



Waikirikiri Selwyn communities to have their say on rules for selling alcohol

Where and when should you be able to buy alcohol in Waikirikiri Selwyn?

That's the question Waikirikiri Selwyn communities are being asked as the Council seeks feedback on whether the Local Alcohol Policy is still meeting their expectations.

Residents can now let the Council know whether they agree with the policy as it is, or would like to see changes, with feedback welcome through a short online survey from 5-18 August 2024.

The review is looking at where and when alcohol can be sold and advertised, and whether these rules are what the community wants. This includes things such as opening times, the locations where alcohol can be sold, the number of on and off-licenses allowed in different areas, and alcohol advertising rules.

Council Head of Regulatory Susan Atherton says the Council is keen to hear from a wide variety of people to understand how they think alcohol should be managed in the district.

“Our Local Alcohol Policy was adopted in 2017. Not only is it now due to be reviewed, but our district has developed and changed a lot since that time. We want to know if

the policy is still fit for purpose or whether our community's expectations around the sale and supply of alcohol have changed."

"The feedback from this survey will help us to develop a revised Local Alcohol Policy, which will then go out for formal consultation with our community in October. Please share your thoughts with us so that we can make a robust and well-considered policy."

It is anticipated that an updated Local Alcohol Policy for Waikirikiri Selwyn would be ready to implement in early 2025.

To learn more about the review and provide feedback, visit selwyn.govt.nz/alcoholpolicy. The survey is open until 18 August.

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