Application number: 036/SOL/075/2021

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of

Alcohol Act 2012

<u>AND</u>

IN THE MATTER of an application by **Castlecliff**

Club Inc. for a special-licence pursuant to section 138 of the Act on the occasion of a 'Weekly

Housie Evenings'.

BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner
Mr S G Hylton

DECISION

1. Introduction

This is an application by **Castlecliff Club Inc.** for a special licence in respect of their Club situated at 4 Tennyson Street, Whanganui. The nature of the particular events for which the licence is sought are 'Housie Evenings'.

The dates and hours sought are -

• Every Tuesday and Thursday, from 6.00pm to 10.30pm, starting 19 October 2021 through to 11 October 2022.

2. Application

The application was received on 10 August 2021.

The application included a floor plan, event flyer and bar menu.

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.

Licensing Inspector Report – Full report provided by the inspector including assessment of application against section 142 criteria. The Inspector concludes that the application meets both the object and criteria of the Act. Draft conditions are also offered by the inspector.

The inspector also noted the following pertinant points in his report -

- The applicant is a chartered club and holds a Club licence but requires a special for the members of the public to attend the event.
- The applicant has undertaken specials before and proven suitable in discharging these duties in the past. Housie evenings under a special licence are a long time event for the Club.
- Suitability is not challenged.
- Certified managers will be on duty at all times.
- The venue will not effect the amenity and order of the area.

- Applicant seeks the ground floor of the premise to be licensed as shown on the application floor plan
- No designation sought which is supported
- Both the Police and MOH have no opposition to the application

I concur with the inspector's assessment and conditions for the proposed event.

4. Decision

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

Common Seal

DATED at Whanganui this 1st day of September, 2021.

Secretary

Whanganui District Licensing Committee