



3 September 2025



Local Government Official Information Request

Thank you for your request for information from Council. All requests to the Council for information are required to be considered in accordance with the Local Government Official Information and Meetings Act 1987 (LGOIMA). More information about how the Council handles LGOIMA requests can be found in the Council's LGOIMA Request Policy which is available on the Council's website [LGOIMA Request Policy: Rangitikei District Council](#).

Your request for information was received on 26 August 2025 and requested information about the district population estimate together with information about on and off licences. Your questions, and our response can, be found below:

Question 1:

The most recent population estimate for your district

Response:

The most recent population estimate for the Rangitikei District, as provided by Statistics New Zealand, is 16,200 people. This figure is as of 30 June 2024. The Regional Economic Profile for the Rangitikei District, including population estimates, is publicly available through the following link: [Regional Economic Profile | Rangitikei District | Population growth](#).

Question 2:

The number of off-licences in your district in 2021, 2022, 2023, 2024 and currently

Response:

The number of off-licences in the Rangitikei District, by year, is provided in the table below.

Year	2021	2022	2023	2024	2025 (Currently)
Number of off-licences	12	12	12	13	13

Question 3:

The number of applications to open off-licences in your district over the past three years, broken down by year

Response:

We have assumed that the 'past three years' refers to 2022, 2023 and 2024. However, for ease we have also provided information in relation to the current year (2025).

- In 2022 there were no applications to open off-licences in the Rangitikei District.
- In 2023 there were two applications to open off-licences in the Rangitikei District.
- In 2024 there were four applications to open off-licences in the Rangitikei District.
- For 2025, to date, there have been no applications to open off-licences within the Rangitikei District.

Question 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

Response:

We have assumed that the 'past three years' refers to 2022, 2023 and 2024. However, for ease we have also provided information in relation to the current year (2025). There have been no applications for off-licences denied due to objections by people in the community over the past three years, or during the current year to date. The breakdown by year is provided below:

- 2022, none
- 2023, none
- 2024, none
- 2025 (year to date), none

Question 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.

Response:

Rangitikei District Council has not had any correspondence with central government agencies or Ministers regarding reforms to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act in the past year.

Question 6:

Whether your district has a Local Alcohol Policy (yes or no).

Response:

No, Rangitikei District Council does not have a Local Alcohol Policy.

You have the right to seek an investigation and review by the Ombudsman of this decision. Information about how to make a complaint is available at www.ombudsman.parliament.nz or freephone 0800 802 602.

Please note that it is our policy to proactively release our responses to official information requests, where appropriate. Our response to your request will be published shortly at

<https://www.rangitikei.govt.nz/council/about/contact-us/official-information> with your personal information removed.

If you wish to discuss this decision with us, please feel free to contact [REDACTED] 06 327 0099.

Yours sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'L. Macdonald', is centered within a light gray rectangular box.

Leanne Macdonald
Group Manager Corporate Services