Application number: 036/SOL/050/2023

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

**AND** 

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by **Hannah Li** for a special-

licence pursuant to section 138 of the Act on the occasion of a 'Quiz Night Fundraiser'.

### BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Mr S G Hylton

### **DECISION**

### 1. Introduction

This is an application by **Hannah Li** for a special licence in regard to an event to be held at the St Johns Hill School, 71 Parkes Avenue, Whanganui. The nature of the event for which the licence is sought relates to a 'Quiz Night Fundraiser'.

The date and hours sought are the

• 19th August 2023, between the hours of 4.00pm and 10.00pm.

# 2. Application

The application was received on the 26<sup>th</sup> July 2023. The application included a floor plan.

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:

(I) 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.

Medical Officer of Health – No opposition within report received on 9 August 2023.

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 also noted the following pertinent points in the inspectors report –

- The applicant is an individual on behalf of a school's fundraising body. They have held similar events previously with no known issues.
- No concerns raised with suitability.
- The area to be licensed is the school's hall. The licence should not reduce amenity and good order of the locality.
- The requested hours are reasonable for the activity being undertaken.
- The premise layout is satisfactory for the event in the school and appears functional and fit for purpose. A marked up floor plan was included.
- One non-certified manager, Hannah Li, will be on duty and other 'PTA' members will be hand to assist with bar duties and responsibilities. A s. 213(2) waiver is recommended and supported.
- A 'supervised' designation is supported.
- Both the Police and MOH have no opposition to the application.

# 4. Decision

Accordingly the application for Special Licence is Approved for issue subject to the conditions outlined in the inspectors report and a s. 213(2) waiver.

DATED at Whanganui this 14th day of August, 2023.



Secretary

**Whanganui District Licensing Committee** 

