

ŌTOROHANGA DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Decision

018-0646/MC0361

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol
Act 2012

AND
IN THE MATTER

of an application by
Geethika Whickramasinghe for the renewal
of a Manager's Certificate pursuant to
section 224 of the Act

DECISION OF THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

1. The application for a renewal of a Manager's Certificate is granted. The Manager's Certificate may issue immediately.
2. The Manager's Certificate is renewed for a further period of three years or if an application for the renewal of the certificate is made, until the application is determined.

REASONS

1. Geethika Whickramasinghe works as the senior leader / duty manager at Woolworths Ōtorohanga, Maniapoto Street, Ōtorohanga which is a licenced premises and she seeks the renewal of her manager's certificate.
2. The Licensing Inspector and Police have provided reports and do not object to the application (s 225). Accordingly, this application is decided on the papers (s 202).
3. In considering an application for the renewal of a Manager's Certificate the licensing committee must consider the following questions (s 227):
 - a) Is the applicant suitable to be a manager?
 - b) Have any convictions been recorded against the applicant since the certificate was issued or last renewed?
 - c) How has the applicant managed the sale and supply of alcohol with the aim of contributing to the reduction of alcohol-related harm?
 - d) Have the Inspector and Police raised any relevant matters in their reports?

Should the manager's certificate be renewed?

4. The licensing committee is satisfied that Geethika Whickramasinghe is a suitable person to hold a Manager's Certificate because she has appropriate qualifications and experience working on licensed premises. There have been no convictions recorded against Geethika Whickramasinghe since the Manager's Certificate was issued. Geethika Whickramasinghe has acknowledged her duty to manage the sale and supply of alcohol pursuant to the licence with the aim of contributing to the reduction of alcohol-related harm. Therefore, the application for renewal of the Manager's Certificate is granted.

Dated at this 15th day of September 2026

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'R. M. Johnson'.

Cr Roy Johnson
Commissioner
Ōtorohanga District Licensing Committee