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Dear Sir/ Madam

# TAUPO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE (DLC) ANNUAL REPORT TO THE ALCOHOL REGULATORY & LICENSING AUTHORITY FOR THE YEAR ENDED 30 JUNE 2016

# 1 Overview of the Taupo DLC Workload

The Taupo DLC structure and personnel:

Commissioner: Murray Clearwater

Committee members: Councillor Barry Hickling (Deputy Chairperson), Kathy Sunderland, Councillor John Boddy, Eric Foley, Louise Foley, Michael Knowles,

Wenda Morton, Judy James. DLC Secretary: Scott Devonport

Chief Licensing Inspector: Grant Singer Licensing Inspector: Shane Hancock

#### Staff Training:

The majority of Taupo DLC members, Licensing Inspectors and support staff have attended a number of forums run by various agencies regarding DLC training in this area.

## Change in business:

Overall the Taupo DLC's level of business has remained steady with increases in the areas of New On & Off Licences, as well as New Manager's Applications.

#### DLC meetings or hearings:

The Taupo DLC has had five hearings via teleconference to determine a total of five Temporary Authorities, and three hearings in Taupo to determine a total of six licence applications.

Any noticeable trends or issues: Nil

### 2 DLC Initiatives

#### New initiatives adopted:

The Taupo DLC has continued to meet to determine Temporary Authority Applications via teleconference meetings via phone, which meets the requirements of section 136(3) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

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These teleconferences have worked very well and are an excellent way for the DLC to determine such applications, without the need to meet in person.

The Taupo DLC Chief Alcohol Inspector continues to participate in "Controlled Purchase Operations" (CPO's) with the Taupo Police. Two CPO's were been carried out in conjunction with the Taupo Police on 28 August 2015 and 18 December 2015. As a result of these operations compliance by licensees have increased with fewer premises illegally selling to minors in Taupo.

## 3 Local Alcohol Policy (LAP)

The Taupo District Council has elected not to have a Local Alcohol Policy at this point in time.

## 4 Current Legislation

Nil

5 Any other matters the Territorial Authority might wish to draw to the attention of the Authority

Nil

#### 6 Statistical Information

The annual return in the attached formats are included as part of this report.

Yours faithfully

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Scott Devonport

Secretary

TAUPO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

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