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## OPEN MEETING

## APOLOGIES

## CONFLICTS OF INTEREST

Members are reminded to indicate any items in which they might have a conflict of interest.

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Please refer to the minutes for resolutions.**

# 1. Minutes: Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee Wednesday 12 June 2013

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*Minutes of a meeting of the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee held in the Council Chamber, Forum North, on Wednesday 12 June 2013 at 11.00am*

**Present:**

Cr M R Williams (Chairperson)

His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth, Crs S J Deeming, S L Morgan and J D T Williamson

**Also Present:**

Crs C B Christie, A J Edwards, S M Glen, P R Halse, G M Martin, B L McLachlan, K J Sutherland and W L Syers

**In attendance:**

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager District Living (P Dell), Group Manager Positive Growth (J Thompson), Maori Relationships Manager (S Tipene), Resource Consents Manager (A Hartstone), Legal Counsel (K Candy), Team Leader Compliance (G Barnsley), Senior Communications Manager (R Pascoe), Environmental Trends Analyst (S Seutter), Councillor Support (J Crocombe) and Senior Meeting Co-ordinator (C Brindle)

Procedural motion

**Moved: Cr Williams**

**Seconded: Cr Williamson**

“That this meeting be adjourned to be reconvened in the Council Chambers at 11.15am today.”

**CARRIED**

**THE MEETING ADJOURNED AT 11.01AM AND RECONVENED IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS, FORUM NORTH AT 11.15AM ON WEDNESDAY 12 JUNE 2013**

**Present:**

Cr M R Williams (Chairperson)

His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth, Crs S J Deeming, S L Morgan and J D T Williamson

**Also Present:**

Paul Reid and Wendy Antrobus (District Health Board), Craig Bain (NZ Fire Services) and T MacKereth (NZ Police)

**In attendance:**

Chief Executive Officer (M P Simpson), Group Manager District Living (P Dell), Team Leader Environmental Health (R Mussle), Team Leader Compliance (G Barnsley) Compliance Officer (K Howie) and Senior Meeting Co-ordinator (C Brindle)

## 1. Confirmation of Minutes of a Meeting of the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee held on 8 May 2013

**Moved Cr Deeming**

**Seconded Cr Williamson**

“That the minutes of the meeting of the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee held on 8 May 2013, including the confidential section, having been circulated, be taken as read and now confirmed and adopted as a true and correct record of proceedings of that meeting.”

**CARRIED**

## 2. Special Exemption from Compliance with Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987 – Darren and Tracey McKenzie

**Moved** Cr Williamson  
**Seconded** Cr Deeming

That having considered the particular characteristics of the property, the swimming pool situated thereon and the occupant(s) of the property, Council is satisfied that there would be no significant increase in danger posed to young children by exempting the swimming pool located at 401 Taiharuru Rd, Whangarei, by the granting of a special exemption with appropriate conditions, and therefore **GRANTS** a special exemption from the compliance requirements of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987. This special exemption is granted pursuant to s.6 of the Act and is granted to Mr and Mrs McKenzie, the owners and occupants of the property under the following conditions:

1. That the exemption is personal to the applicant(s) and will automatically expire upon the property being sold, or ceasing to be personally owned and occupied by the applicant(s).
2. That the applicant(s) must inform any prospective purchaser of the property that the exemption is personal to them and will expire immediately upon completion of the sale.

That the applicant(s) must inform any visitors to the property with young children under 6 years of age, that the immediate pool area is not fully compliant with the Act and as such children must be supervised at all times whilst on the property.”

**CARRIED**

### Exclusion of the public

**Moved** Cr Williamson  
**Seconded** Cr Deeming

“That the public be excluded from the following part(s) of this meeting namely:

Item C.1 Confidential Minutes of the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee meeting held Wednesday 8 May 2013

Item C.2 Operations Report

Reason To protect information which is subject to an obligation of confidence, the publication of such information would be likely to prejudice the supply of information from the same source and it is in the public interest that such information should continue to be supplied.

Grounds Section 7(2)(c)(i).”

**CARRIED**

**Moved:** Cr Deeming  
**Seconded:** Cr Morgan

“That Paul Reid, Wendy Antrobus, Craig Bain and T MacKereth be permitted to remain at this meeting after the public has been excluded because of their knowledge of Item C.2 – Operations Report. Their knowledge will be of assistance in relation to the matter to be discussed.”

**CARRIED**

### The meeting closed at 11.48am

Confirmed this 14<sup>th</sup> day of August 2013

M R Williams (Chairperson)

## 2. Report and Decision of the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee

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**Reporting officer** C Brindle (Senior Meeting Co ordinator)

**Date of meeting** 14 August 2013

***Vision, mission and values***

*This item is in accord with Council's vision, mission and values statement.*

Pursuant to Section 48(1)(d) of the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act the Committee having deliberated on the attached decision makes available to the public.

A copy of the decision is received for information.

### **Recommendation**

That the reports be received.

**Attachment**

[McKenzie Decision](#)

## Report and Decision of the Whangarei District Council through its Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee Meeting held in the Council Chambers, Forum North, Whangarei on Wednesday 12 June 2013 Commencing at 11.15am

A Committee of the Whangarei District Council was convened to determine an application for special exemption from the compliance requirements of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987 (FOSPA), made by Mr D R McKenzie and Mrs T A McKenzie for a swimming pool located on their property at 401 Taiharuru Road, RD 1, Onerahi.

<b>Hearings Committee</b>	Councillor M R Williams (Chairman) Councillor S J Deeming Councillor S L Morgan Councillor J D T Williamson His Worship the Mayor M Cutforth
<b>Applicant</b>	Applicant did not attend
<b>Consent Authority</b>	<b>Whangarei District Council</b>
<b>In Attendance</b>	Mrs K Howie (Compliance Officer) Mr G Barnsley (Team Leader Compliance) C Brindle (Senior Meeting Co-ordinator)

### 1 Application

The Committee considered an application by Mr and Mrs McKenzie to grant a special exemption from the compliance requirements of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987 (FOSPA), for their swimming pool located at 401 Taiharuru Road, RD 1, Onerahi.

### 2 Staff report:

The reporting officer Mrs K Howie summarised the application.

### The Committee determined:

That having considered the particular characteristics of the property, the swimming pool situated thereon and the occupants of the property, Council is satisfied that there would be no significant increase in danger posed to young children by the swimming pool located at 401 Taiharuru Road, Onerahi, or by the granting of a special exemption with appropriate conditions, and therefore **GRANTS** such special exemption from the compliance requirements of the Fencing of Swimming Pools Act 1987. This special exemption is granted pursuant to s.6 of the Act and is granted to Mr D R McKenzie and Mrs T A McKenzie, the owners and occupants of the property under the following conditions:

1. That the exemption is personal to the applicants and will automatically expire upon the property being sold, or ceasing to be personally owned and occupied by the applicants.
2. That the applicants must inform any prospective purchaser of the property that the exemption is personal to them and will expire immediately upon completion of the sale.
3. That the applicants must inform any visitors to the property with young children under 6 years, that the immediate pool area is not fully compliant with the Act and as such children must be supervised at all times whilst on the property.

Issued this \_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_ 2013

Councillor M R Williams  
**Chairperson**

### 3. Functions of the Whangarei District Licensing Agency - Annual Report for the 12 month period ended 30 June 2013

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**Reporting officer** Reiner Mussle (Team Leader Environmental Health)

**Date of meeting** 14 August 2013

#### **Background**

Under Section 105 of the Sale of Liquor Act 1989, District Licensing Agencies must each year prepare and send to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority in Wellington a report of that Agency's proceedings and operations during that financial year. A draft report to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority is attached.

#### **Recommendation**

That the Whangarei District Licensing Agency adopts the report for the 12 month period ended 30 June 2013 and forwards it to the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority.

#### **Attachment**

[Functions of the Whangarei District Licensing Agency – Annual Report for the 12 month period ended 30 June 2013](#)



## Functions of the Whangarei District Licensing Agency Annual report for the 12 month period ended 30 June 2013

### 1 Overview of the Agency's Workload

#### Structure of Whangarei District Licensing Agency

The functions of the Agency are dealt with by Councils - Licensing, Exemption and Objections Committee under delegated authority from Council, with functions further sub-delegated by the Licensing, Exemptions and Objections Committee to the Agency Secretary. The determination of unopposed licence applications including new On, Off and Club Licences, grant and renewals of managers certificates, special licences and temporary authorities, waivers under s111 have been sub delegated to the Chief Executive Officer, Mr Mark Simpson as the Agency Secretary. These matters are dealt with on the papers. Opposed applications for which the Agency has authority to determine (special licenses, temporary authorities, applications under s134, etc) are dealt with by way of public hearing as and when required. The Agency members were as follows:

- Councillor M R Williams (Chairperson)
- Councillor S L Morgan
- Councillor J D T Williamson
- Councillor S L Deeming
- His Worship the Mayor M C A Cutforth.

#### Agency Staff

The Whangarei District Licensing Agency (DLA) has appointed Council Environmental Health Officers and the Regulatory Services Manager, as Licensing Inspectors.

The names of Licensing Inspectors currently appointed by the Agency are as follows:

- Grant Couchman, Regulatory Services Manager
- Reiner Mussle, Team Leader Environmental Health
- Maggie Wan, Senior Specialist Environmental Health
- Ketura Lambert, Environmental Health Officer
- Emmanuel Platero, Environmental Health Officer

#### Increase/Decrease in Business

There has been an approximately 10% decrease in the total number of applications received by the Agency during the year, compared with the 2011-2012 reporting period (655 this year compared to 730 over the previous period). This decrease can be attributed mainly to a decrease in special licence applications received (52 less applications this year). There have also been less variation application this year than last year and the number of renewal application, for both licensed premises and manager certificates has also fallen by approximately 10% when compared with the previous reporting period. The fewer number licence renewal applications received this year are attributed to the annual variation in renewal patterns, which sees more renewals in one year and less in others. The only areas which have seen an increase in the numbers of applications received are eight (8) new Off licence applications this year, compared with three (3) last year and a substantial increase in Temporary Authorities applications from 13 last year to 24 this year. This perhaps as a result of applicant's ability to defer their application for a new licence till after 18 June 2013, as per the provisions of the new Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. After reporting a 20% increase in the number of monitoring inspections conducted by Agency Inspectors during the 2010/11 period, the number of inspections conducted this year returned to those levels reported prior to this period.

Please note that this figure does not include monitoring work undertaken by our enforcement partners within the Whangarei Alcohol Monitoring group, without DLA inspector's present i.e. Police / Health / Fire, who conducted a number of monitoring operations in addition to the usual Controlled Purchase Operations.

### **Meetings/Hearings/Other Business**

The Whangarei DLA meets, on an 'as-and-when' required basis, to determine opposed applications and other matters for which it has authority. Day to day determination of non opposed applications is undertaken through delegated authority to Council's Chief Executive Officer. There were no opposed applications or other matters for the Agency to consider.

During the year the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority (ARLA) met and held hearings in Whangarei on one occasion, determining a total of ten (10) applications. Four of which dealt with performance breaches and six were opposed applications. Below follows a short summary of each application determined by the Authority:

- Application under s.18 of the Act for the renewal of an on-licence held by Malbas Bar & Nightclub Limited trading as 'Malbas'

The Authority heard an application opposed by the Agency, as the Agency sought to vary the conditions of the licence at renewal in order to comply with the Agency's new liquor policy, as a 'test' case. The Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 241) adjourned the application in order for the Agency to forward all other applications held (parked) by the Agency as opposed applications to the Authority to be dealt with at a future hearing date.

- Application for the Suspension of On-licence held by Rynoz (2004) Limited trading as 'Rynoz'

An application by Police pursuant to s.132 of the Act for the suspension of on-licence due to alleged failures to promote/provide food and for allowing intoxication on the premises during an earlier Food & Intoxication Audit. The application was heard by the Authority during their 19 March 2013 Whangarei hearings and the Authority in decision (2013 NZARLA PH 242-243) suspended the on-licence for 24 hours from 7.00 am on Saturday 30 March 2013.

- An application for the suspension of the General Manager's Certificate held by Hannah Emily Phillipa ALLNUTT

Police applied under s.135 for the suspension of Ms. ALLNUTT's General Manager's Certificate as she was the duty manager during the failed Food & Intoxication Audit conducted at Rynoz (see aforementioned case) The Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 242-243) suspended the General Manager Certificate held by Ms. ALLNUTT for 14 days from 30 March 2013.

- Application for the Suspension of On-licence held by BSSC Limited trading as 'Bank St Social Club'

An application by Police, pursuant to s.132 of the Act, for the suspension of on-licence, due to an alleged failure to promote/provide food on the premises during an earlier Food & Intoxication Audit. The Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 244-245) commented that this failure occurred shortly after the issue of the licence and was as a result of "teething" issues. The Authority determined to adjourn the application for six months to give the licensee and the general manager an opportunity to remedy the staff training issues which had been identified during the hearing.

- An application for the suspension of the General Manager's Certificate held by Benjamin Philip SMITH

Police applied under s.135 for the suspension of Mr. SMITH's General Manager's Certificate as he was the duty manager during the failed Food Audit conducted at the 'Bank St Social Club' premises (see aforementioned case).

The Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 244-245) commented that this failure occurred shortly after the issue of the licence and was as a result of "teething" issues. The Authority determined to adjourn the application for six months to give the licensee and the general manager an opportunity to remedy the staff training issues which had been identified during the hearing.

- Application for Suspension of General Manager's Certificate held by Briar Maree WINTON

An application pursuant to s.135 of the Act for suspension of Briar Maree WINTON's, General Manger's Certificate was made by Police to the Authority questioning Ms. WINTON's suitability. The application centred on the fact that Ms. WINTON had been apprehended driving her motor vehicle with an excess alcohol breath level and had subsequently been convicted and fined. The Authority in (2013 NZARLA PH 247-248) commented that 11 months had passed since the conviction and the date of the suspension application was made by police. The Authority further commended that in this case 'justice delayed is justice denied' and as a result no order was made relating to this application. Prior to the hearing Ms. WINTON's had also applied for the renewal of her General Manager's Certificate which had become due on 10 January 2013. Police also opposed this application based upon the aforementioned reasons. The Authority granted the renewal application, but in light of the aforementioned matter for a truncated term of 12 months from 10 January 2013.

- Opposed application for a General Manager's Certificate – Phillip Marcus Myles MORRELL.

The Agency received an application pursuant to s.118 of the Act for a new General Manager's Certificate from Phillip Marcus Myles MORRELL. Police initially opposed the application, but during the hearing withdrew their opposition. As a result the Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 246) granted the application.

- Opposed application for a General Manager's Certificate – Nichola Te Aroha PAWA

The Agency received an application pursuant to s.118 of the Act for a new General Manager's Certificate from Nichola Te Aroha PAWA. Police opposed the application, due to a recent conviction of driving a motor vehicle with an excess breath alcohol level and subsequently driving whilst disqualified. Case law stipulates that at least two years must past from the last offence, before an applicant becomes eligible for a General Manager's Certificate. As this was not the case here the Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 252) refused the application.

- Opposed application for a General Manager's Certificate – Richard Samuel PAWA

The Agency received an application pursuant to s.118 of the Act for a new General Manager's Certificate from Richard Samuel PAWA. Both the inspector and Police opposed the application, due to a suitability concerns. There was no appearance by the applicant during the hearing and as a result the Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 253) refused the application.

- Opposed application for the renewal of a General Manager's Certificate – Te Ruinga Pomare Haurakai NATHAN

The Agency received an application pursuant to s.123 of the Act for the renewal of a General Manager's Certificate from Te Ruinga Pomare Haurakai NATHAN. Police opposed the application, due to a domestic assault incident involving disorderly behaviour and subsequent 'bad behaviour' during an interview with Police and the Agency inspector. The Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA PH 249) stated that, in a situation such as this, the Authority would grant the application, but for a truncated term. However as this applicant's General Manager's certificate had already expired on 7 October 2011 and that this matter had been outstanding for some time, it was not practicable to truncate the term of the renewal certificate. During the hearing the applicant undertook to only use his certificate at Off-licensed premises and the Authority therefore granted the application for a term of three years as from 7 October 2011.

## 2 New Initiatives

No new initiatives were implemented during the review period. The Agency's current Liquor Licensing Policy was adopted by Council in August 2010 and no review is as yet required.

## 3 Enforcement and Inspections

### Routine Monitoring

Whangarei District has a total of 194 liquor licensed premises, holding 216 licences. Licences were made up of 93 on-licenses, 67 off-licenses and 56 club-licenses. All premises have been inspected at least once during the year by licensing inspectors. A number of other special monitoring visits were made together with agency partners (Police/Health/Fire), after hours and on weekends. A total of 269 inspections of licensed premises have been carried out during the year.

### Targeted Monitoring

During the year the programme of monitoring visits, targeting high risk premises, at peak operating times continued. Team members from the Police, District Licensing Agency Inspectors, NZ Fire Service and Northland Health (Northland District Health Board) meet monthly to determine an inspection programme targeting premises identified, as high risk. Visits are generally made after hours on Wednesday and Friday nights and on Saturday's. Any non-compliance issues are attended to in accordance with an agreed graduated response enforcement protocol, which is outlined in clause 21 of the Whangarei District Licensing Agency's, Liquor Licensing Policy.

### Control Purchase Operations and Food & Intoxication Audits

The Police and District Health Board staff conducted various Controlled Purchase Operations (CPO's) and Food & Intoxication Audits in the Whangarei District during the year.

The CPO's targeted 32 on- and off-licensed premises, including bottle stores, supermarkets, grocery stores, taverns, night clubs and restaurants and resulted in five (5) sales to minors, more that double the two failures reported during last year.

The Food & Intoxication Audits targeted 13 premises of which 7 failed, a similar number as last year. These negative outcomes were further discussed during the Alcohol Monitoring Group meetings and in accordance with a graduated response module, were followed up by interviewing licensees and responsible duty managers. In most cases the outcome was an application of suspension under s.132 and s.135 of the Act.

Some of these actions are detailed below:

- The DLA inspector negotiated a voluntary suspension of the on-licence held by Whangarei Hotel Limited trading as 'Heaven' and Mary Elizabeth Bonner KRIPPNER's, General Manager's Certificate under s.132 and s.135 of the Act, respectively for the failure to provide & promote food during a Food & Intoxication Audit. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2012 NZLLA 1157-1158) and suspended the on licence for 24 hours from 11.00 am on Friday the 16 November 2012 and Ms. KRIPPNER's General Manager's Certificate for two weeks from Monday 19th November 2012.
- Police made application for a negotiated suspension of the off-licence held by Shreeji Enterprise NZ Limited trading as 'Tui Crescent Foodmarket' and the General Manager's Certificate held by Nimeshkumar SHAH for failing a Controlled Purchase Operation. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 99-100) and suspended the off licence for 24 hours from 9.00 am Friday 12 April 2013 and Mr. SHAH's General Manager's Certificate for three weeks from Friday 12 April 2013.
- Police made application for a negotiated suspension of the on-licence held by Bacio Bar Limited trading as 'Bacio' and the General Manager's Certificate held by Desmond Charles WALLACE for failing a Controlled Purchase Operation. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 166-167) and suspended the on licence for 24 hours from 8.00 am Friday 17 May 2013 and Mr. WALLACE's General Manager's Certificate for three weeks from Friday 17 May 2013.
- Police made application for a negotiated suspension of the on-licence held by Tiki Escape Limited trading as 'Tikipunga Tavern' and the General Manager's Certificate held by Karen Faye GREGORY for failing a second Controlled Purchase Operation. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 94-95) and suspended the on licence for 2 days from 8.00 am Friday 5 April 2013 and Ms. GREGORY's General Manager's Certificate for four weeks from Friday 29 May 2013. During a subsequent rehearing pursuant to s.110(3) of the Act the Authority in its decision (2013 NZARLA 214) suspended the on licence held by Tiki Escape Limited for 2 days from 8.00 am on Friday 26 April 2013 until 8.00 am on Sunday 28 April 2013.
- Police made application for a negotiated suspension of the on-licence held by K & D Marsland Limited trading as 'Split Bar and Restaurant' and the General Manager's Certificate held by Daniel Scott MARSLAND for failing a Food & Intoxication Audit in that the licensee conducted the premises in breach of the provisions of s.155 of the Act by allowing two patrons becoming intoxicated on the premises. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2012 NZLLA 1302-1303) and suspended the on licence for 24 hours from 7.00 am on Saturday 29 December 2012 and Mr. MARSLAND's General Manager's Certificate for two weeks from Monday 7 January 2013.
- Police made application for a negotiated suspension of the off-licence held by Connemara Company Limited trading as 'Super Liquor Whangarei' for failing a Controlled Purchase Operation. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 575) and suspended the off licence for 24 hours from 9.00 am on Saturday 29 June 2013.

#### Other enforcement actions resulting in applications to the Authority

- During the year Police also negotiated a voluntary suspension of Kim Tracy BROWN's, General Manager's Certificate under s.135 of the Act the grounds being that the conduct of the manager had been such as to show that she is not a suitable person to hold a certificate.

The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2012 NZLLA 1207) and suspended the Certificate for two weeks from Monday 3 December 2012.

- Police negotiated a voluntary suspension of Robert Michael Ian GRANT's General Manager's Certificate under s.135 of the Act on the ground that the conduct of the manager has been such as to show that he is not a suitable person to hold the certificate following an earlier 'drink driving' conviction. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 29) and suspended the Mr. GRANT's Certificate for three weeks from Monday 4 March 2013.
- Police made application under s.132 of the Act for a negotiated suspension of the on-licence held by Bank Street 43 Limited trading as 'The Ballroom' and under s.135 of the Act for the General Manager's Certificate held by Rodney Paul SORENSEN for conducted the premises in breach of the provisions of s.168 of the Act - allowing drunkenness or disorderly conduct on the licensed premises; and that the manager failed to conduct the licensed premises in a proper manner. The Authority ratified this application in their decision (2013 NZARLA 337-338) and suspended the on licence for 24 hours from 11.00 am on Saturday 25 May 2013 and Mr. SORENSEN's General Manager's Certificate for two weeks from Monday 20 May 2013.

#### **4 Liaison with Other Agency Groups**

##### **Whangarei Alcohol Accord**

The Whangarei Alcohol Accord was formed in March 2002 and has membership drawn from Licensees, the Police, Northland District Health Board (NDHB), NZ Fire Service, Clubs NZ, Hospitality Association of New Zealand (HANZ), RoadSafe Northland, Whangarei District Licensing Agency (DLA), Accident Compensation Co-operation (ACC), and Spear Hospitality Training provider. The Whangarei District Council during the previous year had reviewed its role in the Accord and as a result the operations of the Accord were changed by reducing face to face meetings to twice a year, or as required and the introduction of a quarterly newsletter. This newsletter was sent to all licensees and not just Accord member, thus being much more effective in reaching its target audience. Council's funding of a coordinator was also limited to the facilitating the Accord's annual Host Responsibility Award, which council was keen to continue with. Pertinent issues and initiatives delivered by the Accord during the year include:

- **The Host Responsibility Award**

This has now become a prestigious award and previously has gained extensive media coverage.

The winners of the award for the 2011/12 year were Parua Bay Tavern, who won the on-licence award and Cactus Liquor, who won the off-licence award.

This year has seen a change in the way that premises will be nominated and the way that the winners will be selected and as a result of this the winner of the 2012/13 year has not as yet been finalised.

- **LCQ Bar Staff training**

Funding is provided by Northland Road Safety Trust. This year the response was again overwhelming with 16 staff participated and completing the training course.

#### **5 Northland Interagency Enforcement Focus Group**

The Northland Interagency Enforcement Focus Group meets quarterly to discuss licensing issues with the aim of promoting consistency of enforcement in Northland. Group members include licensing inspectors from the three Northland Licensing Agencies (Far North, Kaipara and Whangarei), Police, Fire Services and Northland Health Ltd - Health Promotion staff.

## 6 Liquor Management Bylaw

The Liquor Management Bylaw adopted by Council in 2011 was amended during the 2011/12 reporting period by the expansion of the liquor ban areas to include certain commercial areas situated in suburban centres and no change to these areas was implemented during this reporting period.

The Bylaw provides for the Chief Executive Officer to grant special dispensation to allow for special occasions and community events where alcohol is consumed on beaches, as part of that function.

Despite repeated requests Police have not provided any data on 'Breach of the Liquor Ban' offences in the period between 1 July 2012 and 30 June 2013.

## 7 Statistical Information

Applications received and other matters processed during the year ending 30 June 2013

<b>Type</b>	<b>Number applications received</b>
On Licence – new	10
Off Licence – new	8
Club Licence – new	0
<b>Type</b>	<b>Number applications received</b>
Managers – new	125
Managers – renewal	239
Temporary Authorities	24
Variations	1
On licence - renewal	23
Off licence - renewal	21
Club Licence - renewal	28
Redefinition of premises	3
Special Licenses	173
Inspections of Licensed premises	269

M R Williams

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