

LICENSING COMMITTEE

Application	018-0231
<u>IN THE MATTER</u>	the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012
<u>AND</u>	of an application by
<u>IN THE MATTER</u>	Kāwhia Boating and Angling Club Inc for a special licence pursuant to section 138 of the Act

DECISION OF THE DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

1. The application for a special licence is granted. The special licence may issue immediately.
2. Kāwhia Boating and Angling Club Inc is authorised to sell and supply alcohol, on the premises situated at 124 Omimiti Street, Ōtorohanga to any person attending the fishing competitions and whale boat regatta.
3. This licence is subject to the following conditions:
 - (a) A copy of this licence with all the conditions must be displayed in a prominent place so all persons can read it and all staff must be familiar with the conditions.
 - (b) Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days and during the following hours:
 - Labour Weekend Sweepstake Competition**
Friday 22 October 2021, from 5.00pm to 9.00pm
Saturday 23 October 2021, from 5.00pm to 10.00pm
Sunday 24 October 2021, from 5.00pm to 10.00pm
 - Kasha Snapper Fishing Competition**
Thursday 25 November 2021, from 5.00pm to 9.00pm
Friday 26 November 2021, from 5.00pm to 10.00pm
Saturday 27 November 2021, from 5.00pm to 10.00pm
 - Whale Boat Regatta**
Saturday 1 January 2022, from 3.00pm to 8.00pm
 - Anniversary Weekend Sweepstake Fishing Competition**
Saturday 29 January 2022, from 5.00pm to 9.00pm
Sunday 30 January 2022, from 6.00pm to 10.00pm
 - Easter Fishing Competition**
Friday 15 April 2022, from 5.00pm to 9.00pm
Saturday 16 April 2022, from 5.00pm to 9.00pm
Sunday 17 April 2022, from 6.00pm to 9.00pm
 - (c) Alcohol may be sold or supplied to people present participating in the event this licence is issued for.
 - (d) The area where alcohol is to be sold and consumed is described in the plan date stamped as received by the Ōtorohanga District Licensing Committee on 7 September 2022 and no alcohol is to be taken out of this area.
 - (e) The holder of a manager's certificate shall be on duty and on the premises at all times alcohol is sold.
 - (f) There must be no sale or supply of alcohol to minors or intoxicated persons and there must be appropriate signs detailing these restrictions at every point of sale.
 - (g) Drinking water must be freely available from the bar and this must be clear to customers while the premises is open for the sale and supply of alcohol.

- (h) Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times the premises is open for the sale of alcohol in accordance with the menu submitted with the application for this licence, or variations of a similar range and standard.
- (i) A range of low-alcohol and non-alcoholic drinks must be available at all times when the premises is open for the sale of alcohol.
- (j) The entire premises is undesignated.

REASONS

1. This is an application by Kāwhia Boating and Angling Club Inc for a special licence for a series of fishing competitions and a whale boat regatta to be held at their premises. This application was received more than 20 working days prior to the event as required by section 137 of the Act.
2. The Liquor Licensing Inspector, Police and Medical Officer of Health have no objection to this application for a special licence (s 141). Accordingly, this application is decided on the papers (s 202).
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 grant a special licence the District Licensing Committee must have regard to the criteria in s 142 of the Act. Therefore, this committee must consider the following questions within the framework of the purpose and object of the Act:
 - a) What is the nature of the event? 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?
 - b) Is the applicant suitable?
 - c) Will the amenity and good order of the locality be reduced to more than a minor extent by the effects of the issue of the licence?
 - d) Are the days and hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol reasonable?
 - e) Is the design and layout of the premises suitable? Are any areas of the premises designated restricted or supervised areas?
 - f) Does the applicant have appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law? What steps will the applicant take to ensure that alcohol is not sold to prohibited persons?
 - g) What proposals does the applicant have in relation to the sale and supply of non-alcoholic drinks and food, low-alcohol drinks and the provision of help with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises?
 - h) Have the Inspector, Police and Medical Officer of Health raised any relevant considerations?
 - i) Does the application comply with the Otorohanga District Local Alcohol Policy?
5. The licensing committee may refuse a special licence even if there was no objection to the application (s 144). Sections 146 – 149 of the Act outline the compulsory and discretionary conditions for a special licence.

Should a special licence be granted?

6. Approximately 90 people of all ages are expected to attend the family orientated fishing competitions and whale boat regatta.
7. The licensing committee is satisfied that Kāwhia Boating and Angling Club Inc is a suitable applicant to hold a special licence. The club currently holds a club licence and has demonstrated compliance with the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012. The issue of a special licence for these events will allow the applicant to sell alcohol to non-members of the club attending the event. A Duty Manager will be present on the premises for the duration of the proposed event to ensure compliance with the Act. In addition, ten committee members will assist with the running of each event and extra bar staff will be brought in to help the Duty Manager. The licensing committee is satisfied that proposed hours are reasonable.

8. The Licensing Inspector reports that the application does comply with the Otorohanga District Local Alcohol Policy. The licensing committee is satisfied that suitable measures will be taken to ensure that alcohol is sold and supplied responsibly, and that harm caused by inappropriate or excessive consumption of alcohol is minimised.
9. Given the nature of the events and the venue it is not likely that the issue of the special licence will adversely affect neighbouring properties. It is likely that most people attending these events will be local residents or will be staying in one of the three camping grounds in town and will walk to the club, therefore options for transport home will not be required. The licensing committee is satisfied that the design and layout of the premises is suitable given the temporary nature of the licence. The applicant will provide sufficient food, low-alcohol and non-alcoholic refreshments. Free water will be provided.

Conclusion

10. The licensing committee is satisfied that the grant of the special licence with the appropriate conditions will ensure the safe and responsible supply of alcohol and the minimisation of harm caused by excessive or inappropriate use of alcohol. Therefore, the application for a special licence is granted.

Dated this 7th day of October 2021



Sara Grayson
Commissioner
Ōtorohanga District Licensing Committee