

4 September 2025



Tēnā koe 

LOCAL GOVERNMENT OFFICIAL INFORMATION AND MEETINGS ACT Request: 2025-42

Thank you for your email of Monday 25 August 2025 to the Carterton District Council requesting the following information:

1. *"The most recent population estimate for your district*
2. *The number of off-licences in your district in 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and currently*
3. *The number of applications to open off-licences in your district over the past three years, broken down by year*
4. *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*
5. *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*
6. *Whether your district has a Local Alcohol Policy (yes or no)"*

Your request has been considered under the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (the Act). Our response to your request is in the number order of your request below.

1. The most recent population estimate for Carterton is 10,300 as at 30 June 2024 (source: Stats NZ <https://tools.summaries.stats.govt.nz/places/TA/carterton-district>) The most recent population forecast data can be viewed here: [Population forecast 2024 to 2056](#).
2. The number of off-licences in our district for the following years are listed below.

Year	No:
2021	13
2022	13
2023	13
2024	11

3. The number of applications to open off-licences in our district over the past three years are listed below.

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Year	No:
2021	3
2022	2
2023	3
2024	0

4. Over the past three years, there were no applications for off-licences that had been denied due to objections by people in the community.
5. In the past year, there were no correspondence received from central government or Ministers regarding reforms to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act.
6. Yes, we do have a Local Alcohol Policy which can be viewed here: [Policies & Guidelines | Carterton District Council](#)

Please note, the Council proactively publishes LGOIMA responses on our website. As such, we may publish this response on our website after five working days. Your name and contact details will be removed.

Thank you again for your email. You have the right to ask an Ombudsman to review this decision. You can do this by writing to info@ombudsman.parliament.nz or Office of the Ombudsman, PO Box 10152, Wellington 6143.

Nāku noa, nā



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