

# Another Liquor Licence Application Yeah Nah



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- ⦿ Some important information about the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012
- ⦿ Key words in the Act
- ⦿ Gathering information/evidence
- ⦿ What to do with it
- ⦿ Objectors and your constituents
- ⦿ Prior to and at the hearing
- ⦿ Keeping the momentum going

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- ⦿ This is a ‘new’ system of control over the sale and supply of alcohol
- ⦿ Includes consumption
- ⦿ Characteristics include ‘reasonableness’
- ⦿ Has a local component
- ⦿ About minimizing the harm
- ⦿ Allows for a local alcohol policy

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## Some new words

- ⦿ Amenity and good order
- ⦿ Reasonable
- ⦿ Minimizing Harm
- ⦿ Precautionary approach
- ⦿ Criteria for the issue of licences

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## Some thoughts to discuss

- ⦿ Key driver of the Act is increased local decision-making
- ⦿ A precautionary approach may be used (providing it is evidentially based).
- ⦿ Changes to reduce trading hours must be backed-up by local evidence.
- ⦿ It is important to identify local issues using local information – it's the local that counts!
- ⦿ Use the best local evidence available use statistics and personal experiences.

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## Gathering evidence and some stories

- ⦿ Keep it local
- ⦿ Work with the agencies
- ⦿ Consider a small community based group to support other data and local stories that support the evidence
- ⦿ Other sources – Ambulance, ACC
- ⦿ Maybe meet regularly
- ⦿ New licences will always be a challenge

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## Supporting Objectors

- ⦿ Getting the message out there
- ⦿ Publish on the web?
- ⦿ Stick to the criteria
- ⦿ Support the community or appear before DLC?
- ⦿ Objectors will likely be nervous
- ⦿ Written evidence is best
- ⦿ Tell their stories



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The criteria – 105 – 106 – 142

- ⦿ Object of the Act
- ⦿ Suitability
- ⦿ Local Alcohol Policy
- ⦿ Services
- ⦿ Design and Layout
- ⦿ Amenity and Good order
- ⦿ Systems and Training
- ⦿ Any other matters

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## Special licences

- ◉ Additional to section 105
- ◉ Applicants proposal
- ◉ Large events – management plan
- ◉ Consent issues
- ◉ Police and Council views

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## What else

- ⦿ Find and use relevant local information
- ⦿ Keep the community informed on what is happening
- ⦿ New licences will be the most difficult to deal with
- ⦿ Petitions are only part of the plan
- ⦿ What is the best role for a Community Board
- ⦿ Advocate or support – Acting on behalf of the community at a hearing
- ⦿ This is not a bad piece of legislation – just some bits missing

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## The Future

- ⦿ Community Boards are important in their communities
- ⦿ They represent and act as an advocate for the interests of the community
- ⦿ The community should be heard
- ⦿ You can help with advice, support, information and connecting with the right people
- ⦿ Stick to the Act

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Thank You

