

Waitaki District Licensing Committee 2015 Annual Report For The Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority

1. Overview Of DLC Workload

There are six members of the DLC, they are Cr P Garvan (Chair), Cr J Hopkins (Deputy Chair), Mr K Scott (Commissioner), Dr J Sutherland, Cr H Perkins and Mrs C Ferguson. Mr Scott heads the "B" committee.

Two members of the committee have attended a training session run by Local Government New Zealand this financial year.

Three committee meetings have been held. There has been a meeting with the New Zealand Police and Medical Officer of Health and all DLC members and one hearing for an Off Licence Renewal – the application was withdrawn.

2. DLC Initiatives

The chair and deputy chair of the DLC spent a night out with the local police to gain insight into local issues.

3. Local Alcohol Policy

The Waitaki District Council does not have a draft or proposed Local Alcohol Policy. Council has taken a "wait and see" approach to await the outcome of appeals before progressing a LAP. We have employed a consultant to start discussions and gather information from concerned groups in the District.

Council is in the process of completing some research to assess what statistical information is available in the district and potential gaps to assist in the development of a LAP when the work commences.

4. Current Legislation

Current legislation remains difficult to interpret and it appears there is little consistency across the country regarding forms and licences.

Legislation regarding the turnover and account statements supporting applications for off-licences in grocery stores needs to be reassessed, especially as the ever increasing cost of tobacco in relation to grocery items is skewing the figures out of proportion.

5. Other Matters

Tri Agency cooperation has improved greatly this year. A joint presentation was held for club managers and staff to help them understand their host responsibilities, and new legislation regarding clubs.

Police resourcing is limited therefore opportunities for tri agency face to face operations remain difficult to organise.

A strong relationship has been built with the Health Authorities, this has reduced the level of perceived duplication in work that lies with the Licensing Inspector.

Changes to laws relating to drink/ driving have had a major effect on the hospitality industry.

There has been a noticeable trend towards greater availability of low alcohol beers which should be positive for a reduction in alcohol related harm.

6. Statistical Information

Attached.



Secretary Waitaki District Licensing Committee

TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY:**Waitaki
District
Council****ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR ENDING:****June 30 2015****On-licence, off-licence and club licence applications received:**

Application Type	Number received in fee category: Very Low	Number received in fee category: Low	Number received in fee category: Medium	Number received in fee category: High	Number received in fee category: Very High
On-licence new		3	8	1	
On-licence variation					
On-licence renewal		8	11	2	
Off-licence new			6	3	
Off-licence variation					
Off-licence renewal			7	2	
Club licence new					
Club licence variation					
Club licence renewal	2	2			
Total number	2	13	32	8	0
Total Fee paid to ARLA (GST incl)	\$ 34.50	\$ 448.50	\$ 1,656.00	\$ 690.00	\$ -

Annual fees for existing licences received:

WDC commenced charging fees in July 2014, other applications were pre July

Licence Type	Number received in fee category: Very Low	Number received in fee category: Low	Number received in fee category: Medium	Number received in fee category: High	Number received in fee category: Very High
On-licence	1	10	13	2	
Off-licence			8	1	
Club licence	1	2			
Total number	2	12	21	3	0
Total Fee paid to ARLA (GST incl)	\$ 34.50	\$ 414.00	\$ 1,086.75	\$ 258.75	\$ -

Managers' certificate applications received:

	Number received
Manager's certificate new	60
Manager's certificate renewal	127
Total number	187
Total Fee paid to ARLA (GST incl)	\$ 5,376.25

Special licence applications received:

	Number received in category: Class 1	Number received in category: Class 2	Number received in category: Class 3
Special licence	4	27	51

Temporary authority applications received:

	Number received
Temporary authority	7

Permanent club charter payments received:

	Number received
Permanent club charter payments	

Total to be paid to ARLA	\$ 9,999.25
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