Security tight for Cassidy

From JUDY McGREGOR in Auckland

Stringent security arrangements have been planned for the New Zealand visit of teeny-bopper idol David Cassidy.

Two British security men Don Murfet and Jerry Slater will arrive in Auckland today. They are employed by Artist Services, the firm that has handled security for most of the major pop tours in Europe and America.

The security men have studied plans of the Eden Park layout, where Cassidy will hold his one New Zealand concert next Tuesday. They will brief 50 local security men who will be at the concert.

Harry Miller's public relations officer Patti Mostyn said yesterday Cassidy had been booked in at two Auckland hotels as a precaution against fans who might try booking in too. His accommodation will be kept a secret.

However, Cassidy's flight into Auckland had been arranged on a Saturday morning so children wanting to be at the airport to see him would not skip school.