

Annual Report

Section 199, Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012



Purpose

The Hurunui District Council, as a territorial authority, is required deal with alcohol licensing matters within the district and ensure compliance the requirements under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. Section 199 of the Act requires the Council to report annual on the proceedings and operations of the District Licensing Committee during the year. This report fulfils Councils statutory requirement for the financial year from 1 July 2022 through to 30 June 2023.

1. Please provide the name of your District Licensing Committee, and a generic email address:

Hurunui District Licensing Committee

Email: Licensing@hurunui.govt.nz

2. Please provide the name, email, and contact phone number of your Committee's Secretary.

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3. Please name each of your licensing inspectors and provide their email and contact phone number.

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Position: Chief Licensing Inspector

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Name: Nicole Hurinui

Position: Licensing Inspector

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Name: Paula Kloosterman

Position: Licensing Inspector

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4. Questions relating to the number of licences and managers' certificates your Committee issued and refused in the 2022-2023 financial year.

| Licence type | Total |
|---|-------|
| On-licence applications (new and renewed) | |
| Granted | 18 |
| Refused | 0 |
| Off-licence applications (new and renewed) | |

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| Granted | 18 |
| Refused | 0 |
| Club licence applications (new and renewed) | |
| Granted | 3 |
| Refused | 0 |

| Manager's Certificates | Total |
|-------------------------------|--------------|
| New applications | |
| Issued | 39 |
| Refused | 0 |
| Withdrawn | 2 |
| Renewal applications | |
| Renewed | 74 |
| Refused | 0 |
| Withdrawn | 1 |

| Renewals | Total |
|--------------------------------|--------------|
| Licence Renewals Issued | 34 |
| Licence Renewals Refused | 0 |
| Manager's Certificate Renewals | 74 |

Total Licences as of 30 June 2023:

| Licence Type | Total |
|---------------------|--------------|
| On-licence | 51 |
| Off-licence | 53 |
| Club-licence | 15 |

Questions relating to DLC Operations & Experiences in 2023-2023

5. Please comment on any changes or trends in the Committee's workload in 2022-2023.

The Committee's workload in the last financial year has been relatively like the previous financial year. Much of the decision-making has been delivered on the papers by the Chairperson alone, with the Committee convening only one public hearing for an opposed application for variation of licence condition. Applications for special licences have increased this financial year, which is likely to be post-COVID related.

6. Please comment on any new initiatives the Committee has developed/adopted in 2022-2023.
- Tri-Agency Meetings have continued this financial year and have seen a collaborative approach of reporting agencies, to achieve their duty under s. 295 of the Act.
 - The DLC have completed further training and development over the last financial year and increased networking with neighbouring districts.
 - The DLC are planning to implement pre-hearing meetings with parties and put more procedures in place to enable public objectors to participate in alcohol licensing in a more effective manner. This will be tested throughout the new financial year.

7. Questions about the Local Alcohol Policy

(a) Has your Committee developed a Local Alcohol Policy?

Yes

(b) If the answer is yes, what stage is your Local Alcohol Policy at?

In force

8. If the answer to 7A is Yes, what effect do you consider your Local Alcohol Policy is having?

The LAP has had a positive influence over the years, and we consider it provides clear guidance in respect to most issues. This has been most evident with the discretionary condition for the use of outdoor licensed areas to be limited to 12.00am midnight. Council has seen a reduction in noise related complaints for licensed premises. Licensees are generally in support of this discretionary condition being applied to a licence.

9. Questions about the LAP Review

(a) If the answer to 7B is 'in force', is your Local Alcohol Policy due for review?

Yes

(b) If the answer to 9 is Yes, has such a review been undertaken?

Yes

(c) *If yes, with what result?*

Council's Policy Team has completed pre-consultation with the Tri-Agencies and key stakeholders. Formal consultation using the special consultative procedure will follow.

10. Please comment on the ways in which you believe the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 is, or is not, achieving its objectives. Note: the objectives of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 are that:

- a) the sale, supply, and consumption of alcohol should be undertaken safely and responsibly; and
- b) the harm caused by the excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol should be minimised.

We believe the Act is achieving its object. The licensees and managers within our District generally understand the object and their responsibilities to ensure they can achieve it. Where there are transgressions or when issues come to our attention, our alcohol staff aim to work with the licensees and managers to help educate and ensure they have the necessary tools and skills to comply with their duties and obligations under the Act.

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

The organisers of large events within the district are now engaging with the reporting agencies earlier in the alcohol licensing process. Large-scale events are generally being better managed.

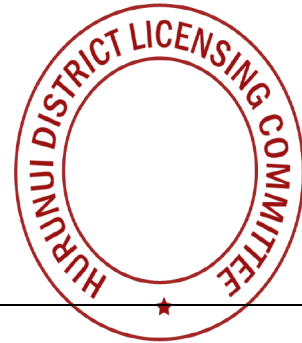
11. What changes to practices and procedures under the Act (if any) would you find beneficial?

- The Licensing Committee and alcohol licensing staff are interested in attending more ARLA hearings, however the information about upcoming hearings is hard to find. We would appreciate if there was notification from ARLA to the relevant District and reporting agencies in which the application relates to
- The Licensing Committee and alcohol licensing inspectors feel that more guidance and training is needed on assessing suitability, including on matters such as financing and worker exploitation, that has come out from case law in recent years.
- The Licensing Committee and alcohol licensing inspectors would like to see greater direction on the single sales of alcohol, including parameters around the size of container, alcohol by volume percentage, pricing, container size etc.

DATED at Amberley this 25th day of August 2023

Kim Margolin

Secretary
Hurunui District Licensing Committee



Appendix 1 – Annual Return to Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority

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| Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority Monthly Return |
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TERRITORIAL AUTHORITY: Hurunui District Licensing Committee

MONTHLY RETURN FOR: from 1/07/22 to 30/06/23

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

| Appl No Applicant | Type | | | | | ARLA Amount |
|------------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Application Type | Very Low | Low | Medium | High | Very High | |
| On-licence new | | | 6 | | | |
| On-licence variation | | | | | | |
| On-licence renewal | 1 | 3 | 12 | | | |
| Off-licence new | 2 | | 2 | | | |
| Off-licence variation | | | 1 | | | |
| Off-licence renewal | 7 | | 8 | | | |
| Club licence new | | | | | | |
| Club licence variation | | | | | | |
| Club licence renewal | 3 | | | | | |
| Total number | 13 | 3 | 29 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total Fee paid | 224.25 | 103.50 | 1500.75 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |

Annual fees for existing licences received:

| Appl No Applicant | Type | | | | | ARLA Amount |
|-----------------------|---------------|---------------|----------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|
| Application Type | Very Low | Low | Medium | High | Very High | |
| On-licence | 1 | 13 | 28 | | | |
| Off-licence | 31 | | 14 | | | |
| Club licence | 12 | 1 | | | | |
| Total number | 44 | 14 | 42 | 0 | 0 | |
| Total Fee paid | 759.00 | 483.00 | 2173.00 | 0.00 | 0.00 | |

Managers' certificate licence applications received:

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| Manager's certificate new | 41 |
| Manager's certificate renewal | 75 |
| Total number | 116 |
| Total Fee paid | 3335.00 |

Special licence applications received:

| | Class 1 | Class 2 | Class 3 |
|-----------------|---------|---------|---------|
| Special licence | 7 | 22 | 57 |

Temporary authority applications received:

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| Temporary authority : | 7 |
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Permanent club charter payments received: 0

Total ARLA Amount: \$8,579.00

DATED at Amberley this 1st day of July 2023

Kim Maghlin



Secretary
Hurunui District Licensing Committee