

Reference Number: 2025/1284

8 September 2025



Thank you for your email dated 25 August 2025 requesting off-licence information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). Please see outlined below a response to each part of your request.

The most recent population estimate for your district

38,200 as of 30 June 2024 (Stats NZ)

The number of off-licences in your district in 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and currently

Year	Number of off-licences held in Horowhenua
2021	21
2022	21
2023	20
2024	21
Currently	22

The number of applications to open off-licences in your district over the past three years, broken down by year.

Year	Number of applications to open
2025	3
2024	0
2023	2

The number of times applications for off-licences have been denied due to objections by people in the community over the past three years, broken down by year.

None

Any correspondence your organisation has had with central government agencies or Ministers regarding reforms to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act in the past year.

Our records show one email from Ministry of Justice.

5 August 2024

Email: alcohol <Alcohol@justice.govt.nz>

Changes to winery cellar door licensing are now in force - the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Winery Cellar Door Tasting) Amendment Act 2024

Whether your district has a Local Alcohol Policy (yes or no)

Yes

You are entitled to seek an investigation and review by the Office of the Ombudsman. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Horowhenua District Council publishes responses to Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA) requests that we consider to be of wider public interest, or which relate to a subject that has been widely requested. To protect your privacy, we will not generally publish personal information about you, or information that identifies you. We will publish the LGOIMA response along with a summary of the request on our website. Requests and responses may be paraphrased.

If you would like to discuss this decision or any of the information provided as part of this request, please contact Brent Harvey (Group Manager Community Experience and Services) on brenth@horowhenua.govt.nz, or LGOIMAOfficer@horowhenua.govt.nz.

Ngā mihi | Best regards



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