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**TAUPO BOROUGH EMPOWERING (INFORMATION CENTRE)**

[LOCAL]

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**A BILL INTITULED**

**An Act to extend the powers of the Taupo Borough Council to establish, operate, and manage an information centre and public relations office**

5 WHEREAS the Mayor, Councillors, and Citizens of the Borough of Taupo have established and operate an information centre and public relations office: And whereas it is desired to extend the scope and extent of activities thereof:

10 BE IT THEREFORE ENACTED by the General Assembly of New Zealand in Parliament assembled, and by the authority of the same, as follows:

1. **Short Title**—This Act may be cited as the Taupo Borough Empowering (Information Centre) Act 1970.

No. 83—1

**2. Interpretation**—In this Act, unless the context otherwise requires,—

“Borough” means the Borough of Taupo:

“Council” means the Taupo Borough Council.

**3. Council may operate information centre and public relations office**—Notwithstanding anything in the Municipal Corporations Act 1954 or in any other Act, the Council is hereby authorised and empowered and is hereby deemed always to have been so authorised and empowered to establish, operate, and manage in the borough an information centre and public relations office to promote the advancement and development of the borough or of any area or areas whose advancement or development would or might tend to benefit the borough and to educate and instruct the public concerning the activities of the borough or any such area or areas. 5  
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**4. Activities of information centre and public relations office**—Without in any way limiting the generality of section 3 of this Act and notwithstanding anything in the Municipal Corporations Act 1954 or in any other Act, the Council is hereby authorised and empowered and is hereby deemed always to have been so authorised and empowered as part of the activities of such information centre and public relations office: 20

- (a) To buy and sell maps, postcards, photographic transparencies, and local souvenirs: 25
- (b) To act as agent for the sale of fishing licences, for the sale of tickets for scenic tours and flights, and for the hiring out of boats and to receive commissions for so doing: 30
- (c) To act as agent for motel proprietors and for the proprietors of other accommodation houses for the booking of motels and other accommodation and to receive from such proprietors a fee for so doing:
- (d) To let advertising space in the information centre and public relations office authorised by section 3 of this Act and in any handbooks, abstracts, or other publications published by the Council pursuant to paragraph (f) of subsection (1) of section 305 of the Municipal Corporations Act 1954, and to receive payment therefor. 35  
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**5. Council shall keep accounts—**(1) For the purposes of this section the term “undertaking” means the information centre and public relations office.

(2) The Council shall—

- 5 (a) Keep a separate account in respect of the undertaking, to which shall be credited all money received in connection with the undertaking and to which shall be debited all expenditure properly chargeable against the account:
- 10 (b) Prepare a statement showing its income and expenditure in respect of the undertaking for the financial year that ended on the preceding 31st day of March, and also a statement showing its assets and liabilities in respect of the undertaking as at the end of that
- 15 (c) Establish a renewal or depreciation fund in respect of the undertaking as if the undertaking were a trading undertaking within the meaning of Part XI of the Municipal Corporations Act 1954, and the provisions of that Part shall, with any necessary modifications, apply accordingly.
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**6. Finance—**The Council is hereby authorised and empowered to meet any deficit in the establishment, operation, or management of the information centre and public relations office from its general account.

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