1. Concerns held by the majority of the community is evidenced by a petition *(ATTACHED)* against the above application for an Off-License. The relevance of those who have signed this petition:
   1. live in this District where there are two licensed bottle stores, and three licensed liquor outlets in Murupara and Galatea. The District being: Ruatahuna, Minginui, Te Whaiti, Murupara, Galatea, Waiohau and Kaingaroa Forest Village is included as villagers also shop and do business in Murupara.
   2. are employed in Murupara during the proposed hours of operation
   3. work within Iwi, Health, Social and Education at all levels. Therefore can be expert in the negative impacts of alcohol and thus engaged with whanau needing support in one if not all areas. Hence all working together to build a stronger, more resilient community and District.
   4. Ages and gender give some indication, it is not only the adults who want to have a say.
   5. are purchasers of alcohol and see no need for another Liquor Outlet.
   6. Young people and young adults who signed do not want to see their hard work undone. (Youth Leadership Projects Team – Winners of the 2015 Trust Power Community Awards representing Whakatane District 2016 National Trust Power Community Awards.)
   7. Local Marae and Sports Clubs that promote an alcohol free culture, this is a long process and has taken many years to change attitudes and behaviour. There is still much to do in bringing a community to resilience.