

Neighbours opposed to strip club



TE ARA Lodge, a possible building for Carmen's proposed strip club.

Most residents close to Te Ara Lodge on the Mangorei Rd and Devon St, New Plymouth, interseccion, oppose a strip club that could possibly be opened in the building.

"I don't want a place like that within 40 miles of my home. The area is noisy enough now without attracting hooligans and drunks," was the reaction of one nearby resident.

Wellington night club owner, Carmen, said last week that Te Ara was one property that might be used for a night club though another property was also under consideration.

Te Ara is situated in a residential zone so Carmen would have to have town planning approval which involves calling for objections, according to the city council.

Nearby residents were adamant that objections would be lodged very strongly and quickly.

"We don't want this element in our area. If there must be a nightclub it should be in the middle of town away from any residential areas," said one today.

A couple of businessmen in the immediate area did not think a nightclub would affect their businesses in any

way but were definitely not in favour of it.

They said that New Plymouth was not the boom oil town some people believed and that a night club was not really necessary.

If Te Ara is to become a night club it will add to an already bizarre reputation of secret tunnels, rooms and ghostly figures.

In the last 20 years the building has been used as a reception hall, an ice cream parlour, a boarding house and a hostel.

Seeking more facts

The New Plymouth High School Board is to study the possibility of establishing a fourth high school in New Plymouth. But, the chairman, Mr O. G. Sole, said today it was difficult to say what would be done until facts and figures were gathered and assessed.

DIRECTOR

Artificial reef at the Mount

HAMILTON. Today (NZPA). — More than 3000 tyres will be laid offshore at Mt Manganui next weekend to construct an artificial reef.

The reef was being laid

Discarded cannabis pipe costs \$100

Charges of possessing the narcotic cannabis and possessing instruments for committing an offence under

Counsel, Mr P. McKenzie, said Price had not smoked cannabis for four months. He had given it up at the request of his parents, and had thrown the bags under his

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