

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
Sumit Dua.

**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 do note that the applicant was involved in a drink driving incident in August 2018 when the applicant was dealt with by the Court with a discharge without conviction with a six-month driver licence disqualification. The complete file does not indicate how the applicant was so lucky to have avoided a conviction. I note that he has been associated with the hospitality industry for several years and that references accompanying his application speak highly of him and of his reliability and trustworthiness. The applicant, clearly, has been the beneficiary of serendipity.

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 **233-2018** and I direct that a certificate be issued to Sumit Dua pursuant to s.64 of the Act for a period of 12 months.

Dated at Hokitika this 7th day of January, 2019





Chairperson, Westland District Licensing Committee