IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol

Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application for a manager's

certificate pursuant to s. 219 by

Naveen Bansal.

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

The complete file has been made available to me.

A report from the Inspector concludes that the applicant is suitable to hold a manager's certificate.

The Police have no objection to the grant of the application.

Evaluation of Evidence

I have considered the application on the basis of the uncontested reports received. The matter can, therefore, be dealt with on the papers.

Swection 222(b) of the Act is specific and requires that applicants for Manager's Certificates must be assessed having regard to any convictions recorded against them. Mr. Bansal does not have any convictions recorded against him, but I do note that he has been the subject of Police investigations twice since July 2018 for Careless driving and intimidation and threats issues. Apparently, written warnings were issued. The applicant should be well aware that a holder of a Manager's Certificate is expected to make wise decisions under difficult circumstances. The applicant should seriously consider his future as a Manager if he is unable to keep to reasonable standards of community behavior.

I am satisfied that the applicant is suitable, he does not have any convictions recorded against him, he has several years of experience within the industry and he holds a recognised qualification

Decision and Reasons

I am satisfied as to those matters provided for in s.222 of the Act.

The application is granted on the papers pursuant to s.202 (1) of the Act as Decision Number **007-2020** and I direct that a certificate be issued to Naveen Bansal pursuant to s.64 of the Act for a period of 12 months.

Dated at Hokitika this 7th day of February, 2020

Chairman, Westland District Licensing Committee

