# Matamata-Piako District Licensing Committee



IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act

## AND



of an application by **Websol 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/008/2019

Original Licence Number: 13/OFF/009/2016

File Number:

162.2015.1079.3

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

Chairperson: Councillor Adrienne Wilcock

#### **DECISION ON THE PAPERS**

This is an application by Websol Limited for renewal of an off-licence in respect of premises situated at 24 Lawrence Avenue, Te Aroha known as Te Aroha Liquor Centre.

This application was lodged on 29 October 2019 and was advertised in accordance with s.101 of the Act, in the Piako Post on 6 & 13 November 2019. No objections were received.

The application shows the hours of operation as Monday to Sunday from 8.00 am until 11.00 pm

The current Licence has the hours of Monday to Sunday from 8.00 am until 11.00 pm. That licence was issued prior to the current Local Alcohol Policy.

The applicant has advertised the hours as:

## Monday to Sunday from 8.00 am until 9.00 pm.

These hours are a substantial reduction of 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 three 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:





- (a) the object of this Act:
- (b) the suitability of the applicant:
- (c) any relevant local alcohol policy:
- (d) the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to self-
- (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

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- (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.

When renewing an off-licence, section 132 allows the committee to impose conditions as set out in section 116 or to vary or cancel any conditions applying to the licence before its renewal.

I have repeated the condition of the original licence with the variation in operating hours, and included a new condition imposed under section 116 requiring drinking water to be readily available when samples are being provided. The off-licence is now subject to these conditions.

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The renewal certificate can be issued immediately.

## **Conditions**

- a) No alcohol is to be sold or delivered on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day or before 1.00pm on Anzac Day.
- b) Alcohol may be sold or delivered only on the following days and during the following hours:

## Monday to Sunday 8.00 am until 9.00 pm

- b) The licensee shall take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the management of the premises are observed:
  - i) All staff will be trained in their responsibilities under the Act.
  - ii) Evidence of age documents will be requested from any person appearing to be under the age of 25.
  - iii) A sign shall be prominently displayed inside the premises which identifies the name of the manager on duty or the person responsible for the management of the sale and supply of alcohol under the licence.
  - iv) Display appropriate signs adjacent to every point of sale detailing the statutory restrictions on the supply of alcohol to minors and the complete prohibition of sales to intoxicated persons.
- c) The licensee shall ensure that when alcohol is being provided free, as a sample, drinking water will be made readily available, free of charge.
- d) The whole of the premises is designated as a supervised area

Adrienne Wilcock

Chairperson

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