

# **Matamata-Piako District Licensing Committee**

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012



of an application by **Matamata Liquor Store Limited** for an **off-licence** pursuant to section 99 of the Act in respect of premises situated at 89 Arawa Street Matamata known as the Matamata Liquor Spot.

Licence Number:

13/OFF/008/2022

File Number:

162.2022.1729.1

## BEFORE THE MATAMATA-PIAKO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Councillor Adrienne Wilcock

## **DECISION ON THE PAPERS**

This is an application by Matamata Liquor Store Limited for an off-licence in respect of a premises situated at 89 Arawa Street, Matamata, known as the Matamata Liquor Spot. The general nature of the business is that of a bottle store. The premises has previously been licensed as a bottle store and is currently trading pursuant to a temporary authority issued by this committee.

The application was filed on 6 May 2022 and was advertised in accordance with the Act, in the Matamata Chronicle on 11 and 18 May 2022. No public objections were received

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

#### Monday to Sunday 9.00 am until 9.00 pm

These hours comply with the requirements of Council's Provisional Local Alcohol Policy for this type of premises.

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 by those reporting bodies. The certificates required by s.100(d) and (f) have been received. 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 grant an off-licence the committee must have regard to the matters set out in s.105 of the Act. These are:

#### Section 105

(a) the object of this Act:

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- (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 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:
- (h) whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be reduced, to more than a minor extent, by the effects of the issue of the licence:
- whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality are already so badly affected by the effects of the issue of existing licences that
  - they would be unlikely to be reduced further (or would be likely to be reduced further to only a minor extent) by the effects of the issue of the licence: but
  - (ii) it is nevertheless desirable not to issue any further licences:
- (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

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 reporting on the application has noted that he considers the applicant, Matamata Liquor Store Limited, has the necessary experience and is suitable to operate a licensed premises. He has also noted that in his opinion the amenity and good order of the locality would not be likely to reduce by more than a minor extent if the licence is issued. His recommendation is for the application to be granted subject to conditions.

I am satisfied as to those matters to which I must have regard and grant the applicant an off-licence for a period of one year from the date of issue pursuant to s.104.

The applicant must comply with all conditions specified on the licence.

The licence will be subject to the following conditions:

#### **Conditions**

a) No alcohol is to be sold on the premises on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day, or before 1 pm on Anzac Day

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b) Alcohol may only be sold under the licence on the following days and during the following hours:

### Monday to Sunday 9.00 am until 9.00 pm

- c) 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.
- d) The licensee shall ensure that when alcohol is being provided free, as a sample, drinking water will be made readily available, free of charge.
- e) The holder of a Manger's Certificate or a properly notified manager shall be on duty and on the premises at all times alcohol is sold. If a duty manager is not present then there must be no alcohol sales and a notice displayed advertising the public of this fact.
- f) Manager's register (as required by s.232 of the Act) is to be maintained and available onsite.
- g) A sign in a prominent place identifying the duty manager.
- h) The whole of the premises is designated as a supervised area.
- i) The licencee must ensure the following are displayed
  - (i) A sign to be seen from outside the principle entrance stating the ordinary hours of business during which the premise will be open for the sale of alcohol.
  - (ii) A copy of the original licence with all the conditions, just inside the principal entrance so persons entering can read it.

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(iii) A sign in a prominent place identifying the duty manager.

Dated at Te Aroha this 13 had day of July 2023

Adrienne Wilcock Chairperson

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