Minute number: 057-2024

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of

Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application

by Weheka
Accommodation Limited
pursuant to s.127 of the Act
for the renewal of the ON
Licence for premises situated
at 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier
known as "Distinction Hotel
Fox Glacier"

BEFORE THE WESTLAND DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Murray Clearwater Chairperson

This is an application by Weheka Accommodation Limited for the renewal of the ON Licence for premises situated at 15 Main Road, Fox Glacier known as "Distinction Hotel Fox Glacier."

The business operates as a hotel with a licensed lounge and dining room from 2.00pm to 11.00pm.

The licence expired on the 29th of November 2022 and the renewal application has stalled due to lack of action from the applicant around the Fire Evacuation Scheme and on-site duty managers.

The apparent delays in repairing these deficiencies have brought the applicant's ongoing suitability in to question.

Direction

Within 5 working days of receiving this Direction Minute, the applicant must satisfy the Fire Service that it has, and is maintaining, an Evacuation Scheme. Evidence of same is to be delivered to the DLC.

Within those same 5 working days the applicant must also provide details to the Inspectorate of all the certificated managers appointed to this business.

On 29 April 2024 the complete file is to be forwarded to the Police and MOoH for urgent reports.

The Inspector is then to update their interim report.

Meantime I cannot consider this renewal on the papers. It will need to be determined after a hearing before a full quorum of the DLC.

Update

As the DLC has not been provided with an update the hearing date is now set for Tuesday 28 May 2024 at 2.00pm.

The Police, MOoH and the Inspector are to lodge and disclose the evidence they intend to rely on with the DLC Secretariat by 5.00pm on Monday the 13th of May 2024.

The applicant is to lodge their response by 5.00pm on Monday the 20th of May 2024.

Dated at Hokitika this 1st day of May 2024

Murray Clearwater Commissioner

Westland District Licensing Committee.

