

Decision number: 17/ON/008/2024

**IN THE MATTER**

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

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER**

of an application  
by **WAIKATO HOTELS  
GROUP LIMITED**  
pursuant to s.127 of the Act  
for the renewal of the ON  
Licence for premises situated  
at 204-206 Rosebery Street,  
Tokoroa, now known as  
**'SCOTTY'S SPORTS BAR'**

**BEFORE THE SOUTH WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**The Application**

**WAIKATO HOTELS GROUP LIMITED applies for the renewal of the ON Licence for premises situated at 204-206 Rosebery Street, Tokoroa, known as 'SCOTTY'S SPORTS BAR'.**

The business is that of a tavern with gaming machines and originally sought a variation to the licence condition pertaining to serving shots.

The current days and hours are **Monday to Saturday 10.00am to 2.00am the following day and Sunday 10.00am to 12.00 midnight.**

The hours are within the default national maximum trading hours prescribed under the Act for on licensed premises.

The application was publicly notified in the South Waikato News on 30<sup>th</sup> of July 2024. No public objections were received by the DLC secretariat.

**Both the Police and the Medical Officer of Health raised matters in opposition regarding the variations sought. Those oppositions are now withdrawn.**

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## Reasons for the Decision

The Inspector reports that the applicant and its new directors are doing their best after the untimely death of the previous director Scott LEATHEM and does have certificated managers working in the business.

The whole of the premises is designated as a Restricted Area.

Overall, I am satisfied that the conditions that we imposed in 2020 have largely worked and that this activity has not reduced the amenity and good order of the locality by more than a minor extent.

Public bars are high risk venues, and we are sure the regulatory agencies will continue to conduct compliance inspections from time to time.

Subject to the above, I deal with the matter on the papers.

## **DECISION**

The District Licensing Committee Chairman, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012, **approves** an application by **WAIKATO HOTELS GROUP LIMITED** for the renewal of the **ON Licence for premises situated at 204-206 Rosebery Street, Tokoroa, known as 'SCOTTY'S SPORTS BAR'** 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 Saturday 10.00am to 2.00am the following day; Sunday 10.00am to 10.00pm;**
  2. **A One-Way Door shall apply from 12 midnight. No Entry, Exit Only from this time;**
  3. 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;
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4. The whole of the premises is designated as a **Restricted Area at all times**;
  5. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises;
  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 alcohol beverages,
  7. **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,**
  8. 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,
  9. The Licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises,
  10. 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.
  11. **Spirit based alcoholic beverages known as 'shots' are only able to be sold, supplied, and consumed at these premises on Fridays and Saturday nights between 5pm and 12midnight.**
  12. **A minimum of two (2) COA qualified security staff are to be engaged on door control from 8.00pm Fridays and Saturdays and on any other day when more than 50 patrons are on the premises.**
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The licence is renewed for three (3) years from the expiry of the current licence and a replacement licence is to be issued. This renewed licence will expire on 25 August 2027.

**DATED** at TOKOROA this 28<sup>th</sup> day of February 2025

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Murray Clearwater', with a long, sweeping tail extending to the right.

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Murray Clearwater  
**Chairperson/Commissioner**  
**South Waikato District Licensing Committee**

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