

Decision No. GREYDLC 022/2025

**IN THE MATTER**

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

**AND**

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of an application by **WEST COAST HISTORICAL AND MECHANICAL SOCIETY INCORPORATED** pursuant to s.138 of the Act for an on-site Special Licence in respect of premises situated at 316 Rutherglen Road, Paroa and known as "Shantytown"

**BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

The West Coast Historical and Mechanical Society Incorporated has made an application for a special licence to sell and supply alcohol for an event at 316 Rutherglen Road, Paroa on Easter Friday.

The applicant is an incorporated society number 9429042909224 and holds a current on-licence number 55/ON/63/2016.

The event is the registration get-together for the reunion of the Greymouth High School Hostel. There is an estimated number of 250 people attending, with a probable age distribution of 50 years and over.

The proposed day and hours applied for are **Friday 18th April 2025 5.00pm - 9.00pm.**

The premise's principal entrance is from 316 Rutherglen Road, Paroa.

The whole of the premises is undesignated, as per the site plan submitted with the application.

**DECISION**

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by the West Coast Historical and Mechanical Incorporated for an on-site Special Licence for premises at 316 Rutherglen Road, Paroa known as "Shantytown", subject to the following conditions:

**CONDITIONS**

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days and during the following hours: **Friday 18th April 2025 5.00pm - 9.00pm.**
2. The licensed area of the premises is undesignated for the licence period and is shown on the plan attached to this licence.
3. A certified duty manager must be on duty at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol.

4. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
  - Minors and intoxicated persons must not be served alcohol.
5. The licensee must display signage as follows:
  - a. A sign at each principal entrance to 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. At every point of sale detailing restriction on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons;
  - c. A copy of the licence attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises and;
  - d. A sign prominently displayed at the premises, which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty.
6. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcoholic beverages.
7. Food, as listed by the applicant must be available for consumption on the premises during the licence hours.
8. Drinking water is to be provided free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
9. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
10. Noise levels are to be monitored at all times.
11. Payment of the fee prescribed under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013.

**The premises licensed area is set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 20 February 2025. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.**

### **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

The applicant has previously held special licences with no cause for concern.

The applicant has provided in their application host responsibility details which demonstrate that suitable measures will be undertaken to provide the following measures with regard to the responsible sales or supply of alcohol, and that harm will be minimised by:

- Food, in the form of sandwiches, wontons, samosas, sausage rolls and items as per the attached menu will be available on the premises during the licence hours.
- Free water will be available at the bar at no charge throughout the event.
- Non-alcoholic and low alcoholic beverages will be available.

There are seven listed certified duty managers, Kelly van der Wetering, April Teasdale, Laugharne Kemp, Amanda Pike, Lauren Hurley, Iona Littlejohn and Andrea Forest. There will be two managers working during this event and they will be supported by extra bar staff.

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

The Police and the Medical Officer of Health raise no matters in opposition.

The application was not required to be publicly notified and no opposition or notice of desire to be heard has been received.

Accordingly, I deal with the matter on the papers.

I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.142 of the Act.

Section 149(2) notes if a special licence issued is postponed to some other day, the licence is in force on the day on which the event or part takes place.

**DATED** at GREYMOUTH this 3rd day of March 2025



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Rachel M van der Geest  
Chairperson/Commissioner

# SITE PLAN

WHOLE AREA IS UNDESIGNATED

