

**DECISION**

**ON0003/2023**

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol  
Act 2012

**AND**

**IN THE MATTER**

of an application by **Crown Hotel  
(2006) Limited** for a renewal of an  
On-licence pursuant to section 127 of  
the Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

**BEFORE THE NAPIER DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

The application for renewal of On-licence (030/ON/0003/2019) was publicly advertised in the Hawkes Bay Today on 15 and 22 August 2022 along with a display notice attached to the premise in accordance with the Regulations, with no objections received.

As no matters of opposition were raised under section 102 and 103 reports; therefore the matter was considered by the Napier District Licensing Commissioner on the papers contained in the full file provided by the secretary.

**Commissioner:Stuart Hylton**

**RESERVED DECISION OF THE NAPIER DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

**1. Application**

On the 12 August 2022, **Crown Hotel (2006) Limited** on the prescribed form made application for renewal of an On-licence. This is the sixth renewal application by the licensee.

The application for renewal of On-licence is in relation to the premises known as '*The Crown Hotel*' situated at 22a Waghorne Street, Ahuriri, Napier.

The general nature of the business is that of a 'Hotel Style On-licence'.

The renewal application seeks to renew with the same existing conditions. The premise has not come to the notice of authorities in an adverse manner during the renewal period.

The complete file included –

- The application
- Fire evacuation compliance statement
- Host Responsibility Plan
- Owner permission letter
- Food/Drinks list
- Floor plan
- Photo's
- Copy of draft public notice and public display
- Existing Licence
- Reports from Police, Medical Officer of Health and Inspector

## **2. Decision Making**

In considering this application for On-licence the licensing committee had regard to the criteria under section 131 and 105 of the Act.

Section 105 assessments were made referencing the inspector's full report and own assessment. I accept the inspector's assessment and recommendations.

Key matters raised in the application including the inspector's report were –

- The applicant is a registered private company with no changes to structure.
- The applicant named two managers to manage the licence, which for this type of premises should be adequate.
- The premise has not come to the notice of authorities in an adverse manner during the renewal period. This is the sixth renewal application.
- The applicant provided a host responsibility policy that if followed should ensure the object of the act is met.
- The applicant appears to have appropriate systems, staff and training to comply with the law.
- There were no reports questioning suitability and therefore neither do I.
- The current hours wanting to be renewed have operated without incident i.e.

**Monday to Sunday, between 8.00am to 2.00am, the following day;**

- Floor plan provided works well for the general nature of the business held on the premises. The whole licensed premise is to be designated 'supervised'.
- An environmental scan of the area suggests there is no reason to believe the amenity and good order of the locality would likely to be increased, more than a minor extent, by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence.
- The applicant has satisfactory systems for staff training and performance.

## **3 Reporting Agencies**

The following reports were received under section 103 of the Act and taken into account during the decision.

**3.1 Police** – No opposition.

**3.2 Medical Officer of Health** – Report received on 19 August 2022, of no opposition.

**3.3 Licensing Inspector** – Full report dated 5 September 2022. The inspector has no opposition to the application and assessed the application against s. 105 matters with no matters of opposition raised. The inspector concludes that the application meets the criteria for renewal of the licence with existing conditions.

## **4 Conclusion**

Based on the evidence provided to me within the complete file, my assessment above of section 105 matters and the past operation of the premise/licensee, I conclude that the application by **Crown**

**Hotel (2006) Limited** meets the statutory criteria to be granted a renewal of On-licence under the Act for a period of three (3) years, from the expiry date of the previous licence.

The licence will be subject to the existing conditions on the licence.

**5 Decision**

Accordingly the application is **Approved** for issue immediately.

**Dated at Napier District this 21 day of September 2022.**

**Signed**



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**Stuart Hylton**  
**Napier District Licensing Commissioner**