



5th July 2019

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Dear Seann

REF: IR-01-19-18006

### **Request for information**

I am writing to you in response to your email received by New Zealand police on 13<sup>th</sup> June 2019, which was made pursuant to the Official Information Act 1982 and specifically requested:

- 1. Please provide me will all research used by police in developing the SCAB assessment tool indicators.*

I have considered your request in accordance with the Official information Act 1982. Below is the New Zealand Police response to your request.

As discussed in detail on our phone call on the afternoon of July 4<sup>th</sup>, The New Zealand Police together with the Health Promotion Agency (HPA), Hospitality New Zealand (HANZ) and representatives from Health joined together to put the SCAB intoxication assessment tool together as a result of the changes in alcohol legislation with the incoming 2012 Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act. As intoxication is a subjective test the industry and the regulators wanted a tool to be able to assess intoxication, so that we were all on the same page. This tool has been very successfully used since inception throughout New Zealand.

Further to our conversation, we spoke about you not being served another drink in an establishment in central Wellington. Any Manager has the right to refuse service to anyone that they want to. As discussed, this is quite separate to the use of the SCAB assessment tool.

You have the right, under section 28(3) of the official Information Act 1982, to ask the Ombudsman to review my decision if you are not satisfied with the way I have responded to your request.

If you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact me.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read 'B. Register', with a long horizontal line extending to the right.

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