

Application number:

036/SOL/076/2021

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol
Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by **Mark Keelty**
for a special-licence pursuant to
section 138 of the Act on the
occasion of a 'quiz night fund
raiser'.

BEFORE THE WHANGANUI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner
Mr S G Hylton



DECISION

1. Introduction

This is an application by **Mark Keelty** for a special licence to be held at the City College Hall at 84 Ingestre Street, Whanganui. The nature of the particular event for which the licence is sought is for a quiz night fundraiser.

The dates and hours for which the licence is sought are –

- **Friday, 3 September, 6.30pm to 11.00pm**

2. Application

The application was received on 10 August 2021 and included a floor plan, letter from School authorising the event and use of the building.

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.

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 pertinent points in his report –


- The applicant is an individual who has experience in running similar type of events.
- As a school and charitable trust are involved in the event, both should be doing all within their means to run a responsible event. Alcohol should not be a big part of the event.
- **Ruth Cullen** is the nominated certified manager and is supported by the Inspector
- The event will involve low levels of consumption
- The hours sought are reasonable
- A supervised designation for the Hall is supported
- Both the Police and MOH have no opposition to the application

I concur with the inspector's assessment.

4. Decision

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

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



Secretary
Whanganui District Licensing Committee

