

Decision number:

031-2026

IN THE MATTER

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

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by
**Westland Community
Centre Incorporated**
pursuant to s. 120 and 127 of
the Act for a renewal and
variation of the ON Licence in
respect of premises situated
at 23 Weld Street, Hokitika
known as "**Hokitika's
Regent Theatre**"

BEFORE THE WESTLAND DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Application

Westland Community Centre Incorporated applies for renewal and variation ON Licence in respect of premises situated at 23 Weld Street, Hokitika known as "**Hokitika's Regent Theatre.**"

This business operates as a low risk theatre and function centre in central Hokitika.

The current days and hours of this licence are **Monday to Sunday 2.00pm to 12.00 midnight. They seek to amend the hours to 11.00am to 12.00 midnight.**

These hours are within the default national maximum trading hours for an on-licence of 8.00am to 4.00am.

The applicant has provided a list of substantive food options and the low alcohol and non-alcoholic refreshments that will be available at all times when the premises is open for the sale and supply of alcohol.

The food is to be prepared on-site, and the inspector is satisfied that it is of an acceptable variety and price range and will be provided within a reasonable timeframe of placing an order.

The application was publicly notified on council's website from 13th of January 2026, and no public objections were received.

Neither the Police nor the Medical Officer of Health raised any final matters in opposition.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant has provided an acceptable menu together with a list of both low and non-alcoholic refreshments that will satisfy the requirements of the Act.

Two certificated managers are appointed to the business and will oversee the sale, supply and consumption of alcohol.

The applicant must ensure that a certificated manager is on duty at all times when they are open for the sale and supply of alcohol.

The Inspector reports that the amenity and good order of the area has not been reduced by more than a minor extent.

No designation is required for this low-risk activity. We approve the variation of hours.

Overall, I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.105 and s.106 of the Act.

Accordingly, I deal with the ON Licence application on the papers.

DECISION

The District Licensing Committee Chairman, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, **approves** an application by **Westland Community Centre Incorporated** for the renewal and variation of the ON Licence in respect of premises situated at 23 Weld Street, Hokitika known as "**Hokitika's Regent Theatre**" subject to conditions.

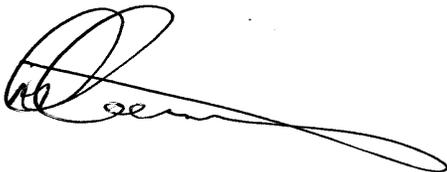
Conditions:

The licence is subject to the conditions listed as follows:

1. Alcohol may be sold or supplied for consumption on the premises only on the following days and hours:
Monday to Sunday 11.00am to 12.00 midnight;
2. No alcohol is to be sold or supplied on Good Friday, Easter Sunday, Christmas Day or before 1pm on Anzac Day to any person other than a person who is on the premises to dine;

3. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises;
4. 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-alcohol beverages;
5. Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, in accordance with the sample menu supplied with the application for this licence or menu variations of a similar range and standard. Menus must be visible, and food should be actively promoted;
6. **A properly appointed certificated, or Acting or Temporary, manager must be on duty at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol and their full name must be on a sign prominently displayed in the premises;**
7. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises;
8. The Licensee must display:
 - a. At every point of sale, signs detailing restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons;
 - b. At the principal entrance to the premises, so as to be easily read by people immediately outside the premises, a sign stating the ordinary hours of business during which the premises will be open for sale of alcohol;
 - c. A copy of the licence attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises.

DATED at HOKITIKA this 12th day of March 2026



Murray Clearwater
Chairperson/Commissioner
Westland District Licensing Committee

