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### Alcohol sales at school fairs to be reviewed

### **NATHAN BEAUMONT**

THE Government has been asked to investigate whether schools selling booze at fairs are breaking the law, putting fundraising activities under the spotlight.

A former top education official has criticised schools for selling alcohol and wants the Education Review Office to in-

vestigate nationwide.

Law Commission president Sir Geoffrey Palmer, who is reviewing alcohol laws, has also received a submission about the matter and said he would look at it as part of the review.

Judith Aitken, a former chief review officer for the Education Review Office, is preparing a formal request for her old employers to look into whether schools

were following the rules.

Dr Aitken, a member of the Capital and Coast District Health Board, wanted the lawfulness, schools' alcohol policies and any guidelines from the Government to be looked at.

"It is an issue that needs to be looked at. In my view it is inappropriate. Children see alcohol being actively promoted and used for something which is allegedly a good purpose," she said.



Sir Geoffrey
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review of alcohol
laws.

An ERO spokeswoman said any complaint would be taken seriously.

"It would either respond immediately, or investigate during the next review of the school, depending on the seriousness and nature of the complaint."

The appeal comes as some secondary schools around the country face flak for selling alcohol at school balls.

Schools must have a licence from the District Licensing Agency to sell alcohol but they cannot use it as a prize in a raffle

In 2003, a Westlake Boys' High School rugby team attempted to raffle a pallet of beer as part of a fundraiser, but cancelled the raffle after it was labelled "illegal", by the Education Ministry.

Cashmere Avenue School in Khandallah, Wellington, has banned alcohol from being sold during family fundraising events. Principal Mike Forrest said the events were family occasions and alcoholwas not appropriate.

"Our fundraising group could see our income stream going up in smoke and weren't that happy, but we just don'think it is appropriate. It would be differ ent if it was a quiz night for parents."

But Island Bay School principal Perry Rush allows alcohol to be sold at events Though it was not an important part of fundraising, he said, schools should have the right.

"For us it is more about common sens and it is not like the kids stand round an look at parents drinking. I am a fan obeing able to be open and sensible about these things.

"We are saying, 'Here is a way of re laxing and enjoying a nice, sunny day It's about keeping things as normal a

possible.'

In a letter to a complainant wh attended an event at Island Bay Schoo the Education Ministry said any concerr or complaints needed to be directed a individual boards of trustees.

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Sub. 7.
Tabled Information
203/13P(c)

### Submission

Wellington City Council committee on proposed liquor changes

6<sup>th</sup> August 2013

My name is Tony Loveday

I own for my sins 2 inner city craft beer bars The BruHaus and the TapHaus

Both cost large capital sums to set up and to maintain

We cater for the high end of the market with both corporate clientele and avid craft beer drinkers

I don't have to tell you that it is a very difficult market in a recessionary environment and in a city impacted by retrenchment of government departments, and facing the impact of higher overheads from the Earthquakes both in Christchurch and Wellington.

TapHaus was closed for 1 week after the latest earthquake in Wellington

I am not relating this to you for sympathy but simply to make the point the industry is facing difficult times and it does not need further legislation impacting negatively on it

There are 3 key principles from my perspective:

The first is that most bars have similar capital cost structure and operating costs

It seems to me to be absurd penalising a bar such as TapHaus by restricting the opening hours and which is 30 meters from Cuba Street when bars on Cuba are likely to open later.

A similar situation holds for bars such as BruHaus and the Green Man. The reality is our bars do not open late but the principle is there in any event

I also make the point that making a large number of bars turn patrons out at the same time is likely to cause more rather than less problems

Despite this I do support time restrictions for suburban bars where they are situated in quiet residential areas.

Secondly- there are already sufficient penalties in the existing legislation to deal with errant bar owners consistently flouting the liquor laws –you do not need new ones

I am paranoid about the impact on my business by a breach of serving an underage person or serving a drunk- we are only as strong as our weakest link.

Despite this I believe most bars are highly responsible in adhering to the liquor legislation

The hospitality Association has produced figures suggesting that 72% of problem drinkers preload and 11% side load

The problem appears not to be with the inner city bars but with the other main sources of alcohol – both the liquor outlets and primarily the supermarkets. Have a look at the floor space in the average supermarket where liquor has gone from nothing 20 years ago to 15-20% of floor space.

The third and most important issue is that it is time to penalise the idiots who become drunk every weekend. These are mostly young and include many underage.

Penalise them with hefty fines that hurt their pockets

Penalise them by taking away their cars for repeated alcohol offences

Penalise them by having identification that can be scanned at bars that reject drinkers with more than one alcohol offence

Penalise parent of underage drinkers

Only by doing this will you change behaviour

It is this that I believe is the primary direction both government and councils should pursue rather than tackling well run bars who are not the problem

Tony Loveday

Sub 522 Tabled Information 203/13P(0)

## Foodstuffs' supermarkets in Wellington City

Total weekly opening hours – 1,212	Hours under threat – 103 (8,4%)
Total employees – 1,600 +	Customer transactions post 9pm per week – 11,143
Annual wages – \$48.7 Million	Annual community sponsorship – \$396,000

### Owner operated stores

_				Hours under threat
NEW WORLD	Churton Park	Kevin and Jan Phelan	Daily 7am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Island Bay	Tim and Anna Carmichael	Daily 7am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Miramar	Paul and Joe Vegar	Daily 7am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Newlands	Ross and Donna Jordan	Daily 7am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Newtown	Donald Chung	Daily 7am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Railway Metro	Karl and Caroline Marryatt	Mon-Sat 6am-10pm, Sun 7am-8pm	Mon-Sat 9pm-10pm
NEW WORLD	Tawa	Neil and Robyn Hogg	Daily 6am–10pm	Daily 9pm–10pm
NEW WORLD	Thorndon	Brian Drake	Daily 7am–11pm	Daily 9pm–11pm
NEW WORLD	Wellington City	Gary Baker	Daily 7am–12am	Daily 9pm–12am
NEW WORLD	Metro Willis Street	Richard Taggart	Mon–Fri 7am–11pm, Sat 8am–11pm, Sun 8am–10pm	Mon–Sat 9pm–11pm, Sun 9pm–10pm
<b>PAK É E E E E E E E E E E</b>	Kilbirnie	Dean Galt	Daily 6am–12am	Daily 9pm–12am





### Foodstuffs Alcohol Policy:

To retail beer and wine in a responsible and appropriate manner



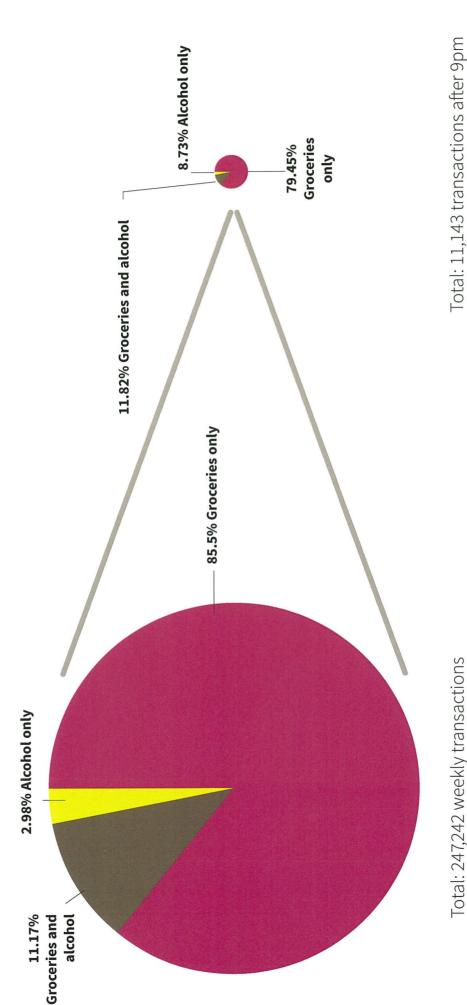
- Prevention of sales to minors
- Compliance with industry codes
- No loss-leading
- Strict adherence to license conditions



## 4% of total customer transactions occur after 9pm

### TOTAL WEEKLY TRANSACTIONS

AFTER 9PM CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS

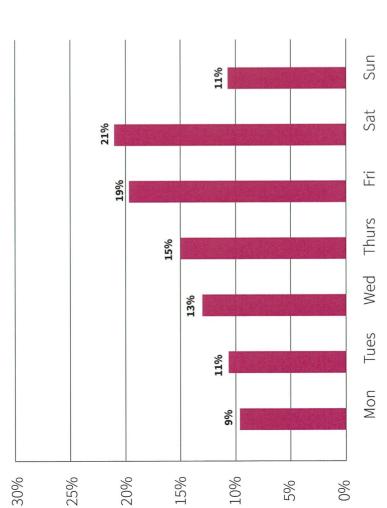


Total: 247,242 weekly transactions

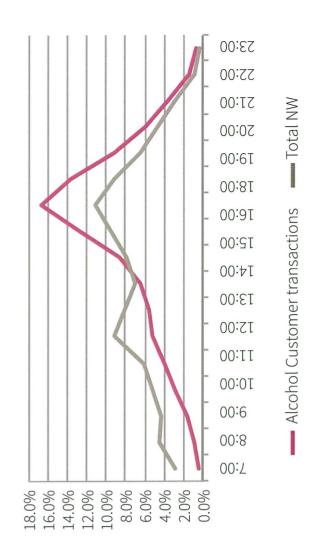


# Alcohol customer transactions by day and time of day





### ALCOHOL CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS PEAK FROM 4PM TO 7PM



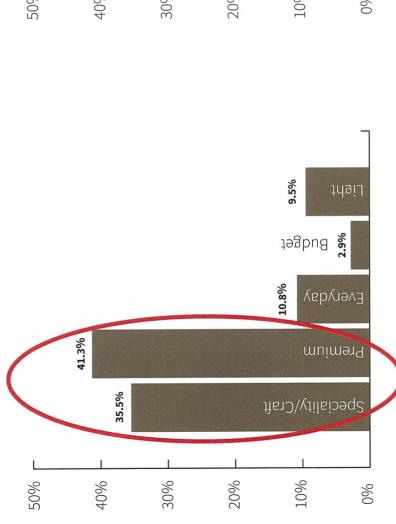


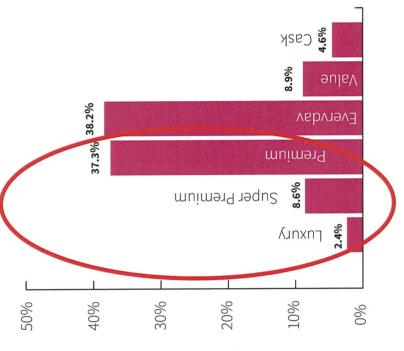
**PAKINSAVE** 

### New World customers tend to favour craft and premium beers, and premium wines

BEER CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS BY VALUE SEGMENT

WINE CUSTOMER TRANSACTIONS BY VALUE SEGMENT





Share of everyday and budget beer, and value and cask wine is low.

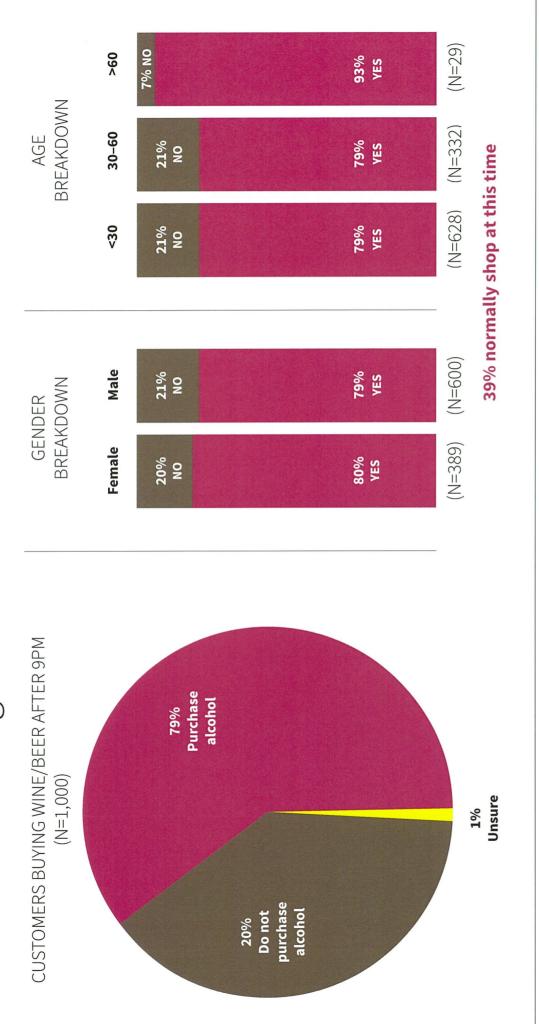






# Curia Store Exit Survey of 1,000 post 9pm customers

79% buy beer and wine from supermarkets 62% of customers aged under 30







### Curia Store Exit Survey of 1,000 post 9pm customers 71% of males under 30 purchase groceries only

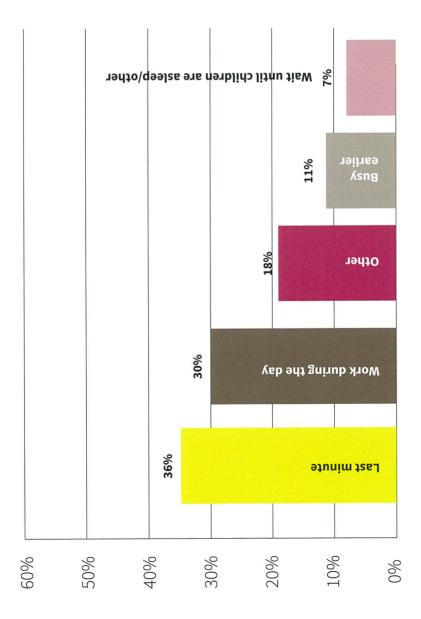
### TODAY'S PURCHASE BY GENDER AND AGE







### 36% are last-minute shoppers



Many commented they shopped at that time because there were less queues. Sample of 1,000 Foodstuffs Wellington supermarket customers.



# Curia Store Exit Survey of 1,000 post 9pm customers

# 58% of customers disagree with proposed 9pm close off





Disagree

Unsure

Agree

(N = 200)(N = 1000) (N = 793)

policy they are only 20% of the customer base at this time of day. While a higher % of non-alcohol buyers agree with the proposed



## Post 9pm customers and their transactions

# Digital video snapshots recorded for all supermarket customers\*











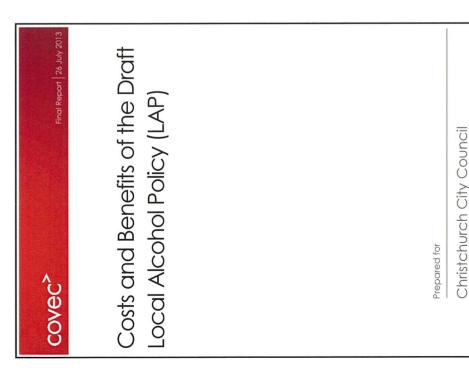


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# Analysis of Christchurch LAP says costs will outweigh benefits



"The LAP could have a number of unintended consequences...

harm, namely our binge drinking culture... "..fails to address the key drivers of acute

"...council does not appear to have a strong hours that alcohol can be sold at certain community mandate for reducing the off-licenses, such as supermarkets. "...the policy has the potential to negatively impact a number of law-abiding citizens. 26 July 2013



