

The Secretary  
Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority Tribunals Unit  
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Dear Sir/Madam

## **WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE: ANNUAL REPORT 2015/2016**

### **1. Overview of District Licensing Committee**

The Waimakariri District Licensing Committee comprises:

- 3 Part-time Licencing Inspectors
- Part-time Administrator
- Part-time Secretary
- 5 Councillors

The Inspectors' roles also include the inspecting and monitoring of licensed premises. Outside of alcohol licensing their duties extend to their environmental health portfolios covering such areas as food safety, litter, noise, signage and environmental health. A Waimakariri District licensing inspector attends the NZILLI annual conference.

The DLC have held no public hearings over this period.

### **2. District Licensing Initiatives**

In February '16 both the Hurunui District Licensing Committee and Waimakariri District Licensing Committee met with Commissioner Al Lawn (Christchurch) to discuss recent case law, issues and trends impacting on Alcohol Licensing. The day was very successful in terms of networking and identifying training needs and a further session is scheduled for later this calendar year.

The Waimakariri D.L.C. Administration officer attended on behalf of our DLC the Canterbury region cluster group meeting for DLC's in Canterbury. Waimakariri District Licensing Committee members will be in attendance next year for this initiative. It was an excellent networking opportunity with some good ideas shared.

### **3. Local Alcohol Policy**

The Local Alcohol Policy came into force in the Waimakariri District on 16 February 2015. Police, Health and Council believe our Policy is working well. It was recently used in relation to an application for a stand-alone off licence at a shopping centre in a **residential area**. The LAP identified that new stand-alone off licences could only be located in Business Zone 1 & 2 (Primarily the CBD area) and the application for the off licence was promptly withdrawn.

### **4. Current Legislation**

Nil at this time.

## **5. Any other matter the Territorial Authority might wish to draw to the attention of the Authority**

Some frustration has been experienced by the public in terms of lack of consistency with alcohol licensing processes. This frustration has been raised with Councillors and Council and noted also by Commissioners, HANZ managers and Licensing Inspectors. Alcohol licensing processes appear to vary from area to area and this has led to some frustration. By way of comparison, if a person requires a motor vehicle driver's licence then no matter where that person resides in New Zealand, that person will fill out the same forms and go through the same procedures and processes in order to obtain that licence. The same does not apply to alcohol licensing. There are some inconsistencies across the country in relation to forms, practices and procedures. The Waimakariri District Licensing Committee believes the same forms and processes should apply across the country, for alcohol licensing.

## **6. Statistical Information**

### **TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY: WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT ANNUAL RETURN FOR YEAR ENDING: 30 JUNE 2016**

#### **On-licence, off-licence and club licence applications received:**

<b>Application Type</b>	<b>Number received in Fee Category Very Low</b>	<b>Number received in Fee Category: Low</b>	<b>Number received in Fee Category: Medium</b>	<b>Number received in Fee Category: High</b>	<b>Number received in Fee Category: Very High</b>
<b>On-licence new</b>		<b>4</b>	<b>8</b>	<b>1</b>	
<b>On-licence variation</b>					
<b>On-licence renewal</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>13</b>		
<b>Off-licence new</b>			<b>2</b>		
<b>Off-licence variation</b>					
<b>Off-licence renewal</b>	<b>1</b>		<b>10</b>		
<b>Club licence new</b>					
<b>Club licence variation</b>					
<b>Club licence renewal</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>1</b>		
<b>Total number</b>	<b>9</b>	<b>7</b>	<b>34</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total fee paid to ARLA GST included</b>	<b>\$155.25</b>	<b>\$241.50</b>	<b>\$1759.50</b>	<b>\$258.75</b>	<b>\$86.25</b>

**Annual fees for existing licences received:**

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	3	17	27		
Off-licence	2	1	19		
Club Licence	7	3	3		
Total number	12	21	49	7	1
Total Fee paid to ARLA (GST Included)	\$207	\$724.50	\$2535.75	0	0

**Manager' certificate applications received:**

	Number received
Manager's certificate new	82
Manager's certificate renewal	78
Total number	160
Total Fee paid to ARLA (GST included)	\$4600

**Special Licence applications received:**

Number received in category: Class 1	Number received in category: Class 2	Number received in category: Class 3
3	36	62

**Temporary Authority applications received:**

	Number received
Temporary authority	2

**Permanent club charter payments:**

	<b>Number received</b>
<b>Permanent club charter payments</b>	<b>2</b>

Yours faithfully

***Malcolm Johnston***  
***Secretary***  
***WAIMAKARIRI DISTRICT LICENSING AGENCY***