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LG25-0300 - ALCOHOL LICENSING

REQUEST FOR OFFICIAL INFORMATION – RELEASE OF INFORMATION

Thank you for your request for information held by the Queenstown Lakes District Council (QLDC). On 13 October 2025 you requested the following information under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA):

- 1. How many alcohol licence applications have received objections during the set period [1] July 2024 to [30] June 2025? Did those objections come from within the TA [Territorial Authority] boundary? If not, where [did those objections come from]? Were these [objections] given weight or dismissed?
- 2. Numbers of any hairdressers or barbers within the district that hold a liquor licence.
- 3. Any enforcement action taken against hairdressers and barbers for unauthorised sale of alcohol.
- 4. Numbers for any wineries, breweries, meaderies, distilleries that hold both an on-license and off-licence.
- 5. Numbers of renewal alcohol licence applications that have been declined based off a relevant LAP [Local Alcohol Policy].

QLDC RESPONSE

Release of information

In response to your request, we consulted with the Alcohol Licensing Team.

1. How many alcohol licence applications have received objections during the set period [1] July 2024 to [30] June 2025? Did those objections come from within the TA [Territorial Authority] boundary? If not, where [did those objections come from]? Were these [objections] given weight or dismissed?

Between 1 July 2024 and 30 June 2025, four alcohol licence applications submitted to QLDC received objections from parties all located within the Territorial Authority boundary.

2. Numbers of any hairdressers or barbers within the district that hold a liquor licence.

As at the date of this request, one barber within the QLDC district holds a liquor licence.

3. Any enforcement action taken against hairdressers and barbers for unauthorised sale of alcohol.

No enforcement action has been taken against hairdressers and/or barbers for the unauthorised sale of alcohol.

4. Numbers for any wineries, breweries, meaderies, distilleries that hold both an on-license and off-licence.

On-license and Off-license Premises	Total Number
Wineries	6
Breweries	3
Meaderies	0
Distilleries	1

5. Numbers of renewal alcohol licence applications that have been declined based off a relevant LAP [Local Alcohol Policy].

No alcohol licence applications have been declined on the basis of a Local Alcohol Policy, as QLDC does not currently have one in place.

Right to review the above decision

Note that you have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about this process is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please contact Naell.Crosby-Roe@qldc.govt.nz (Director Democracy Services).

We trust that the above information satisfactorily answers your request.

Kind regards,



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