

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act
2012

AND

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of an application by **Te Puu Ao Trust** for
a special licence pursuant to s.137 of the
Act in respect of **The Old Library**
premises situated at **7 Rust Avenue,**
Whangarei for an event known as the
Matariki Celebration

BEFORE THE WHANGAREI DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairman: Councillor John Williamson
Member: Mervyn Williams
Member: Mark Vincent

DECISION (ON THE PAPERS)

This is an application by **Te Puu Ao Trust** for an on-site special licence in respect of **The Old Library** situated at **7 Rust Avenue, Whangarei** for an event known as the **Matariki Celebration**.

The day and hours sought for the event is 19 July 2014, 6pm to 12 Midnight.

The application relates to a celebration to mark the Māori New Year, which will include a concert with live entertainment. The event is a fundraiser for Te Puu Ao Kapa Haka and will be attended by club members, and members of the public with the expected number of 200 guests.

Special licences have previously been issued to the applicant for similar events.

The duty manager's certificate granted to Lucy Ruka (01/GM/151/2004) was issued by the Far North District Council, she has held her managers certificate since 2004. Ms Ruka has run these events in the past without any concerns coming to the attention of enforcement partners.

A sufficient number of bar staff, all suitably trained and experienced have been employed for the event. The applicant has ensured that appropriate systems are in place to ensure compliance with the Act, which have been outlined in an Alcohol Management Plan submitted with their application.

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. Furthermore the application did not require public notice. Accordingly the committee deals 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

The committee is satisfied as to the matters to which it must have regard as set out in s.142 of the Act and it grants 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 19th July 2014 from 6.00pm until 12.00midnight.**
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; evidence of age documents must be requested when deemed necessary, door staff.**
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: **In the bar area and in the food area.**
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, RTD's and wine only.**
8. Food must be available for consumption on the premises as follows: **Finger food and ongoing nibbles throughout the evening.**
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, coffee and water.**
11. The licensee must take the following steps to provide assistance with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises: **Taxi telephone numbers displayed.**

12. Members of the public must be excluded from the premises in the following circumstances:
Private event, entry by ticket only.
13. Alcohol may be sold in the following types of container only: **Standard glasses, cans and bottles.**

DATED at Whangarei this 15th day of July 2014

Chairman
Whangarei District Licensing Committee
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