

Decision No. GREYDLC 053/2024

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

AND

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of an application by **BLAKETOWN BOWLING CLUB INCORPORATED** for the renewal of a Club Licence pursuant to s.127 of the Act in respect of premises situated at 7-9 Reid Street, Blaketown and known as the "Blaketown Bowling Club"

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

This is an application by Blaketown Bowling Club Inc for the renewal of their Club Licence for premises situated at 7-9 Reid Street, Blaketown.

The applicant is an incorporated society number 9429042595007 and holds a current club licence number 55/CLUB/32/2015. The current licensed hours are Monday to Sunday 8.00am to 12 midnight.

The applicant did not seek any changes to the licence conditions on their original application, however Police and the Medical Officer of Health were concerned about the current licensed hours which they deemed excessive due to various factors. These factors are outlined in their correspondence to the Committee dated 8 April 2024 and 9 April 2024.

The applicant, with the Grey District Licensing Inspector, in consideration of Police and the Medical Officer of Health's concerns, reassessed the hours in relation to how the club is used and have revised their licensed hours to Monday to Sunday 5.00pm to 9.00pm and Friday, Saturday and Sunday 10.00am to 11.00pm.

The general nature of the activity of the club is that of a bowling club and they have been operating for a number of years.

The premise is zoned residential in the Grey District Plan and this activity is permitted within this zone. It is surrounded by neighbouring residential homes. The main principal entrance is from 7-9 Reid Street, Blaketown.

The application was duly notified on Council's website and no objections were received.

DECISION

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by Blaketown Bowling Club Incorporated for the renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises at 7-9 Reid

Street, Blaketown and known as the “Blaketown Bowling Club”, subject to the following conditions:

Conditions:

1. The licensee must take all practicable steps to ensure that;
 - a. there are at all times a secretary of the Club, and;
 - b. within 10 working days of the appointment of a new secretary, the Secretary of the Grey District Licensing Committee is told the name of the new secretary, and;
 - c. all proceeds from the sale of liquor belong to the Club.
2. The licensee must ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied to any person for consumption on the premises unless the person is:
 - a. an authorised customer or;
 - b. a person who is on the premises at the invitation of an authorised visitor who is also on the premises.
3. Alcohol may be sold and supplied for consumption on the premises on the following days and during the following hours:
 - a. **Monday 5.00pm to 9.00pm**
 - b. **Friday, Saturday, Sunday 10.00am to 11.00pm**
4. The club premise is designated as an undesignated area including the outside bowling green area, as per the plan submitted with the application.
5. The licensee must ensure that, while the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, no person consumes on the premises any alcohol not sold or supplied on the premises by the licensee.
6. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times the premises are open for the sale of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcohol beverages.
7. Drinking water is to be available free to patrons free of charge from a supply prominently situated on the premises.
8. 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 example menu with the application for this licence, or menu variations of a similar range and standard.
9. Signage for alternative forms of transport to be displayed and bar staff to assist members with arranging transport if needed.
10. The following other steps must be taken to promote the responsible consumption of alcohol:
 - a. evidence of age documents will be requested where appropriate;
 - b. the Licensee must ensure the provisions of the Act relating to the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons are observed,

and signage displayed detailing restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol to such persons.

11. The Licensee must ensure the following items are prominently displayed:
 - a. a sign at the premises, so as to be easily read by patrons, stating the ordinary hours of business during which the premises will be open for the sale of alcohol;
 - b. a copy of the licence, and of the conditions of the licence, attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises;
 - c. a sign prominently displayed at the premises which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty.

13. The licence is subject to the payment of licence fees as required by the Sales and Alcohol (fees) Regulations 2013.

The premises area is as set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 19 March 2024. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant has operated for many years and has not come to the notice of the reporting agencies in an adverse manner.

The applicant confirmed the reduction in licenced hours was agreed to by their committee at a meeting on Wednesday 27 March 2024.

There is one duty manager listed, Michael Dunn. Three current committee members are previous holders of a managers certificate, and all executive committee members are trained in the signs of intoxication. The committee is available to support the duty manager and staff.

The Licensing Inspector's report indicates that the amenity and good order of the locality will not be adversely affected by more than a minor extent should this licence be granted, and that the applicant is suitable to hold this licence. She does not oppose the application.

The Police and Medical Officer of Health do not oppose the application.

This Committee notes that, when the issue was raised by the Police and the Medical Officer of Health, the applicant was proactive in reassessing and thereby reducing hours.

As no objection to the application has been filed and no matters of opposition have been raised by the inquiring agencies, the application has been considered pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee sitting alone.

There is no evidence before the Committee which would suggest that the applicant would manage the premises in any way which would contravene the requirements of the Act and it is satisfied as to the matters that it must have regard to as set out in

sections 4, 105,106 and 131 of the Act.

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 7th day of May 2024



Rachel M van der Geest
Chairperson/Commissioner

GREY DISTRICT COUNCIL
19 MAR 2024
FILE No.

SHED

LADIES TOILET

MENS TOILET

KITCHEN
SMOKE ALARM

BAR

COOL ROOM + STORE ROOM

SHEDS

SMOKE ALARM

BURGLAR ALARM

METAL SENSER

SMOKE ALARM

BURGLAR ALARM

PAVING

Undesignated

Gate

Main Entrance

FRONT DOOR

BOUNDRIES
OUTSIDE FENCES

BLAKESTON
Bowling
Green

Gate
Shelters

Shelter

Shelter

Gate
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