of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol IN THE MATTER

Act 2012

AND

of an application for the renewal of a IN THE MATTER

manager's certificate pursuant to s.

224 by Gary Thomas Towers.

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 continue to hold a manager's certificate.

The Police advise that there is no objection to the application.

Evaluation of Evidence

I have considered the application on the basis of the uncontested reports received. The matter is able to be dealt with on the papers.

The applicant is the Owner/Operator of Stumpers Bar and Café which is a premises that is well known and seemingly well patronized. The applicant manages the premises through a variety of circumstances including the busy and demanding Wild Foods Festival, entertainment events involving live music as well as providing a bar and cafe trade to a wide variety of patrons. Mr. Towers has managed the premises seemingly without serious incident and it is good that Hokitika is able to have access to a premises that is managed to suit a variety of people and occasions.

Decision and Reasons

I am satisfied as to those matters provided for in s.227 of the Act, I am satisfied that the applicant is suitable, he does not have any convictions recorded against him, he has experience within the industry, and he holds a recognised qualification.

The application is granted on the papers pursuant to s.202 (1) of the Act as Decision Number 090-2020 and I direct that renewed manager's certificate 56/CERT/100/2014 be issued to Gary Thomas Towers pursuant to s.64 of the Act.

The renewal is on the existing terms and conditions for a period of three years from the date of expiry.

Dated at Hokitika this 18th day of July 2020

Chairman, Westland District Licensing Committee

