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Questions relating to the make up of your DLC

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4 Please name each of your Licensing Inspectors and provide their email and contact number.

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New Licenses 2025-2026

1 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee grant for New 'on licences'?

report:

1

2 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee refuse for New 'on licences'?

report:

0

3 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee grant for New 'off licences'?

report:

1

4 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee refuse for New 'off licences'?

report:

0

5 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee grant for New 'club licences'?

report:

0

6 In the 2025-2026 year, how many total Applications did your committee refuse for New ‘club licences’?

report:

0

New Managers' Certificates 2025-2026

1 In the 2025-2026 year, how many new managers’ certificates did your committee issue?

report:

12; plus one received pending for processing (total 13)

2 In the 2025-2026 year, how many new applications for managers’ certificates did your committee refuse?

report:

0

Licence Renewals 2025-2026

1 In the 2025-2026 year, how many licence renewals did your committee issue?

report:

7

2 In the 2025-2026 year, how many licence renewals did your committee refuse?

report:

0

3 As at 30 June 2026, what is the total number of On-Licences (new and existing) in your licensing district?

report:

6

4 As at 30 June 2026, what is the total number of Off-Licences (new and existing) in your licensing district?

report:

7

5 As at 30 June 2026, what is the total number of Club-Licences (new and existing) in your licensing district?

As at 30 June 2025, what is the total number of Club-Licences (new and existing) in your licensing district?:

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Managers’ Certificate Renewals 2025-2026

1 In the 2025-2026 year, how many managers’ certificate renewals did your committee issue?

report:

17

2 In the 2025-2026 year, how many managers’ certificate renewals did your committee refuse?

report:

0

Questions

1 Please comment on any changes or trends in the Committee’s workload in 2025-2026.

report:

the Committee member has raised that workload is low for the last 6 months. This could be true due to most renewal occurs every three years so last year felt way more applications as we have had multiple club licence renewals last year.

2 Please comment on any new initiatives the Committee has developed/adopted in 2025-2026.

report:

the DL Committee is currently drafted the DLC Guidelines (s203 of the Act) and once completed it will be available for public consultation.

Local Alcohol Policy (LAP)

1 Has your Territorial Authority developed a Local Alcohol Policy?

Yes

2 If the answer is yes, at what stage is your LAP?

In Force

3 If the answer to question 2 is 'in force', what effect do you consider your Local Alcohol Policy is having?

report:

Our LAP is effective in regarding its purpose to assist the licensing system achieving the Object of the Act

4 If the answer to question 2 is 'in force', what date is your Local Alcohol Policy due for review?

report:

1 October 2030

Operations

1 Please comment on the ways in which you believe the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 is, or is not, achieving its objective. Note: the objective of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 is that:A) The sale, supply, and consumption of alcohol should be undertaken safely and responsibly; andB) The harm caused by the excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol should be minimised.

report:

The operation of the DLC, supported by the enforcement and reporting agencies, has demonstrated its effectiveness in achieving the purpose of the alcohol licensing system. The object of the Act is reflected in the district's compliance outcomes, with a very low number of Controlled Purchase Operation (CPO) failures. Between March 2025 and July 2026, only one premises failed a CPO check over three separate CPO campaigns. During this period, no alcohol-related harm incidents were reported to the licensing agencies. In addition, Police-hosted training sessions were well attended, with a high level of participation from licensed premises throughout the district.

2 What changes or trends in licensing have you seen since the Act came into force?

report:

Hearings are held in a more casual way.
Licensees are encouraged to consult with the public including objectors to resolve any objections before the hearing.
Licensees are using Council website (it s free!) as the mean for public noticing of their applications.

3 What changes to practices and procedures under the Act (if any) would you find beneficial?

report:

Recently, the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Sales on Anzac Day Morning, Good Friday, Easter Sunday, and Christmas Day) passed and commenced on the 3 April 2026. This has simplified the rule and helps improve the understanding how rules apply to different types of licensed premises.
The Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Community Participation) Amendment Act 2023 continues to support the involvement of local and community including Maori. Hearing process is simplified and more casual which enhances the understanding of the legal part of the licensing process to the community.

Last Step

1 Please provide to ARLA@justice.govt.nz a separate detailed list of the names, addresses and types of licenced premises currently operating in your licensing district as prescribed in s 65(1) of the Act.

Last step:

File upload:
OD Licence premises list for ARLA.xlsx was uploaded