

**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  
Anshul Dogra.

**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.

A report from the Police has no objection to the application.

**Evaluation of Evidence**

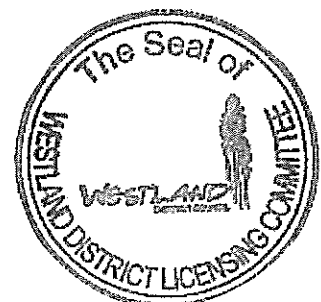
I have considered the application on the basis of the uncontested reports received. The matter can, therefore, be dealt with on the papers.

I am concerned that the applicant has two historical convictions relating to motor vehicles. The first relates to a drink/drive offence and the second relates to driving while disqualified. The alcohol offence occurred in 2013. Given the historic nature of the offence and the fact that there has not been a reoccurrence, the offence will not impact on this application. I do make the point, however, that the offence is probably an example of a bad decision being made as a consequence of consuming alcohol. My observation is that if a Manager makes bad decisions about themselves then there is a likelihood that bad decisions will be readily made about others, including customers. The applicant needs to be "super-aware" that there is little room to maneuver for the future. If the applicant wishes to continue to be actively involved in the hospitality industry then there is no room for errors in the nature of that which occurred in 2013.

I am satisfied that the applicant is suitable, he does not have any recent convictions recorded against him, he has 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 **067-2019** and I direct that a certificate be issued to Anshul Dogra pursuant to s.64 of the Act for a period of 12 months.

Dated at Hokitika this 29<sup>th</sup> day of April, 2019



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Chairperson, Westland District Licensing Committee