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 in respect of premises situated at 42 Hamilton Street, Hokitika and known as Hokitika Club (Inc) by Hokitika Club

Incorporated.

# 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 applicant seeks a special licence for an event referred to in the application as the Woodstock School Reunion.

The event will occur on Friday 23 April 2021 from 5.00PM until 1.30am the following day.

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

A report from the Medical officer of Health does not oppose the grant of a licence.

A report from the Police has no objection to the grant of a 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.

The applicant is the Hokitika Chartered Club which is an incorporated Society and is, accordingly, permitted to hold a special licence. The Application is well made and sufficiently comprehensive to lead me to the view that the event will be well managed.

I have concluded that the reason for the license is that people will be on the Club premises consuming alcohol at a time when the Club premises are not permitted to be open to the public. The Licence will enable people associated with the Woodstock School Reunion to be on the Club premises and purchase and consume alcohol and enjoy the privileges specifically reserved for members.

The hours applied for are from 5.00pm on Friday 23 April 2021 to 1.30am the following day. These hours seem to be appropriate for the event planned.

The Hokitika Club Incorporated is a licence holder of considerable experience with Special licenses in particular.

The existing designations are appropriate for the event and The Gaming Room will be restricted for the evening.

A Manager has been nominated to be the duty manager for the event and I have concluded that Erin Louise Dykstra is on the staff of the Hokitika Club and will, accordingly, be an appropriate person to manage the event.

### **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 **048-2021** 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 attending the premises on Friday 23 April, 2021 from 5.00PM until 1.30am the following day.

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

The gaming Room is to be designated a restricted Area.

Pursuant to s. 213(1) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, Erin Louise Dykstra is to be appointed to be the manager for the event.

Dated at Hokitika this 8th day of April, 2021

Chairman, Westland District Licensing Committee