

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of
Alcohol Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by the
Castlecliff Golf Club
Incorporated for a renewal
of Club Licence pursuant to
section 127 of the Supply of
Alcohol Act 2012.

**BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING
COMMITTEE**

The application for renewal of Club Licence (036/CL/001/2015) was publically advertised in the River City Press on the 7th April 2016 with no objections received. No matters of opposition were raised under section 128 and 129 reports; therefore the matter was considered by the Whanganui District Licensing Commissioner on the papers contained in the full file provided by the secretary.

Commissioner: Stuart Hylton

**RESERVED DECISION OF THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT
LICENSING COMMITTEE**

1. Application

Castlecliff Golf Club Incorporated made the application on the prescribed form received on 11th April 2016. The application for renewal of Club Licence is in relation to the clubs premises at 8 Awatea Street, Whanganui.

The general nature of the business is that of a sports (golf) club. The Castlecliff Golf Club has been incorporated since 1926 and has certainly held a liquor licence for over 25 years. The sale and supply of liquor is not the main focus of the operation.

The renewal seeks to keep the same hours as the current licence and the premise has not come to the notice of officials during the renewal period.

The complete file included –

- The application
- Floor plan
- Reports from Police, Medical Officer of Health and Inspector
- Host Responsibility Policy
- List of non alcoholic drinks and hot/cold food/menu
- Fire Evacuation Scheme letter
- Copy of current licence
- Copy of public advertisement

2. Decision Making

In considering this application for Club-Licence the licensing committee had regard to the criteria under section 131 and 105 of the Act.

Section 105/131 assessments:

(a) the object of this Act:

The inspector notes that the applicant has supplied a Host Responsibility Policy stating the measures to be undertaken to ensure the responsible sale and supply of alcohol. There have been no issues raised concerning previous operations so if the policy is followed then continued compliance should be able to be achieved.

(b) the suitability of the applicant:

The applicant is an incorporated society since 1926. The applicant has supplied the name of one certified manager for the premises. This is considered the bare minimum for this type of club premise. The suitability of the applicant is not challenged.

(c) any relevant local alcohol policy:

No Local Policies currently in place.

(d) the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol:

Applicant has applied for the same days and hours as currently enjoyed i.e.

- Sunday to Thursday and public holidays 9.00am to 10.00pm each day,
- Friday and Saturday, between 9.00am to 12.00 midnight.

This is seen as adequate and has operated in the past without incident.

(e) the design and layout of any proposed premises:

No CPTED assessment received with application. A floor plan was provided with the application and includes the outdoor area at rear of premises. No issues with layout.

(g) whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes on the premises 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:

Currently the focus is on sport, namely golf.

(j) whether the applicant has appropriate systems, staff, and training to comply with the law:

Previous operations have been satisfactory and therefore systems seem appropriate. The Club struggles with the number of managers although there are a number of experienced bar staff in the Club.

(k) any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, an inspector, or a Medical Officer of Health made under [section 103](#). (see 3 below)

(s.131(1)(b))whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be increased, by more than a minor extent, by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence:

No issues raised and agree with inspector's assessment and opinion that amenity and good order should not be compromised by the issue of the licence.

(s.131(1)(d))the manner in which the applicant has sold (or, as the case may be, sold and supplied), displayed, advertised, or promoted alcohol.

No issues raised within file.

3 Reporting Agencies

The following reports were received under section 103 and 129 of the Act and taken into account during the decision.

3.1 Police – Report received on 18th April 2016, of no objection.

3.2 Medical Officer of Health - Report received on 18th April 2016 of no objection.

3.2 Licensing Inspector – Full report dated 13th May 2016. The inspector was satisfied the application is complete and meets the criteria for renewal.

4 Conclusion

Based on the evidence provided to me within the complete file, my assessment above of section 105/131 matters and the past operation of the premise/licensee, I conclude that the application meets the statutory criteria to be granted a renewal of Club-Licence under the Act for a period of three (3) years.

5 Decision

The licence is issued subject to the same or similar endorsements as that contained on the original licence – 036/CL/001/2015, including who may consume on the premise, definition of the licenced premises and display of licence requirement.

It is also subject to the following conditions –

- (a) Administrative requirements as per s.61 (a), (b), and (c) of the Act.
- (b) The club must have for consumption on the premises, at all times when the club is open for the sale of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic refreshments and low-alcohol beverages.
- (c) Liquor may only be sold only on the following days and during the following hours:

Sunday to Thursday and public holidays 9.00am to 10.00pm each day,

Friday and Saturday, between 9.00am to 12.00 midnight.

- (d) At all times when the premises are authorised to be open for the sale of alcohol, food of a range and style similar to that shown on any menu submitted or a range of snack foods in the nature of pies, sandwiches, filled rolls, pizzas and the like, must be conveniently available to all members and their guests and the availability of those foodstuffs must be notified to them by appropriate notices throughout the premises.

- (e) The licensee must ensure that signs are predominantly displayed within the licensed premises detailing information regarding alternative forms of transport from the premises.
- (f) The licensee must implement and maintain the steps proposed in the application for the licence aimed at promoting the responsible consumption of alcohol.

The licensee and managers on duty must ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale and supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed.

The application is **Approved** for issue immediately.

Dated at Wanganui District this 22nd day of May 2016.

Signed



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Stuart Hylton
Wanganui District Licensing Commissioner