

Alcohol Licensing Annual Report 2020/2021

Hamilton City Council District Licensing Committee's Annual Report to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority

Questions:

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4. The following questions relate to the number of licences and managers' certificates your Committee issued and refused in the 2020-2021 financial year.

Note: the 2020-2021 financial year runs from 1 July 2020 to 30 June 2021.

Licences 2020-2021

In the 2020-2021 year, how many 'on licences' did your Committee issue?

103

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for 'on licences' did your Committee refuse?

None

In the 2020-2021 year, how many 'off licences' did your Committee issue?

32

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for 'off licences' did your Committee refuse?

None

In the 2020-2021 year, how many club licences did your Committee issue?

3

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for club licences did your Committee refuse?

None

Managers' certificates 2020-2021

In the 2020-2021 year, how many managers' certificates did your Committee issue?

237

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for managers' certificates did your Committee refuse?

2

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for managers' certificates were withdrawn?

9

Licence renewals 2020-2021

In the 2020-2021 year, how many licence renewals did your Committee issue?

350

In the 2020-2021 year, how many licence renewals did your Committee refuse?

None

As at 30 June 2021 what is the total number of licences (new and existing in your licensing district?)

On-licences

173

Off-licences

80

Club licences

20

5. Please comment on any changes or trends in the Committee's workload in 2020-2021.

Comment box

6. Please comment on any new initiatives the Committee has developed/adopted in 2020-2021.

Comment box

7. Has your Committee developed a Local Alcohol Policy?

No

7A. If the answer is yes, what stage is your Local Alcohol Policy at?

Draft

Provisional

Under Appeal to ARLA

Adopted

In force

Abandoned

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

N/A

9. If the answer to 7A is 'in force', is your Local Alcohol Policy due for review?

N/A

10. If the answer to 9 is Yes, has such a review been undertaken; and, if so with what result?

N/A

11. Please comment on the manner in which Covid-19 has impacted on DLC operations.

Any hearings during level 3 are conducted in "zoom" on-line

12. Please comment on the ways in which you believe the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 is, or is not, achieving its object. Note: the object 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;*
and
- b) *the harm caused by the excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol should be minimised.*

It appears that there is a high level of compliance in the local industry following the issue of infringement notices from time to time and controlled purchase operations conducted by the Hamilton Police.

13. To what extent, if any, do you consider that achievement of the object of the Act may have been affected by the Covid-19 pandemic?

It is apparent that there is a lack of direct scrutiny of alcohol sales by some licensees that operate on a remote click & collect basis using various courier companies

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

There is more scrutiny of applicants, licensed premises and their operating procedures and the opportunity to ensure managers and licensees are compliant with the Act because of the extra levels of enforcement (infringements) than was the case in the past.

15. What changes to practices and procedures under the Act would you find beneficial?

We believe that in some areas, the local enforcement agencies and the DLC's lack experience and training which needs to be addressed to better serve those communities.