

# Matamata-Piako District Licensing Committee



**IN THE MATTER** of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER** of an application by **General Distributors Limited** for the renewal of an **off-licence** pursuant to section 127 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

Licence Number: **13/OFF/012/2020**  
Original Licence Number: 13/OFF/015/2017  
File Number: 162.2005.101.6

## **BEFORE THE MATAMATA-PIAKO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Chairperson: Councillor Adrienne Wilcock

### **DECISION ON THE PAPERS**

This is an application by General Distributors Limited for renewal of an off-licence in respect of premises situated at 91 Whitaker Street, Te Aroha known as Countdown Te Aroha. The general nature of the business is that of a Supermarket.

This application was lodged on 22 July 2020 and was advertised in accordance with s.101 of the Act, in the Waikato Times on 31 July & 7 August 2020. No objections were received.

The days and hours of operation set out in the application are:

**Monday to Sunday from 7.00 am until 9.00 pm**

These hours are the same as the existing hours of operation and comply with the requirements of the provisional Local Alcohol Policy.

The application was referred to the Police, Medical Officer of Health and Inspector for comment. No matters in opposition have been raised in respect of the application. Accordingly the application is determined on the papers.

The applicant, in accordance with s. 212 of the Act, has named eight managers with current certificates to manage the sale of alcohol from the premises.

In deciding whether to renew an off-licence the committee must have regard to the matters set out in s.105 and 131 of the Act. These are:

### ***Section 105***

- (a) *the object of this Act:*
- (b) *the suitability of the applicant:*

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- (c) *any relevant local alcohol policy:*
- (d) *the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol:*
- (e) *the design and layout of any proposed premises:*
- (f) *whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes on the premises to engage in, the sale of goods other than alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which goods:*
- (g) *whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes on the premises 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:*
- (j) *whether the applicant has appropriate systems, staff, and training to comply with the law:*
- (k) *any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, an inspector, or a Medical Officer of Health made under section 103*

### **Section 131**

- (b) *whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be increased, by more than a minor extent, by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence:*
- (c) *any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, an inspector, or a Medical Officer of Health made by virtue of section 129:*
- (d) *the manner in which the applicant has sold (or, as the case may be, sold and supplied), displayed, advertised, or promoted alcohol.*

The object of the Act is that the sale, supply and consumption of alcohol should be undertaken safely and responsibly, and the harm caused by excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol should be minimised.

The Inspector has noted that he considers the applicant to be a suitable body to hold an off-licence. He has also noted that in his opinion the amenity and good order of the locality would be unlikely to be increased by more than a minor extent by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence.

I am satisfied as to those matters to which I must have regard and grant the renewal of the off-licence for a further three years.

The renewal certificate can be issued immediately.

### **Conditions**

- (a) Alcohol may only be sold on the following days and during the following hours: **Monday to Sunday 7.00am until 9.00pm**
- (b) No alcohol is to be sold or delivered on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day, or before 1 pm on Anzac Day:
- (c) No alcohol may be sold other than—
  - (i) beer that complies with the appropriate New Zealand food standard for beer; or