

# Notice of Decision



Decision No. 57/ON/472/2017

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

**AND**

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of an application by Aotearoa New Zealand Fine Wine Estates LP pursuant to s.127 of the Act for renewal of an On-Licence in respect of premises situated at 548 Pyramid Valley Road, Hawarden known as "Pyramid Valley Vineyards"

**BEFORE THE Hurunui District Licensing Committee**

Chairperson: Councillor M Black

**DECISION (ON THE PAPERS)**

This is an application by Aotearoa New Zealand Fine Wine Estates LP for renewal of an On-Licence in respect of premises situated at 548 Pyramid Valley Road, Hawarden, known as "Pyramid Valley Vineyards".

The applicant also seeks a variation to the licensed hours to align with the off licensed hours.

The current licensed hours granted are:

On-licence: Monday to Sunday 10.00am to 5.00pm

Off-licence: Monday to Sunday 9.00am to 5.00pm

The proposed new on-licence hours are:

On-licence: Monday to Sunday 9.00am to 5.00pm

Aotearoa New Zealand Fine Wine Estates LP has traded as Pyramid Valley Vineyards since 15 December 2017 following the purchase of the vineyard and winery.

Huw Kinch has been employed at Pyramid Valley Vineyards since 18 June 2018. He has overall operational responsibility for the winery and is the winemaker.

The scale of the Pyramid Valley Vineyards operation under the on and off-licences is very low. Huw advised that all tastings were by appointment only and for small groups of people. There have been 10 to 12 groups (of 2 to 4 people) over the summer months during the past

year of operation. The scale and frequency of tastings is not expected to increase in the short term. Tasting experiences primarily are hosted for overseas visitors as part of organised wine tasting experiences and are charged at \$50 per person.

Huw advised the licensee has future plans to build a vineyard experience studio which will include a tasting room. This is in the early planning phase and work is not likely to begin within the next 2 years.


The application was duly advertised and no objection or notice of desire to be heard has been received.

In their reports, the Police, Medical Officer of Health and District Licensing Inspector have raised no matters in opposition to this application.

We are satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.131 of the Act. We renew the licence until 15 December 2021, that being three years from the first anniversary of the licence.

Due to a practice direction from the Alcohol Regulatory and Licensing Authority we authorise the issue of a replacement licence with a new number and notice of renewal.

**DATED** at Amberley this 11 March 2019



Secretary

**Hurunui District Licensing Committee**