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Licences and managers' certificates

4 Licences 2020-2021

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

NEW 410;

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

0

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

NEW 153

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

2

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

NEW 6

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

0

5 Manager's certificates 2020-2021

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

NEW 2667 RENEW 3127

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

8

In the 2020-2021 year, how many applications for managers' certificates were withdrawn?:

22

6 Licence renewals 2020-2021

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

1242

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

1

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

On-licences:

2777

Off-licences:

1099

Club licences:

390

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

Workload:

- New club licence applications decreased from last year by approximately 80%
 - On-licence applications have decreased from last year by approximately 50%
- These decreases may be related to Covid-19 affecting businesses.
- Consistently see the same objectors appear at hearings.

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

Initiatives:

- Continued Bi-annual training and information-sharing forums for the DLC
- Introduction of a Chief Commissioner
- Holding more hearings in the community, where it is feasible
- Providing alternatives such as virtual attendance for objectors to join a hearing when they cannot attend in person
- Recruitment/refresh of DLC successfully increased the diversity of the members.

10 Has your Committee developed a Local Alcohol Policy?

Yes

Local Alcohol Policy

11 What stage is your Local Alcohol Policy at?

Under Appeal to ARLA

12 What effect do you consider your Local Alcohol Policy is having?

Local Alcohol Policy effect:

N/A

Final comments

15 Please comment on the manner in which Covid-19 has impacted on DLC operations:

COVID-19:

It has delayed the setting of hearings and has also meant some delays in processing applications due to the Immediate Modification Order; i.e. allowing more reporting time for Police and MoH. Overall, however those delays have been relatively minor

16 Please comment on the ways in which you believe the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 is, or is not, achieving its object:

Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012:

Lack of criteria relating to density, proliferation and not normalising alcohol causes frustration to the community.

The incredibly long and tortuous LAP appeal procedure has brought the Act into disrepute.

Failure of the single alcohol areas to adequately address visibility of alcohol.

17 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?

Act COVID:

Anecdotal evidence is that delivery of remotely sold alcohol has been quite 'loose' at times.

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

Trends:

Almost any premises can now get an on-licence.

Huge growth in remote sales licences without sufficient safeguards on delivery to minors and intoxicated persons..

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

Changes:

DLC able to hold audio-visual hearings as ARLA now can.

Regulation 36(a) changed to allow newspaper notification and / or internet notification.