

Factsheet

PROPOSED PUBLIC PLACES BYLAW 2016 AND POLICY

- The Council's Public Places Bylaw and Policy aim to minimise public nuisance and protect public health and safety.
- The policy and bylaw work together and it is important they are read together as a set.
- The Public Places Policy provides policy guidance for a wide range of activities in public places across the city, including outdoor dining, signage, mobile trading and busking.
- The Public Places Bylaw provides Council with powers to regulate activities in public places based on the content of the policy, and is enforced by Council.
- We've recently reviewed the current policy and bylaw, and some changes are recommended.

What we're proposing:

- allowing up to three mobile traders to operate in the central city
- increasing the trading hours that mobile shops can operate across Hamilton from 8am to 8.30pm, to 6am to 10pm
- policy guidance around other activities that can occur on footpaths, such as commercial promotional activities.
- standardisation for the layout of footpath clearways (clearway layout and width currently vary across the central city which is causing confusion)
- the removal of specific criteria for Garden Place activities
- changing the time that buskers are allowed to operate, from 8.30am to 8.30pm, to 7am to 1am (the following day)
- A change in time for outdoor dining barriers and supervision to start, from 9pm to 6pm
- a change to the type of signs that require a permit

Have your say

You can leave feedback and find out more about the policy and bylaw online at hamilton.govt.nz/haveyoursay

Hard copies of the draft bylaw and policy are available from the Ground Floor Reception of the Council Municipal Building in Civic Square, any Hamilton City Library or by phoning 07 838 6537.

Feedback can also be sent to the Strategy and Communications Group, Freepost 172189, Hamilton City Council, Private Bag 3010, Hamilton.

Feedback closes on Friday 15 January.