

AUCKLAND DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

PRACTICE NOTE

STATUS OF OBJECTORS

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At times the status of an objector and the grounds of the objection are questioned by an applicant. In those circumstances, the inspector responsible for the application should refer the objection by the applicant (which may be in the form of a strike out application) to the objector for comment/submissions. The objector will within 5 working days after receiving the referral from the inspector provide the inspector with any comments / submissions. Once the inspector has received the comments/submissions from the objector then the matter should be referred to a chairperson of the Committee either as part of the inspector's report on the application or as a report dealing only with the status of the objector and / or the grounds of the objection. The Committee expects the inspector to have a view on the status of the objector and / or the grounds of the objection which he or she will note in the report.

The chairperson can choose to either make a decision on the matters at the beginning of the hearing or on the papers prior to the hearing.

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