Application number:	**SP4798**
IN THE MATTER	of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)
AND	
IN THE MATTER	of an application by **Megan Weston** for a special licence pursuant to section 137 of the Act on the occasion of an 'Engagement Party' to be held at 8 Meeanee Road, Taradale, Napier.

BEFORE THE NAPIER DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairperson
Mr Stuart Hylton

DECISION

1. Introduction

This is an application by **Megan Weston** for a special licence in regard to an event to be held at 8 Meeanee Road, Taradale, Napier and known as Taradale Town Hall. The nature of the event for which the licence is sought is an 'Engagement Party'.

The date and hours sought is –

- **Saturday 20 June 2020, between 6.30pm and 11.30pm**

2. Application

The application was received on 10 March 2020 and included a site plan showing the area to be licensed.

The application was not advertised and no opposition or notice of desire to be heard has been received under section 141 of the Act. Accordingly we deal with the matter on the papers in accordance with section 202(1).

In considering the application for special licence the committee had regard to the following criteria under section 142 of the Act:

(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.

3. Reporting Agencies

The following reports were received under section 141 of the Act.

Police Report – No opposition within report received on 16 June 2020.

Medical Officer of Health – No opposition within report received on 12 March 2020.

Licensing Inspector Report – Full report provided by the inspector including assessment of application against section 142 criteria. The Inspector concludes that the application is complete and will likely meet the criteria of the Act. Draft conditions are also offered by the inspector.

The file, including inspectors report, included the following key matters –

- The applicant is a natural person who is organising the event as mother of the groom.
- Suitability is not challenged.
- The premise is a town hall that has been in existence for a number of years, is zoned for such events and an extra special licence should not reduce amenity and good order of the locality. The premise has held special licensed events previously.
- The premise is suitable for the type of event and layout has been suitable in the past. The marked floor plan was included which is the Hall area generally with no designations sought.
- The hours appear relevant for the event being undertaken.
- No certified manager is nominated for the event. A s. 213(2) waiver is recommended for **Megan Weston** to act as manager for the event.
- Both the Police and MOH have no opposition to the application.

4. Decision

The Committee is satisfied as to the matters under the Act to allow the application to be granted. The application for Special Licence is **Approved** for issue subject to the conditions outlined in the inspector's report.

DATED at Napier this 16 June 2020.

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Chairperson
Napier District Licensing Committee