?IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act

2012

AND

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of an application for a special licence pursuant to s. 137 by Whataroa Golf Club in respect of premises known as The Whataroa Golf Club at the Whataroa Domain, 15 Main Road, Whataroa.

DECISION OF THE WESTLAND DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE ON AN UNCONTESTED APPLICATION

Authority:

Pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 and a Council resolution dated 28 November 2013, the functions, powers and duties of the Westland District Licensing Committee are delegated to the committee chairperson where no objection has been filed, and no matters of opposition have been raised by the Police, the Medical Officer of Health or an Inspector. There is no Local Alcohol Policy in place for the District.

Summary of Evidence

A special licence is sought for the purposes of providing an Alcohol Service at two Tournaments to be hosted by the Whataroa Golf Club at the Whataroa Domain on 7 May and 14 July 2023 between the hours of 11.00am and 8.00pm the same day on each day.

A report from the Inspector concludes that the applicant is suitable to hold a special licence.

The Police have no opposition to the grant of the special licence.

The Medical Officer of Health has no opposition to the grant of the special licence.

Evaluation of Evidence

I have considered the application on the basis of the uncontested reports received and the complete file which has been made available to me. The application was not publicly notified. The matter can, therefore, be dealt with on the papers. The application is well made and well documented and indicates that the Applicant is well aware of the need to ensure that an environment capable of supporting the notion that the consumption of alcohol should be undertaken safely and responsibly.

The two events are both golf tournaments. The first is a fundraiser Tournament and the second is described as a "farmer's Golf Tournament"

I note that suitably qualified managers have been appointed to oversee the responsible sale and supply of alcohol. Lisa Maree Stevenson and Fiona Ann Deans have some experience in operating a licence in accordance with the Act.

I have not identified any compelling reason for designated areas.

The application is comprehensive in its description of those matters to be attended to by the Club to ensure that the exercise of the Special License will be properly managed to ensure that there is a safe sale and consumption of alcohol. The Club is no stranger to special licenses and the responsible supply of alcohol and if the Club does what it has stated in the application as an intention, then the two events will come and go without incident. Accordingly, the license can be issued with a minimum of conditions in the knowledge that the Club will exercise the responsibility anticipated in the application.

Decision and Reasons

I am satisfied as to those matters provided for in s.142 of the Act.

The application is granted on the papers pursuant to s.202 (1) of the Act as Decision Number **047-2023** and I direct that a license be issued pursuant to s.64 of the Act.

The terms and conditions will be:

- 1. The Licence may be exercised for the sale and supply of alcohol to any person lawfully attending the premises on Sunday 7 May and Friday 14 July 2023 from 11.00AM through to 8.00PM the same day.
- 2. Pursuant to section 147 (3)(b) of the Act drinking water shall be freely available from the kitchen and bar areas to all customers at all times that the licence is being exercised.
- 3. This licence shall be exercised through Managers who shall be Lisa Maree Stevenson and Fiona Ann Deans
- 4. The extent of the Licensed premises shall be all the land and buildings at 15 Main Road, Whataroa.

Dated at Hokitika this 5 day of May, 2023

Richard Simpson

Chairman, Westland District Licensing Committee