

STAFF REPORT

TO: Environment & Planning Committee

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SUBJECT: MANAGER'S REPORT - REPORT EP08/07/08 - Report Prepared

for 17 July Meeting

1. PUBLIC HEALTH BILL

The Select Committee has reported back on submissions to the Public Health Bill will sets up a new system for non-food registered premises like hairdressers, camping grounds etc. We made a submission in February 2008. Very little improvement has been made to the process burden that will befall councils and applicants. The one glimmer of hope is that some of the features of the Bill have been deleted and will be covered in Regulation and prior to passing any such Regulation the Minister will consult local government. How successful this will be in keeping processes relevant and efficient remains to be seen.

2. LEGAL PROCEEDINGS

Council has been served with papers seeking a judicial review of a decision to grant consent on a non-notified basis to a housing development in Torrent Bay. Mediation has also resulted in resolving an appeal against the Baigent water permit decision.

3. RECOMMENDATION

It is recommended that this report be received.

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