

Application number: 036/SOL/061/2022

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

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by **Bricklane Limited** for a special-licence pursuant to section 138 of the Act on the occasion of an event called '10 year Anniversary'.

BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairperson
Mr Stuart Hylton



DECISION

1. Introduction

This is an application by **Bricklane Limited** for a special licence in regard to an event which is to licence the applicants cafe (Mint), 98 Victoria Avenue and surrounding top level public area, Whanganui. The need for a special licence is brought about by the increased licensed footprint and extended closing hours. The nature of the event for which the licence is sought is '10 Year Anniversary Celebration'.

The date and hours sought are –

- **Saturday, 5 November 2022, between 12.00noon and 2.00am the following day.**

2. Application

The application was received on 29th September 2022. The application included a site map, food and drink menu and flyer.

The application was not advertised and no objection or notice of desire to be heard has been received under section 141 of the Act. Accordingly we deal with the matter on the papers in accordance with section 202(1).

In considering the application for special licence the committee had regard to the following criteria under section 142 of the Act:

- (a) the object of this Act:
- (b) the nature of the particular event for which the licence is sought and, in particular,—
 - (i) whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes at the event to engage in, the sale of goods other than alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which goods; and
 - (ii) whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes at the event to engage in, the provision of services other than those directly related to the sale of alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which services:
- (c) the suitability of the applicant:
- (d) any relevant local alcohol policy:
- (e) whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be reduced, by more than a minor extent, by the effects of the issue of the licence:
- (f) the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol:
- (g) the design and layout of the premises concerned:

- (h) whether the applicant has appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law:
- (i) any areas of the premises that the applicant proposes should be designated as restricted areas or supervised areas:
- (j) any steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure that the requirements of this Act in relation to the sale and supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
- (k) the applicant's proposals relating to—
 - (i) the sale and supply of non-alcoholic drinks and food; and
 - (ii) the sale and supply of low-alcohol drinks; and
 - (iii) the provision of help with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises:
- (l) any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, the Medical Officer of Health, or an inspector made under [section 141](#).

3. Reporting Agencies

The following reports were received under section 141 of the Act.

Police Report – No opposition within report received on 1 November 2022.

Medical Officer of Health – No opposition within report received on 20 October 2022.

Licensing Inspector Report – Full report provided by the inspector including assessment of application against section 142 criteria. The Inspector concludes that the application is complete and will likely meet the criteria of the Act. Draft conditions are also offered by the inspector.

The inspector noted the following pertinent points in their report –

- The applicant is a private company.
- The applicant holds an On Licence but needs a special licence to sell to patrons for the extended hours and extended licensed footprint. Security staff will control the door.
- The applicant has not come to the notice of enforcement agencies previously. The applicant has held similar licences previously.
- Suitability is not challenged.
- The premise and on licence has been in existence for some years and an extra special licence should not reduce amenity and good order of the locality. Although there have been some noise directions issued in the past, the applicant is aware of these concerns and how they should be mitigated.
- The area is suitable for the type of event and layout has been suitable in the past. The area to be licensed for the special event is the Mint Café and neighbouring public place area as shown on the site plan associated to the application.
- The hours appear reasonable for the event being undertaken.
- Three certified managers are nominated for the events including other staff and security. This is seen as sufficient to cover the function.
- A '**supervised**' designation will be in operation for Mint and the majestic square area will be '**Restricted**'. A 'one way door' restriction will be in place from 1.00am.
- Both the Police and MOH have no opposition to the application

4. Decision

The application for Special Licence is **Approved** for issue subject to the conditions outlined in the inspectors report.

DATED at Whanganui this 1 day of November, 2022.



Secretary
Whanganui District Licensing Committee