

Application

19/055/2021

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act
2012

AND
IN THE MATTER

of an application by
Waitete Rugby Football Club Incorporated
for the renewal of a club licence pursuant
to section 127 in respect of the premises
at 57 Waitete Road, Te Kuiti and known as
Waitete Rugby Football Club

DECISION OF THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

1. The club licence 019/CLUB/002/2019 in respect of the premises situated at 57 Waitete Road, Te Kuiti and known as Waitete Rugby Football Club is renewed for a further period of 3 years. The licence may issue upon payment of the annual fee.
2. The present conditions of the licence continue to apply.

REASONS

1. This is an application by Waitete Rugby Football Club Incorporated for renewal of a club licence in respect of the premises situated at 57 Waitete Road, Te Kuiti.
2. The application was advertised, and no objections have been received from members of the public. The Liquor Licensing Inspector, Police and the Medical Officer of Health have provided reports and do not oppose the application. Accordingly, the matter is decided on the papers (s 134).
3. The object of the Act is to ensure that the sale and supply of alcohol is undertaken safely and responsibly, and the harm caused by excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol is minimised (s 4).
4. In deciding whether to renew a club licence the licensing committee must have regard to sections 131 and 105 of the Act. Therefore, this committee must consider the following questions within the framework of the purpose and object of the Act:

- a) Is the applicant suitable?
- b) Are the days and hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol reasonable?
- c) Is the design and layout of the premises suitable?
- d) Does the applicant propose to engage in the sale of goods or provision of services other than those directly relating to the sale of alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments and food?
- e) Does the applicant have appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law?
- f) Have the police, inspector and medical officer of health raised any relevant considerations?
- g) Will the amenity and good order of the locality be increased by more than a minor extent by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence?
- h) Has the applicant sold, displayed, advertised or promoted alcohol in a responsible manner?
- i) Does the application comply with the Waitomo District Local Alcohol Policy?

Should the club licence be renewed?

- 5. The licensing committee is satisfied that Waitete Rugby Football Club Incorporated is a suitable applicant to hold a club licence. The club has demonstrated compliance with the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. The licensing committee is satisfied that the current licensed hours are appropriate. The application complies with the LAP.
- 6. The licensing committee is satisfied that the premises has a suitable design and layout to meet the requirements of the Act. It is well appointed and able to be monitored effectively by the staff of the premises. The club has an appropriate Host Responsibility Policy which demonstrates suitable measures will be undertaken in regard to responsible sale and supply of alcohol and that harm will be reduced and obligations under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. The club has a suitable training plan for bar staff and committee members. It is very important that committee members undertake regular training in the obligations and responsibilities of the holder of a club licence. This ensures that the club understands its legal obligations as a licensee and knows how to support bar staff. The licensing committee is satisfied that the club has sufficient Duty Managers who serve on these premises to ensure the responsible sale and supply of alcohol.
- 7. The licensing committee is satisfied that the renewal of the club licence will not reduce the amenity and good order of the locality by more than a minor extent. There have been no reports of any nuisance, vandalism or noise problems associated with this premises in the previous licensing period.

Conclusion

- 8. Therefore, the application for the renewal of the club licence is granted.

Dated at this 12th day of December 2021



Commissioner
Waitomo District Licensing Committee