

**IN THE MATTER** of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol  
Act 2012

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of an application for a special  
licence pursuant to s. 137 by  
Destination Westland Limited in  
respect of the Wildfoods Festival,  
Cass Square, Weld Street, Hokitika.

**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 a liquor service on the occasion of the Wildfoods Festival to be held on 13 March 2021 between the hours of 11.00am and 7.00pm.

The licensed area is defined as being within the temporary perimeter fence at the Wildfoods site, Cass Square, Weld Street, Hokitika. Marist RFC is to run the beer, cider, wine and VIP tents and sell low alcohol beverages such as Amstel light beer, Monteith's mid-strength crushed apple cider.

I note that the event is to be managed by Kiri Lee Russell, Anna Korean Ritchie and Peter Low, all of whom the holders of a manager's certificate.

The application has been generally well made and makes a case for granting the licence as sought.

A report from the Inspector concludes that the applicant is suitable to operate the event under a special licence

The Police have no objection to the grant of the special licence.

The Medical Officer of Health has no opposition to the grant of the special 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.

It seems to me that the application is made with some conviction and that those things that are important in providing a safe drinking environment have been addressed by the application. I can readily come to the view that the Destination Westland Limited intends undertaking the sale and supply of alcohol sensibly and responsibly.

**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 **035-2021** and I direct that a special licence be issued to Destination Westland Limited pursuant to s.64 of the Act.

The terms and conditions will be:

1. The Licence may be exercised for the sale and supply of alcohol to any person lawfully attending the site on 13 March 2021 between the hours of 11.00am and 7.00pm.
2. The area to be licenced is defined as being within the temporary perimeter fence at the Wildfoods site, Cass Square, Weld Street, Hokitika.
3. Pursuant to section 147(3)(b) of the Act, drinking water shall be freely available on request at the bar.
4. The licence is to be managed by Kiri Lee Russell, Anna Korean Ritchie and Peter Low.

Dated at Hokitika this 5th day of March 2021

  
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Deputy Chairperson, Westland District Licensing Committee

