

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act  
2012

**AND**

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of an application by **Paula Kearney** for a special licence pursuant to s.137 of the Act in respect of premises situated at Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei for an event known as the “**Child Family Reunion**”

**BEFORE THE WHANGAREI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Chairman: Councillor John Williamson  
Member: Paul Dimery  
Member: Mark Vincent

**DECISION (ON THE PAPERS)**

This is an application by **Paula Kearney** for an on-site special licence in respect of premises known as the Exhibition Hall situated at **Forum North, Rust Avenue, Whangarei** for an event known as the Child family Reunion.

The day and hours sought for the event is Saturday 26 April 2014, from 5.00pm until 1.00 am the following day.

The application relates to a family reunion for the Child family, this will include dinner and a social event. This will be held on the 26<sup>th</sup> April 2014 from 5.00pm until 1.00am the following day. It is to be held in the Expo Hall, Cafler Suite, and Bounty Room of Forum North. Three hundred people are expected to attend the event. Dinner will be served in the Expo Hall, and mixing and mingling will occur in the Cafler Suite and Bounty Room. The duty manager for the event Kathryn Mase 002/GM/107/2012) has held a managers certificate since 2012. She has been working at A'fare catering since 2012. During this time she has been the manager for several different functions that A'fare cater for.

The committee has received reports on the application from the Police, the Medical Officer of Health and the Licensing Inspector and none have raised matters in opposition. Further more the application did not require public notice. Accordingly we deal with the matters on the papers

Section 142 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 provides that in deciding whether or not to issue a special licence, the licensing committee must have regard to the following matters :

*(a) the object of this Act:*

*(b) the nature of the particular event for which the licence is sought and, in particular,—*

*(i) whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes at the event to engage in, the sale of goods other than alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which goods; and*

*(ii) whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes at the event 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:*

*(c) the suitability of the applicant:*

*(d) any relevant local alcohol policy:*

*(e) whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be reduced, by more than a minor extent, by the effects of the issue of the licence:*

*(f) the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol:*

*(g) the design and layout of the premises concerned:*

*(h) whether the applicant has appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law:*

*(i) any areas of the premises that the applicant proposes should be designated as restricted areas or supervised areas:*

*(j) any steps the applicant proposes to take to ensure that the requirements of this Act in relation to the sale and supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:*

*(k) the applicant's proposals relating to—*

*(i) the sale and supply of non-alcoholic drinks and food; and*

*(ii) the sale and supply of low-alcohol drinks; and*

*(iii) the provision of help with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises:*

*(l) any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, the Medical Officer of Health, or an inspector made under section 141.*

## DECISION

We are satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.142 of the Act and we grant the applicant an on-site special licence subject to the following conditions.

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days and during the following hours: **Saturday the 26<sup>th</sup> April 2014 5.00pm until 1.00am the following day**
2. Alcohol may be sold or supplied to the following types of people: **Persons attending the event**
3. The fees payable for the licence concerned are: **\$207 GST inclusive**
4. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of this Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed: **No sales to minors or intoxicated persons, appropriate signage displayed, request evidence of age documents when deemed necessary**
5. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of this Act relating to the management of premises are observed: **Manager to be on duty at all times and responsible for compliance, name of duty manager to be displayed.**
6. Free drinking water must be freely available to customers while the event is taking place at the following places: **On the tables and from the bar**
7. Where the principal business carried out on the premises is not the manufacture or sale of alcohol, the kinds of alcohol that may be sold or delivered on or from the premises are: **Beer and wine only**
8. Food must be available for consumption on the premises as follows: **Finger foods and buffet meal**
9. Low-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises as follows: **Low alcohol beer**
10. Non-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises as follows: **Fruit juices, soft drinks, tea and coffee**
11. The licensee must take the following steps to provide assistance with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises: **Taxi numbers displayed**
12. Members of the public must be excluded from the premises in the following circumstances: **Private event, members of the public excluded**
13. Alcohol may be sold in the following types of container only: **Standard glasses, bottles**

**DATED** at Whangarei this 1<sup>st</sup> day of April 2014

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Chairman  
**Whangarei District Licensing Committee**

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