Decision number: 096-2024

IN THE MATTER of Sale and Supply of Alcohol

Act 2012(the Act)

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by

Trappers Limited pursuant to s127 of the Act for the renewal of the ON Licence in respect of premises situated at 250 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika known as the "Woodstock

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Hotel"

BEFORE THE WESTLAND DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Application

Trappers Limited applies for the renewal of the ON Licence in respect of premises situated at 250 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika known as the "Woodstock Hotel".

The business is a hotel across the river from Kaniere, and they offer food, alcohol and refreshments and accommodation to the locals and tourists. They also do off-site food catering and operate a small craft brewery.

The current days and hours are **Monday to Sunday 8.00am to 2.00am the following day.** No changes are sought.

These hours are within the default national maximum trading hours for ON licensed premises.

The application was publicly notified on the council website from the 9th of April 2024. No objections were received from members of the public.

Reasons for the Decision

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

The inspector reports that the amenity and good order of the area has not been reduced by more than a minor extent. He recommends that the outside areas become unlicensed after 11.00pm to prevent the escape of noise.

We cannot arbitrarily alter the licensed area, or its hours, without the consent of the applicant or until after hearing evidence at a public hearing. The onus is clearly on the licensee to respect the privileges they have on the licence, and to not come to notice in an adverse manner.

We do note that the currently licence has the bar **and the restaurant** as Supervised Areas. The proposed regime outlined by the Inspector and the applicant appears to make sense. I.e. the bar and the riverside smoker's veranda are to be Supervised Areas at all times. The garden bar and the restaurant will now be undesignated.

By all accounts the applicant is a responsible licensee, and I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.131 of the Act.

I deal with the 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 **Trappers Limited** for the renewal of the ON Licence in respect of premises situated at 250 Woodstock-Rimu Road, Hokitika known as the "**Woodstock Hotel**" subject to conditions.

We refresh the licence conditions to reflect best practice.

Conditions:

The ON licence is subject to the conditions listed below:

1. Alcohol may be sold or supplied for consumption on the premises only on the following days and hours:

Monday to Sunday 8.00am to 2.00am the following day;

- No alcohol is to be sold or supplied on the premises 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 or lodging on the premises;
- 3. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
- 4. The Bar and the riverside smoker's veranda are to be Supervised Areas at all times. The garden bar and the restaurant will now be undesignated.
- 5. 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.
- 6. 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;
- 7. 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;
- 8. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises;
- 9. 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;

The renewal will be for three years from the expiry of the current licence and a replacement licence is to be issued.

DATED at Hokitika this 21st day of June 2024

Murray Clearwater
Chairperson/Commissioner
Westland District Licensing Committee

