Application number: 036/SOL/116/2024

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

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by **Netball Wanganui**

Incorporated for a special-licence pursuant to section 138 of the Act on the occasion of a 'Masters Games Netball Tournament'.

BEFORE THE WANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner Mr S G Hylton

DECISION

1. Introduction

This is an application by **Netball Wanganui Incorporated** for a special licence in regard to an event to be held at the Laird Park Netball Courts, 98 Peat Street, Wanganui, for the Masters Games Netball Tournament.

The dates and hours sought are -

- 8 February 2025, between 11.30am to 5.00pm.
- 9 February 2025, between 11.30am to 5.00pm.

2. Application

The application was received on 23 November 2020, and included a floor plan and emails.

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:
- (q) 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 <u>section 141</u>.

3. Reporting Agencies

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

Police Report – No opposition within report received on 7 January 2025.

Medical Officer of Health – No opposition within report received on 2 December 2024.

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 an incorporated sports group.
- The applicant has been granted special licences over the years which have no non-compliance issues raised. This application is for the Netball Tournament within the Masters Games Tournament.
- The applicant has not come to the notice of enforcement agencies previously.
- Suitability is not challenged.
- The venue is the 'home' of netball, has operated a special licence for previous games, alcohol consumed on Court 13 which will be cordoned off by tape and a marquee erected. Therefore the event should have little or no effect on the amenity and order of the area.
- The hours appear relevant for the activity being undertaken.
- One non-certified manager, Amanda Gedye, is nominated for the event. The person is experienced for this type of activity licence and a s. 213(2) waiver has been recommended.
- A non designation for the event is supported. Court 13 appears to be the licenced area and will be cordoned
 off.
- Both the Police and MOH have no objections to the application

4. Decision

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

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DATED at Whanganui this the 7 day of January, 2025.

Secretary

Whanganui District Licensing Committee