

**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 The Kumara  
Resident's Trust in respect of premises  
known as the Kumara Memorial Hall at  
58 Seddon Street, Kumara.

**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 the Kumara Memorial Hall for the Kumara Hooley Community Dance. The event will occur on 4 April 2020.

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

The Police have no objection to the grant of the licence but recommend that the venue be designated a supervised area

The Medical Officer of Health has no opposition to the grant of the 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. I have formed the view that the application is clear and well made and covers those matters that are important in providing a responsible alcohol service.

I note that the application nominates Michael David Keenan to be the manager. Mr Keenan is the holder of a manager's Certificate. Michael Keenan is personally known to me and I know that he has extensive knowledge and experience in the responsible sale and supply of alcohol.

The hours for the event are 7.30pm-1.00am the following day.

The police have recommended that the Kumara Hall be designated a Supervised area for the event because the event will be attended by a group anticipated to fall in the age range of 18-70 years. This is a recommendation supported by the Inspector. I do not understand the reasoning. Minors will not be permitted to attend and are not anticipated to do so. It seems to me that the age range anticipated to attend the Kumara Hooley Community Dance starts at an age where a designation would be superfluous.

I am not of the view that any designations are required.

**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 **030-2020** and I direct that a licence be issued pursuant to s.64 of the Act.

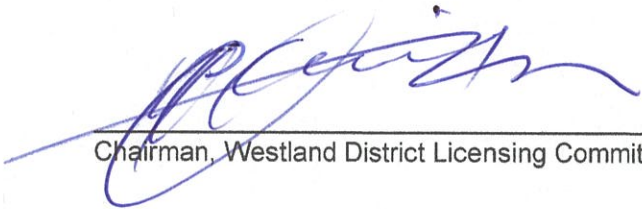
The terms and conditions will be:

The Licence may be exercised for the sale and supply of alcohol to any person lawfully attending the Kumara Memorial Hall on Saturday 30 April 2020 from 7.30pm through to 1.00am the following day.

Pursuant to section 147 (3)(b) of the Act drinking water shall be freely available to all customers at all times that the licence is being exercised.

Pursuant to s. 213(1) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, Michael David Keenan is appointed to be the manager for the occasion of the event to which the application refers.

Dated at Hokitika this 15<sup>th</sup> day of March 2020

  
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Chairman, Westland District Licensing Committee

