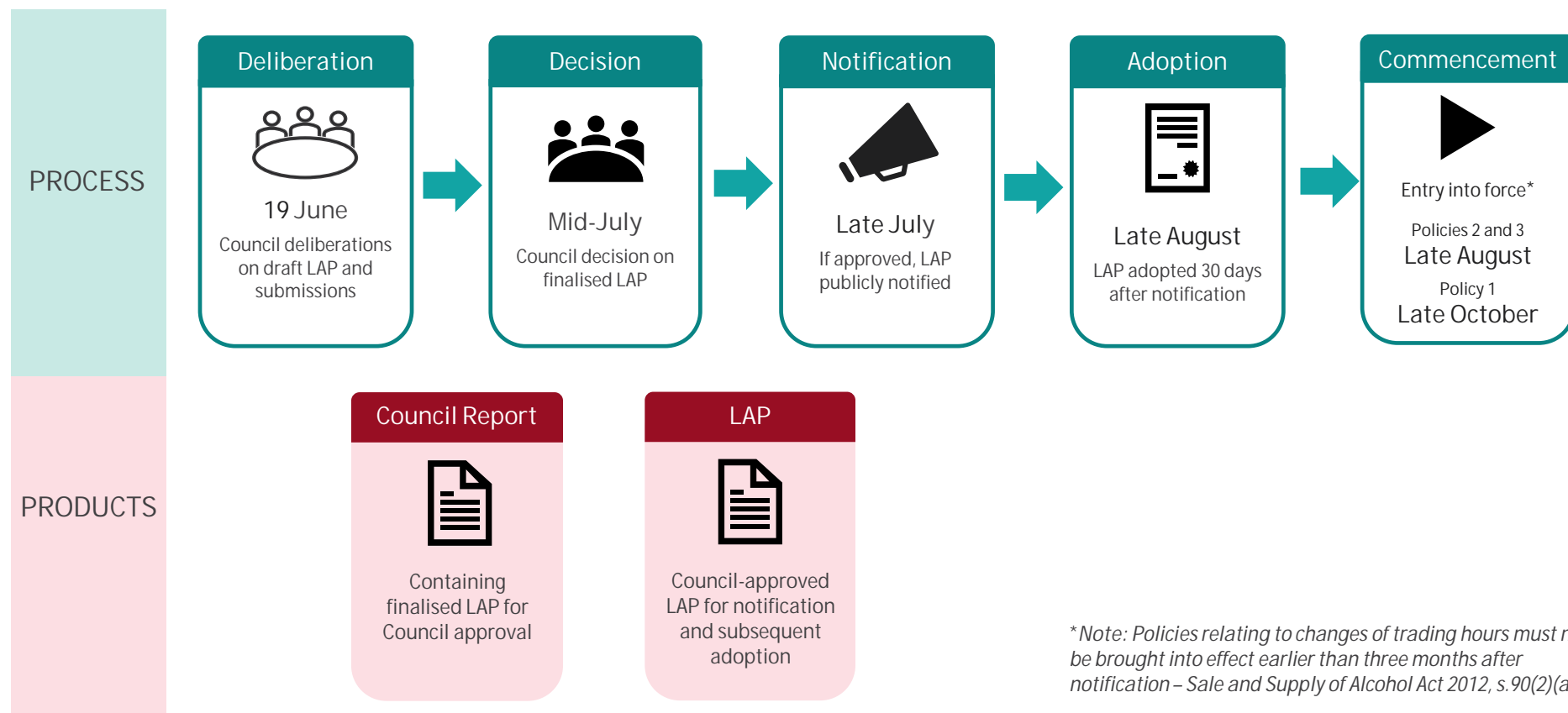


Consult community
on draft LAP (as amended)

The process so far...



Next steps



Reminder: On what we consulted

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Key considerations



Legislation

Is the policy consistent with the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012?

Object of the Act

- The sale, supply, and consumption of alcohol is undertaken safely and responsibly.
- Harm caused by inappropriate or excessive consumption of alcohol is minimised.

Scope

- Must relate to alcohol licensing.



Evidence

What does our research show?



Community preferences

Does the policy align with the views and preferences of our community?



Proportionality

Is the policy a proportionate response to the issue being addressed?



Practicality

Can the policy be understood and used/applied easily?

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Who did we hear from?



415 submissions received, including:



366 from individuals



49 from organisations



5 from Community Boards



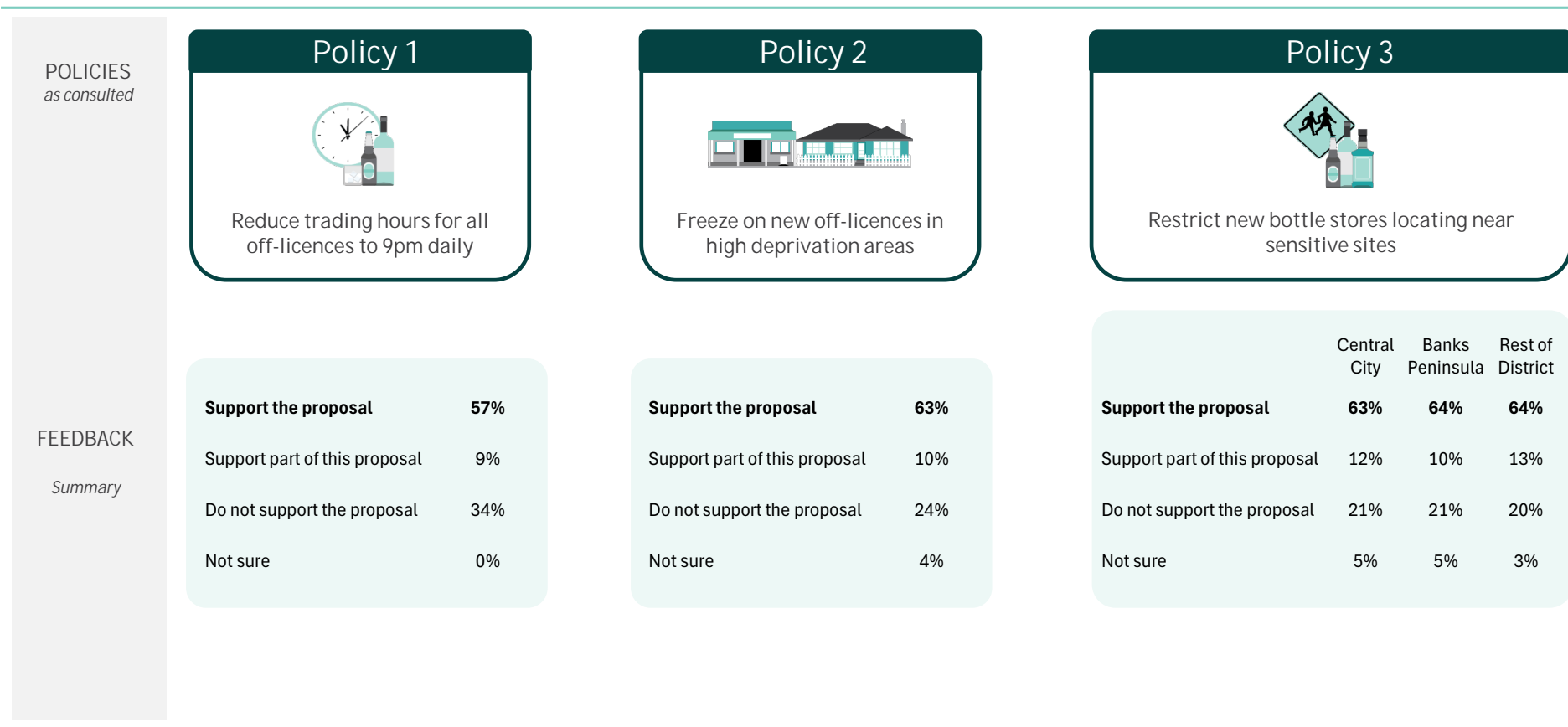
6 from community groups



40 from licence holders

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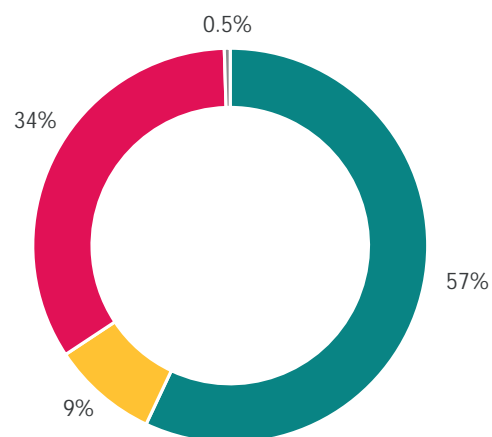
Overview: Support for the policies as consulted



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Policy 1 Reducing Off-Licence Trading Hours

Do you support the proposal to reduce all off-licensed retailers' maximum trading hours to 9pm across Christchurch and Banks Peninsula?



■ Support the proposal ■ Support part of this proposal
■ Do not support the proposal ■ Not sure

Ratio

For every seven submitters who supported the proposed settings, one suggested changes to the proposed maximum trading hours.

Support

- Feel alcohol is already too readily available
- Support for settings that will reduce late night harm & nuisance and make communities safer
- Concern that the current rules enable late night top ups, often made when judgement is already impaired

Support Part

Generally supported the intent, but:

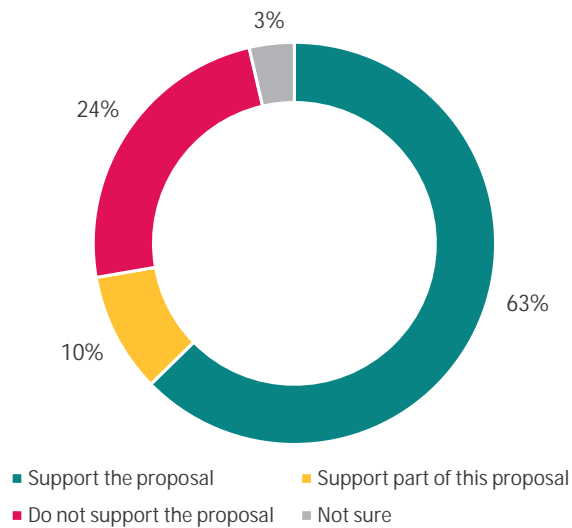
- Suggested changes to the maximum trading hours
- Asked for consistent rules for all off licences (including remote sellers)
- Asked for the policy to be more restrictive (e.g. address morning hours)

Oppose

- Overreach from the Council
- Adults should be free to decide when they purchase and consume alcohol
- Questioned whether it would have any meaningful impact
- Concerned about the impacts on business

Policy 2 Freeze on new off-licences in high deprivation areas

Do you support a freeze on granting an off-licence to new premises in areas that service high deprivation communities?



For every ten submitters who supported the proposed deprivation deciles 8, 9, and 10, one suggested including different areas.

Support

- Feel that there are already sufficient places to purchase alcohol in these areas, some expressed concern about the current level of availability
- Support settings that will protect communities vulnerable to, and disproportionately affected by alcohol related harm
- Associate easy access to alcohol with more alcohol related harm

Support Part

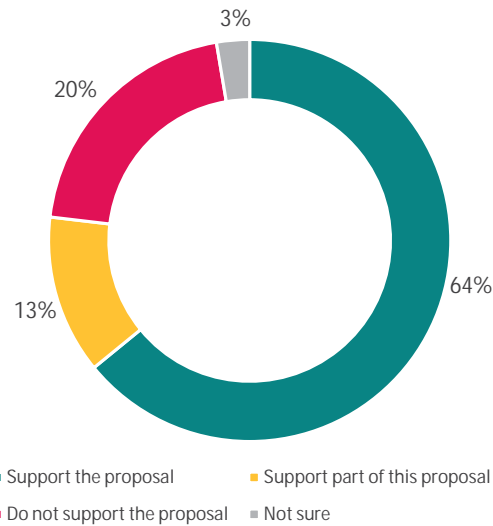
- Generally support the goal of reducing alcohol related harm, but:
- Are concerned that it unfairly targets certain areas of the city
 - Opposed the proposed exemption for supermarkets
 - Suggested more restrictive settings (e.g. include decile 7)
 - Have concerns about effectiveness and economic impacts

Oppose

- Feel that the policy is unfair, discriminatory and inequitable
- Questioned whether the policy would have any meaningful impact
- Feel that the policy impinges on personal freedoms and the free market
- Have a view that people will simply travel further to access alcohol

Policy 3 Restrict new bottle stores locating near sensitive sites

Do you support restricting new bottle stores from opening within 200 metres of sensitive sites in Christchurch?



For every eight submitters who supported the proposed settings, one provided an alternative suggestion.

Support

- Support intent to protect vulnerable members of the community
- Feel that there are already a large number of places to purchase alcohol and their communities don't need any more in them, particularly around sensitive sites
- Agree that the proposed policy settings would support safer and healthier environments

Support Part

- Generally support the goal of reducing alcohol related harm, but:
- Suggested alternative distances to those proposed
 - Wanted the definition of "sensitive sites" broadened to include additional sites and facilities
 - Want a more case by case approach, as opposed to blanket rules

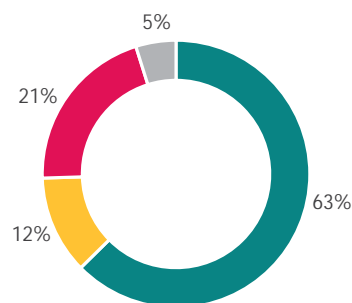
Oppose

- Questioned whether the policy would have any meaningful impact
- Many supported the restrictions only around addiction/rehabilitation centres
- Provided existing rules and restrictions are properly enforced, risk of bottle stores around schools is negligible

Policy 3 Restrict new bottle stores locating near sensitive sites

Do you support restricting new bottle stores from opening within 50 metres of sensitive sites in the Banks Peninsula and 50/100 metres in the Central City?

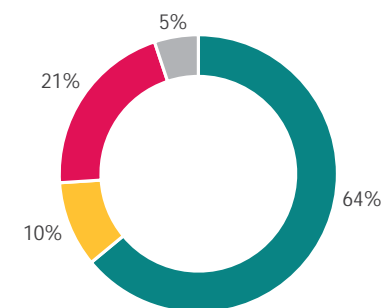
Central City



■ Support the proposal ■ Support part of this proposal
■ Do not support the proposal ■ Not sure

- Mixed feedback on proposed central city settings
- Supporters emphasised the area's unique role
- Submitters who opposed are concerned about weakened protections for vulnerable groups and inconsistency
- Suggestions included larger buffer zones and applying consistent rules citywide for clarity and fairness

Banks Peninsula



■ Support the proposal ■ Support part of this proposal
■ Do not support the proposal ■ Not sure

- Most submitters supported the proposed settings for Banks Peninsula
- Supporters appreciated the need for a tailored approach and felt it strikes the right balance
- Submitters who opposed either felt the buffer was too short or called for consistency with citywide rules

Summary of what we heard

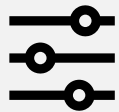


Overall, most submitters supported the proposed settings, viewing them as balanced and proportionate.



There is a strong desire to reduce alcohol-related harm in our communities and protect vulnerable members of our communities.

Ease of access to alcohol, both the hours it is available and its widespread availability across the city, is a concern for many.



Submitters provided a broad range of views on the extent to which the Local Alcohol Policy should restrict the sale and supply of alcohol – both for and against.


- Submitters who supported the Draft Local Alcohol Policy in part, generally supported the intent of the policy, but called for stronger restrictions in specific areas.
- Opposition was primarily driven by scepticism about the effectiveness of, or need for, a Local Alcohol Policy.

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Deliberation

AT A GLANCE *Policies as consulted*

POLICY 1




Reduce trading hours for all off-licences to 9pm daily

- Maximum off-licence trading hours of 7am to 9pm Monday to Sunday.
- Applies to all (new and existing) off-licences in the district.

57% of submitters supported the proposed settings, 9% supported in part, and 34% opposed.

Ratio
7 submitters supported: 1 requested change to maximum trading hours.

POLICY 2




Freeze on new off-licences in high deprivation areas

- No new off-licences in areas with a deprivation score of 8 or more.
- Does not apply to renewals or change of business ownership.
- Exemption available.

63% of submitters supported the proposed settings, 10% supported in part, and 24% opposed.

Ratio
10 submitters supported: 1 requested change to areas covered.

POLICY 3



Restrict new bottle stores locating near sensitive sites

- No new bottle stores near primary or secondary schools, or addiction facilities.
- Does not apply to renewals or change of business ownership.
- Does not apply in CCZ.
- Exemption available.

64% of submitters supported the proposed settings, 13% supported in part, and 20% opposed.

63% supported the proposal for the central city, 64% supported the proposal for Banks Peninsula

Ratio
8 submitters supported: 1 requested change

QUESTION *for deliberation*

Proceed to finalising draft policies 1 to 3 as consulted?

Additional questions for deliberation if required

POLICY 1

- Different maximum trading hours?

POLICY 2

- Define areas of high deprivation differently? Apply buffer?
- Retain primary purpose exemption?

POLICY 3

- Broaden definition of sensitive sites?
- Retain proposed distances and licence types?
- Also apply to CCZ?

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Reflections

*Summarising the Council's deliberations
and confirming direction*

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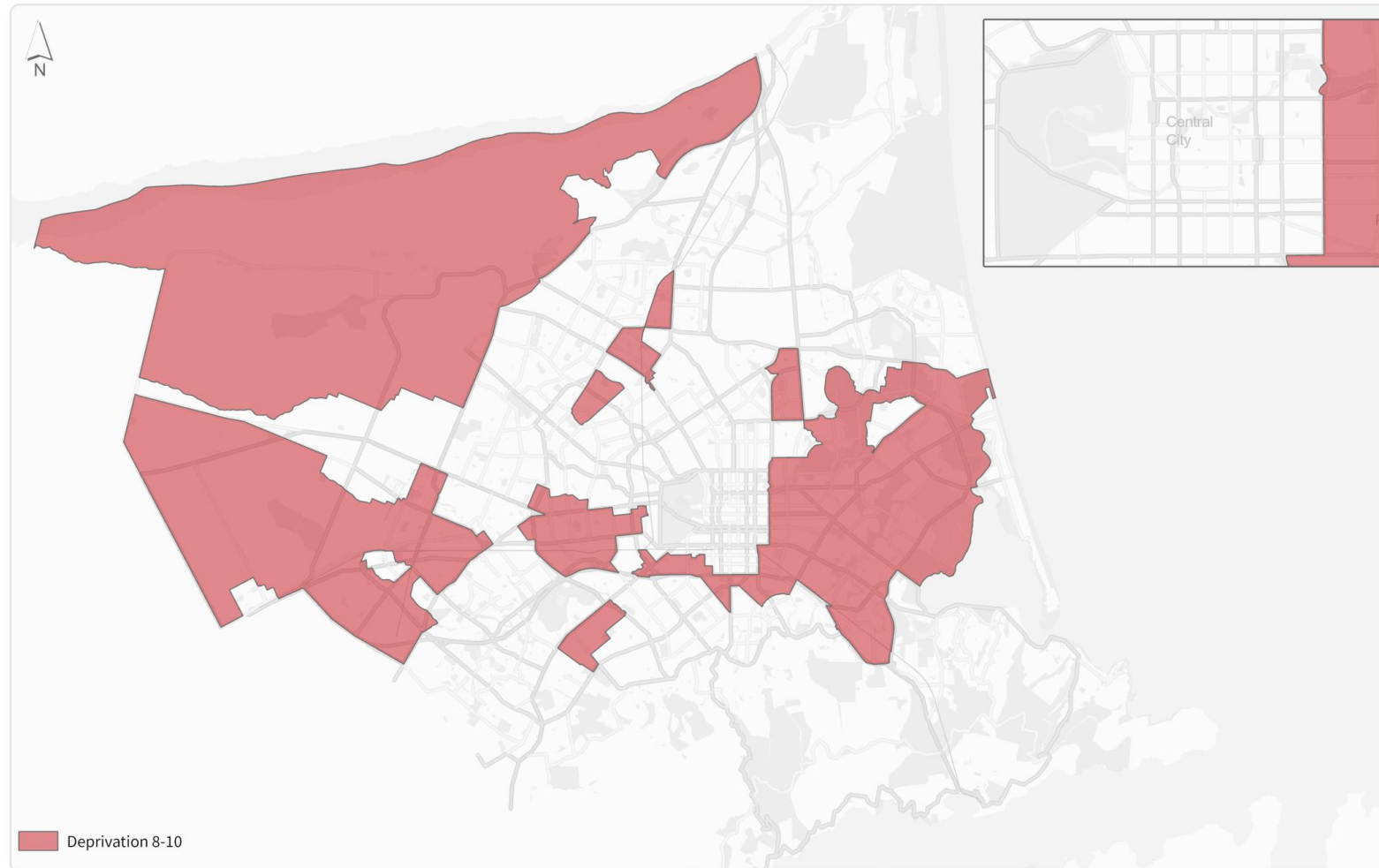
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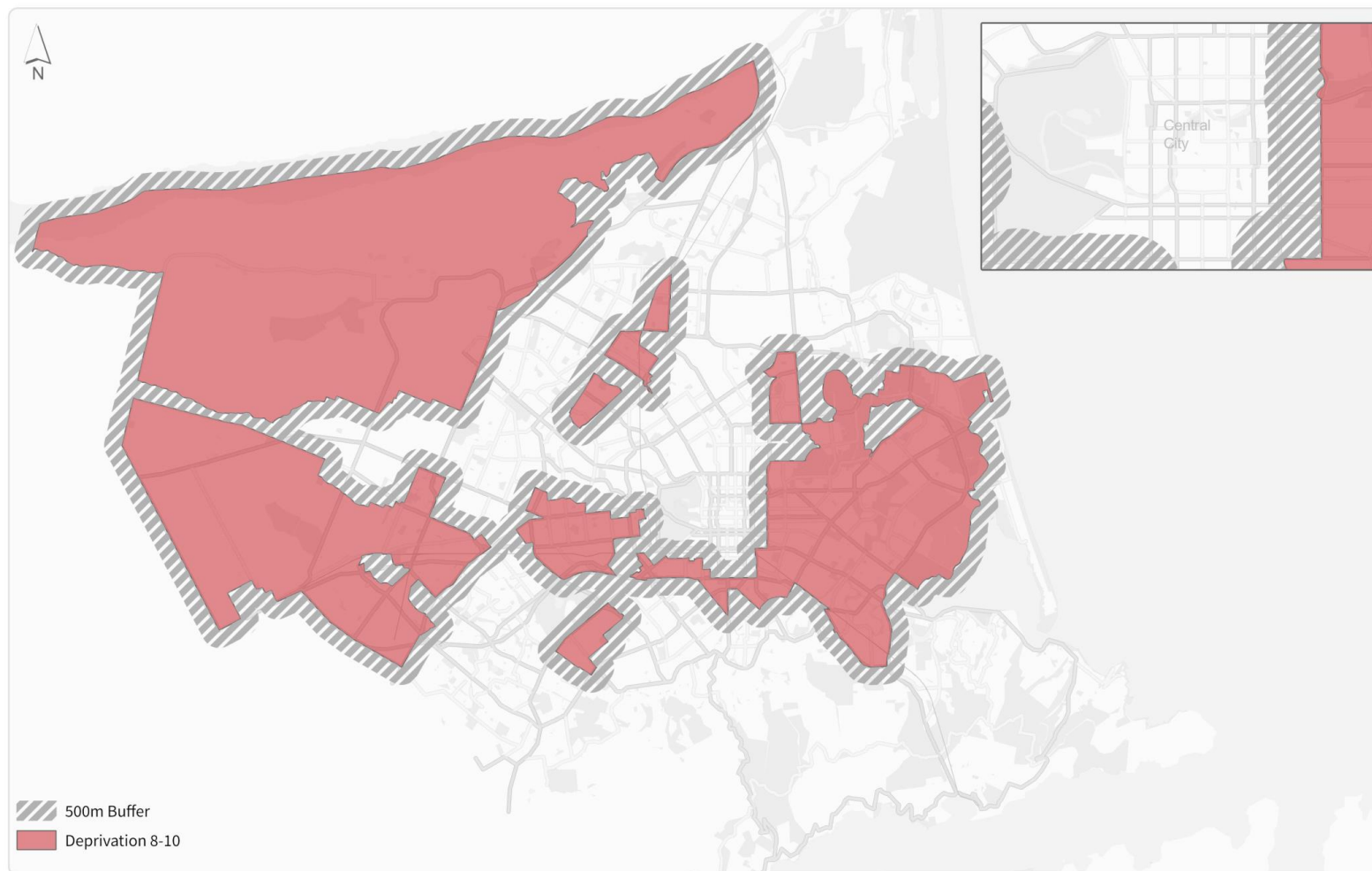
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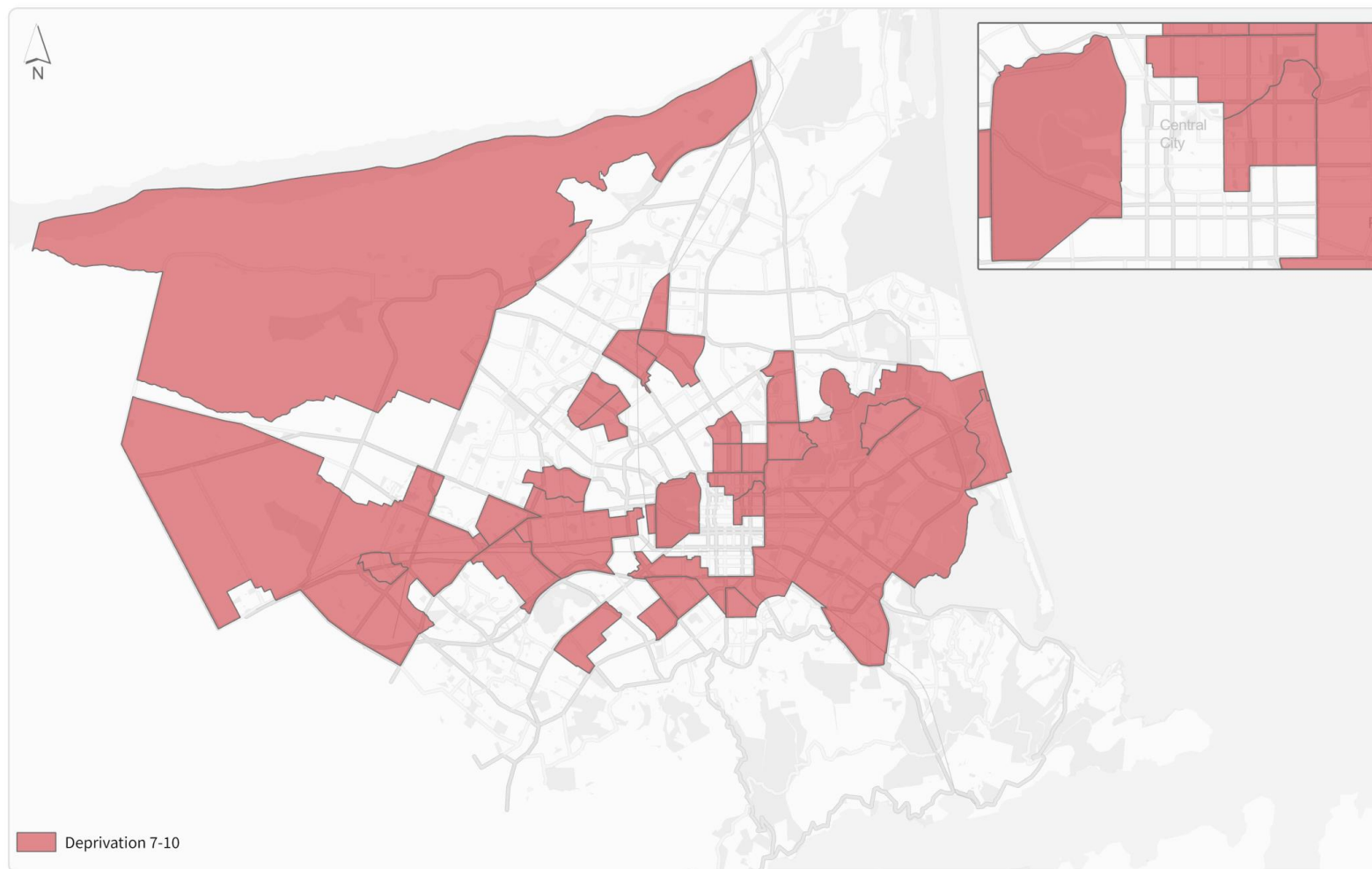
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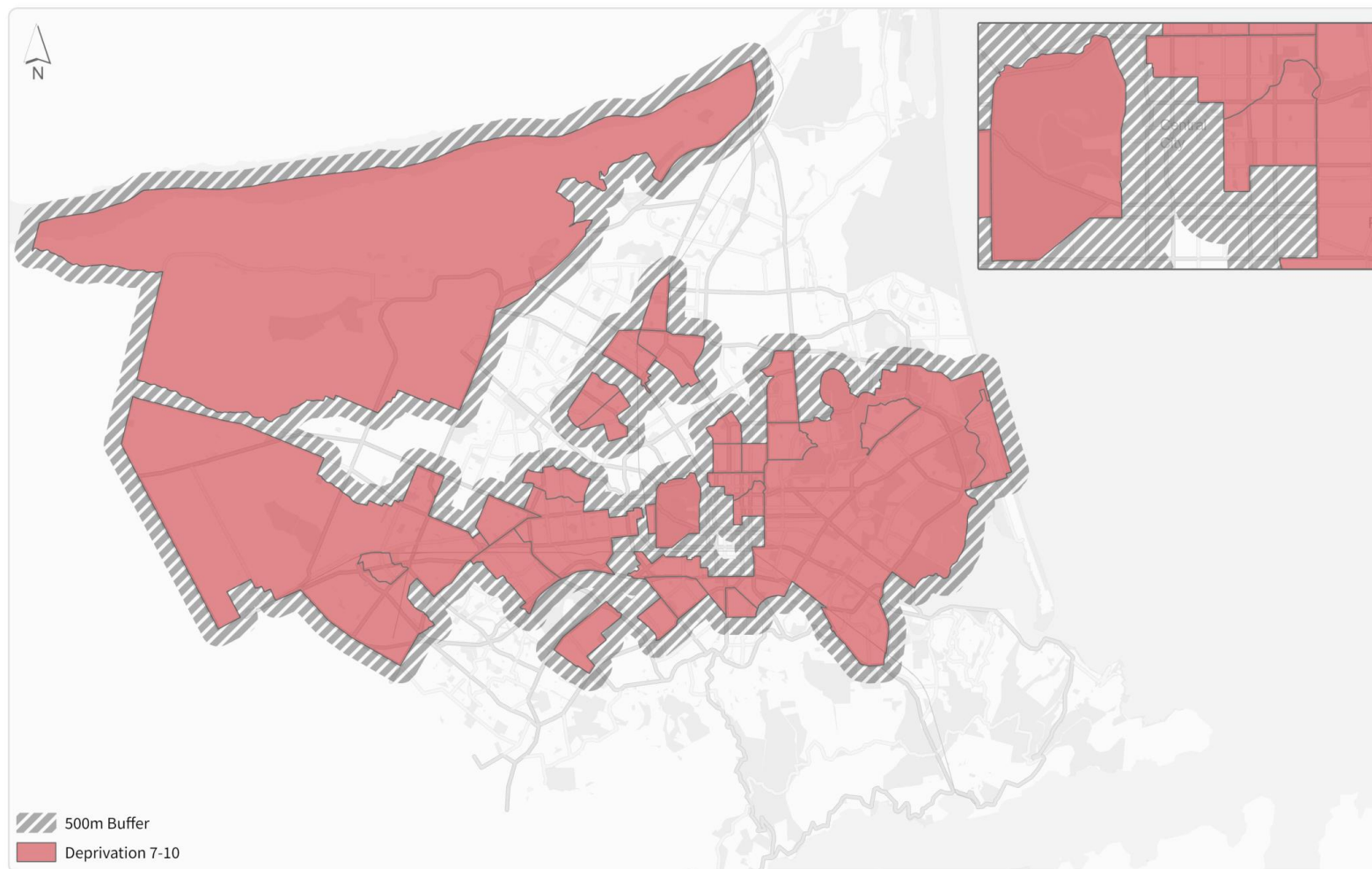


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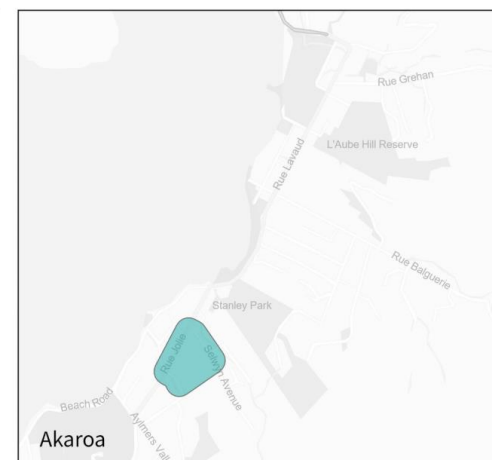
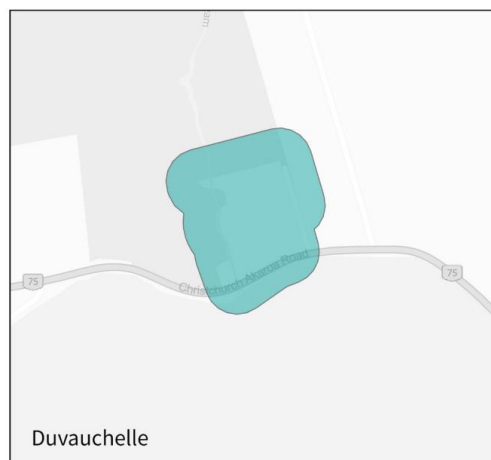
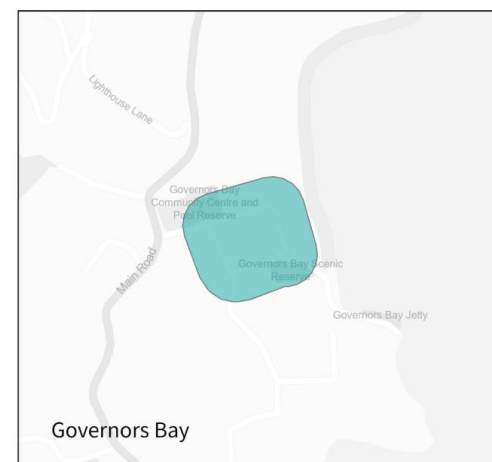
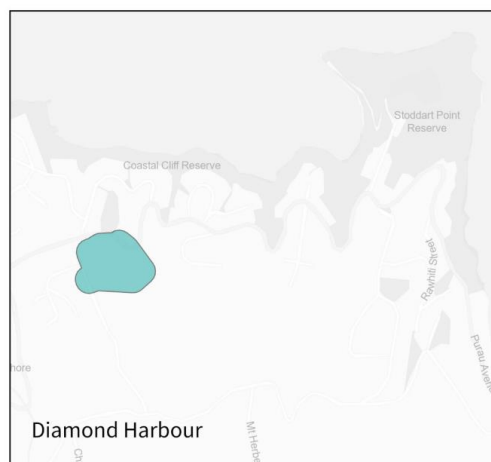
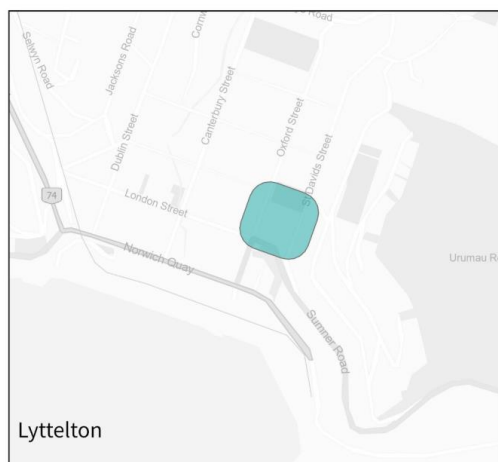


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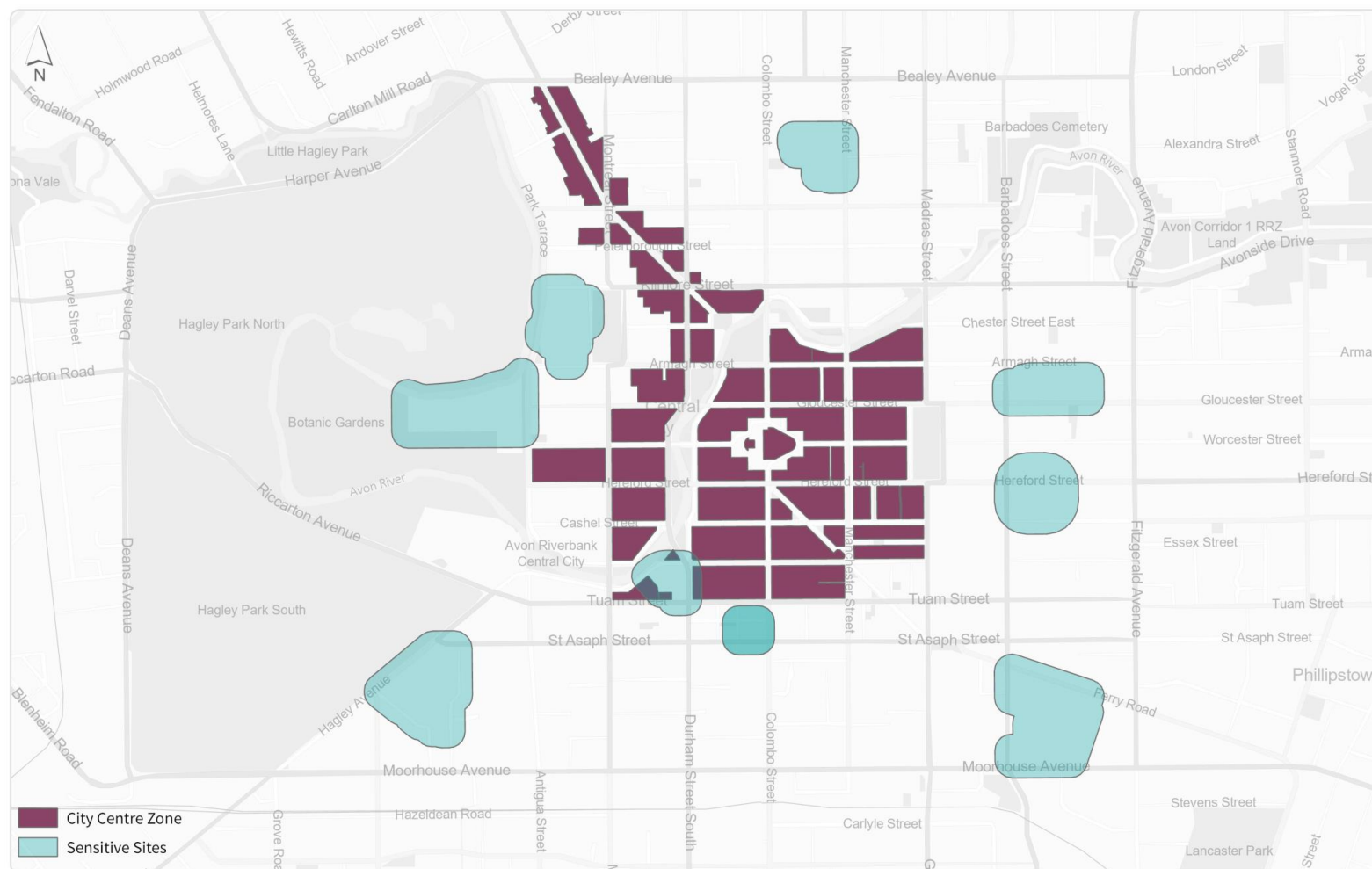
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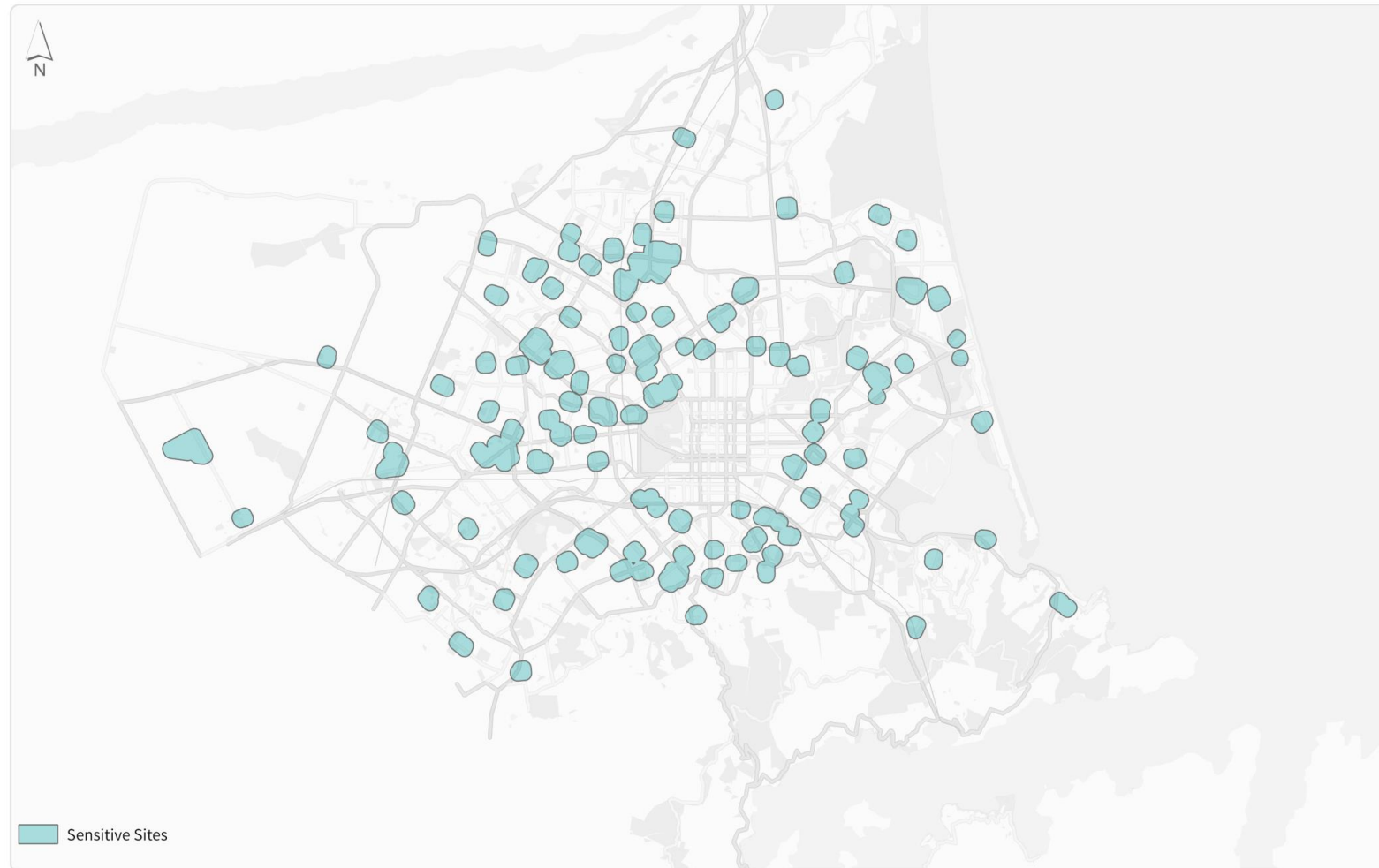
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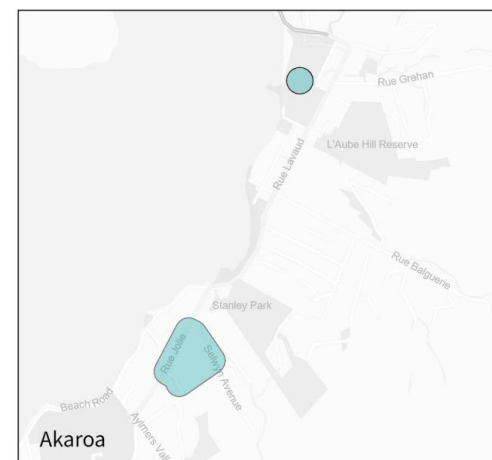
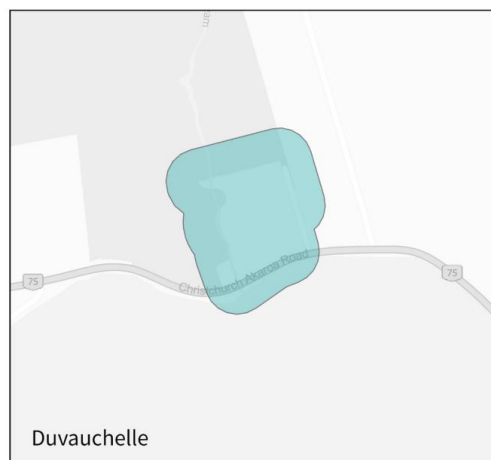
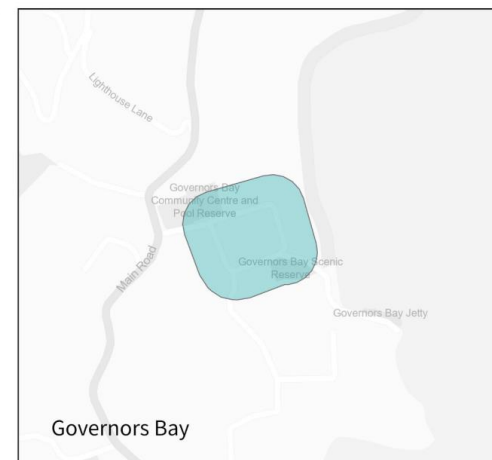
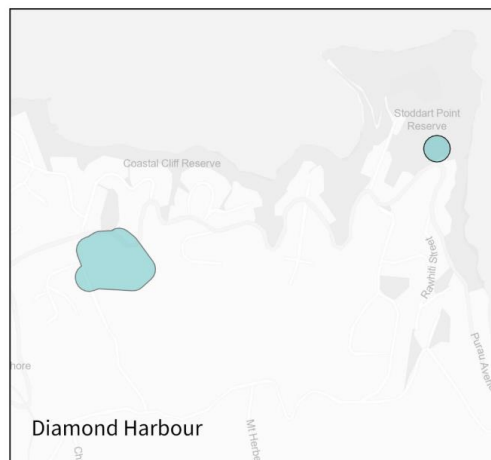
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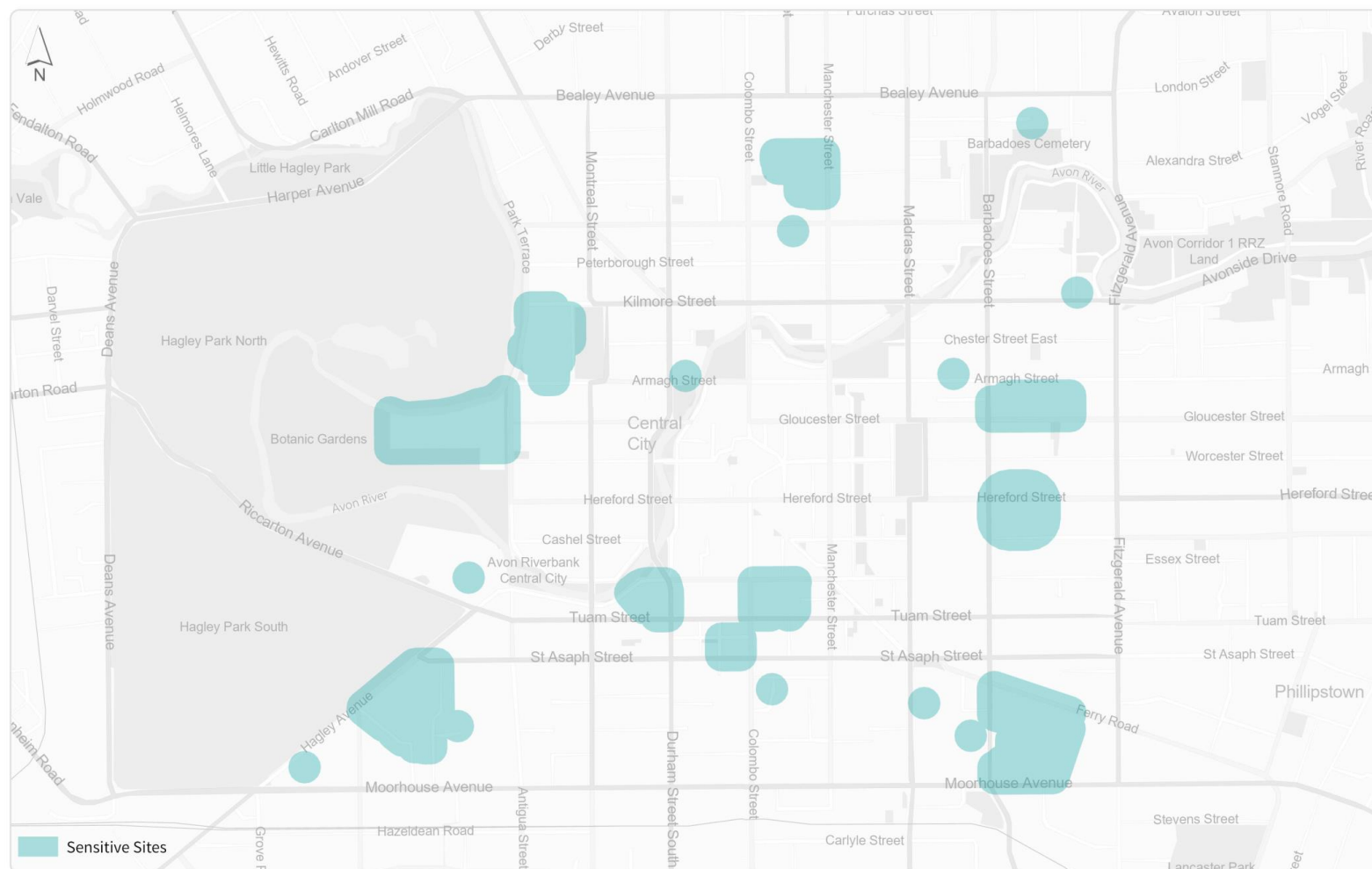
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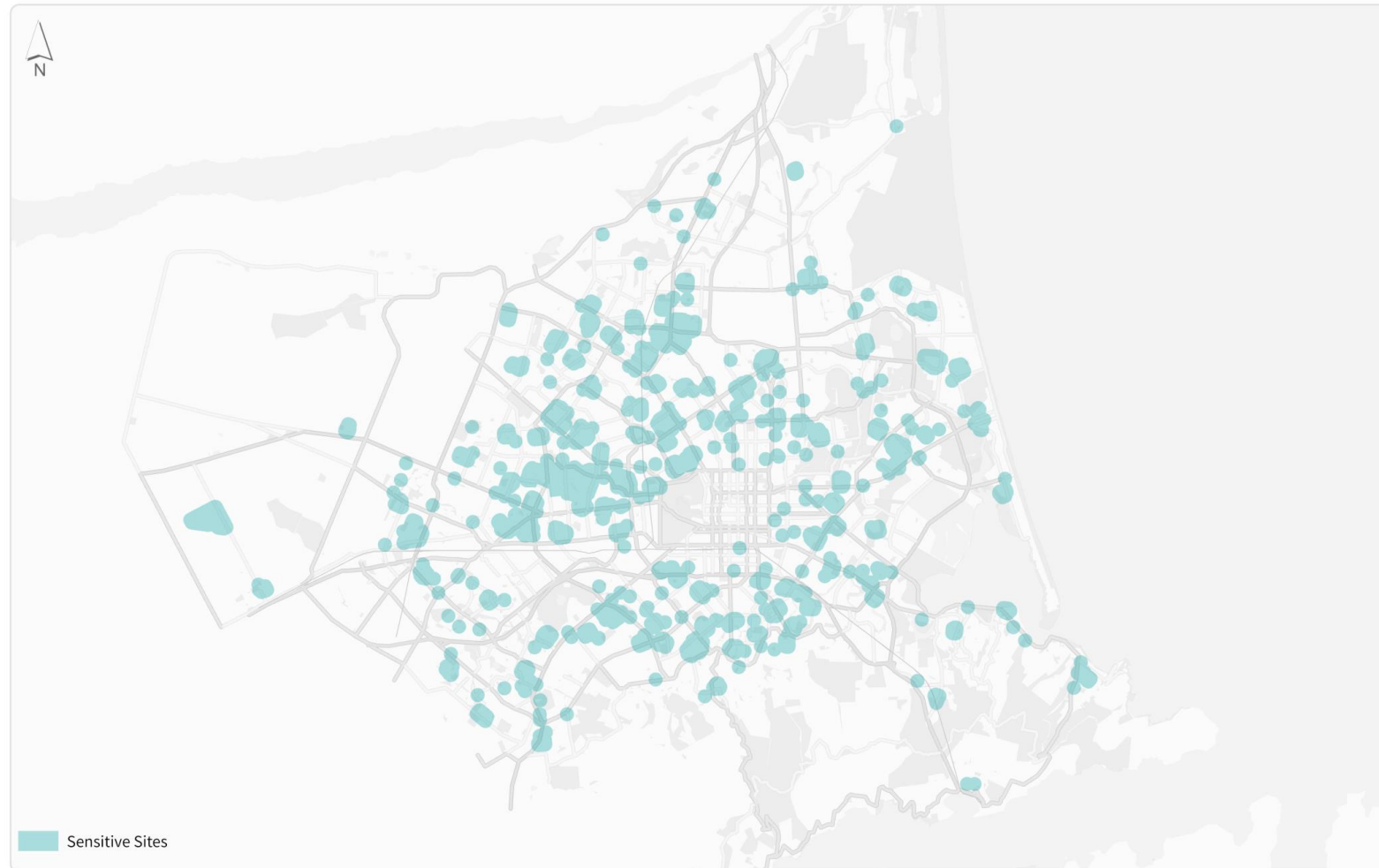
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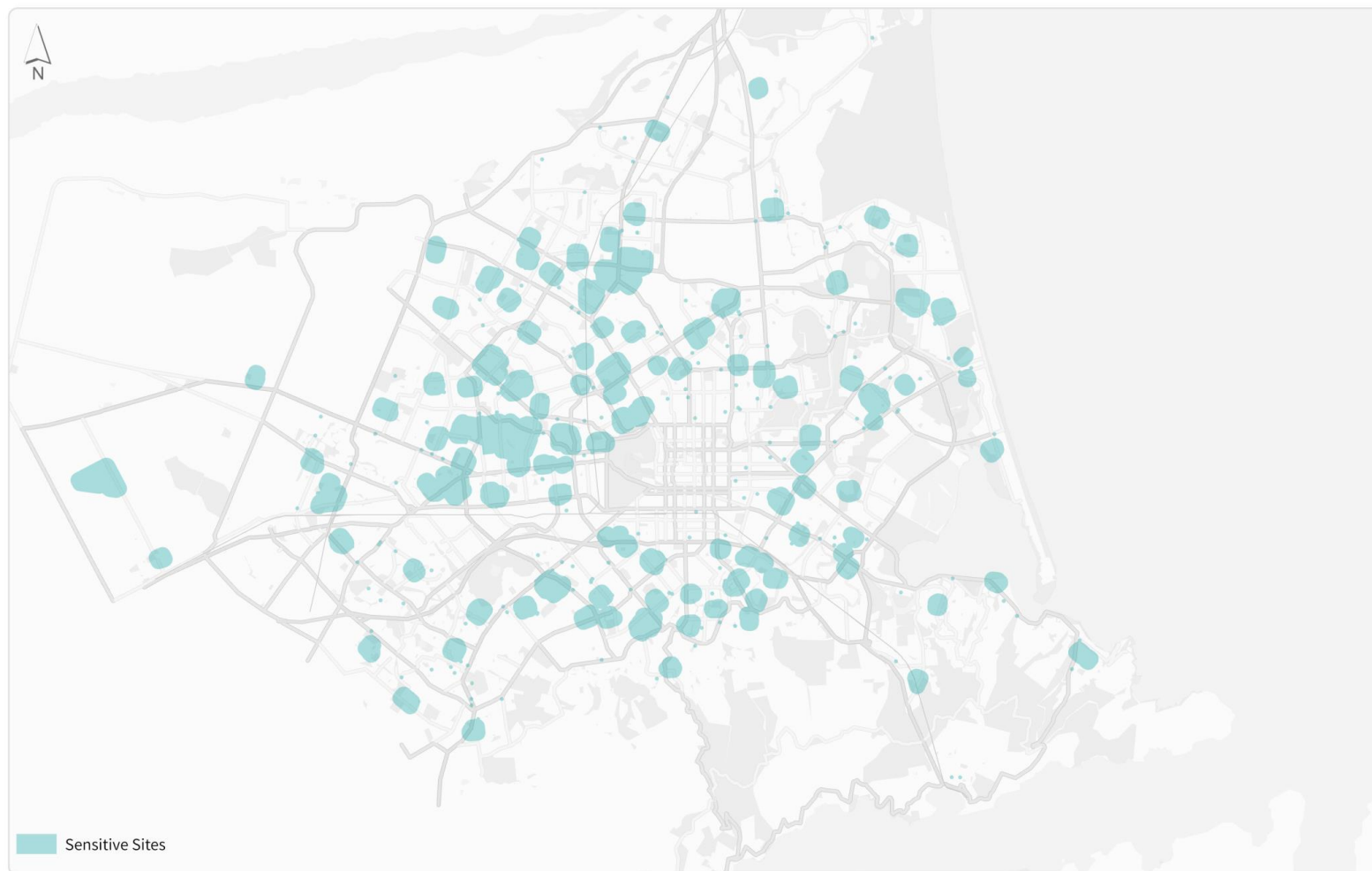
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Policy 3 – Post-Consultation: Rest of District (200m from ECEs, schools, addiction/rehabilitation centres, Riccarton Bus Lounge, and the University of Canterbury Campus)



Map P3.5

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Policy 3 – Post-Consultation: Rest of District (200m from schools, addiction/rehabilitation centres, Riccarton Bus Lounge, and the University of Canterbury Campus; 50m from ECEs)



