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Sanikiluaq to remain prohibited community

IQALUIT, Nunavut (February 5, 2019) – In a plebiscite held February 4, Sanikiluaq residents voted to continue the current system of liquor prohibition. Sixty-three per cent of voters were against moving towards a restricted quantities system for alcohol.

Under the *Liquor Act*, at least 60 per cent of voters are needed to change the status of a community from prohibited to restricted quantities.

“At this time, the residents of Sanikiluaq have decided that the community should remain prohibited. If at a later date residents wish to revisit the matter, a request for a new plebiscite can be sent to the Minister of Finance,” said Minister of Finance, George Hickes.

The consumption, possession, purchase, sale or transport of liquor will continue to be prohibited in Sanikiluaq.

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