

ATTACHMENT TO MINUTES

STRATEGY AND POLICY REVIEW COMMITTEE, MONDAY, 2 JUNE 2008

Public Question Time – answers to questions taken on notice*

Question regarding Victorian Alcohol Action Plan / Triangle site / National Local Government Alcohol and Drug Advisory Committee (questions from Paul Morgan)

The development plan for the St Kilda Triangle has gone through a thorough planning process which has seen the Council approve the project subject to conditions on the 7th February 2008.

At this stage the initiatives announced as part of the Victoria's Alcohol Action Plan are related to a temporary (12 month) moratorium on the granting of new liquor licences beyond 1am as well as a three month trial of a 2am venue lockout. At this stage there have been no applications for liquor licences on the St Kilda Triangle site and any such licences will be subject to the legislative controls in place at the time. It is therefore premature to speculate on what the outcome of the moratorium may be.

It is important to note that liquor licences are issued by the Licensing Branch of Consumer Affairs, Department of Justice. They will apply the limitations as relevant not Council. It is not Council's role to apply the initiatives nor can Council exempt any licensee from the requirements of the Licensing Branch of Consumer Affairs.

Council has made no commitments or promises to Citta in regard to exemptions.

Question regarding Corporate Power contract (questions from Rob Bruce, Serge Thomann)

The Minister for Local Government has commissioned a review of this matter, with the full co-operation of the City of Port Phillip. Therefore the council will not be making further comments on this matter at this time.

The Local Government Act provides that the Chief Executive Officer is responsible for all staffing matters. Staff leave matters are therefore not referred to the Council.

**Note: answers to any questions in Public Question Time which were answered at the meeting are included in the minutes of that meeting.*