

Notice of Decision



Decision No. 57/ON/473/2018

IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act
2012

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by Waiau River
Estate Limited pursuant to s.127 of
the Act for renewal of an On-Licence
in respect of premises situated at
2254 Mouse Point Road, Culverden
known as "Hells Gate Wines"

BEFORE THE Hurunui District Licensing Committee

Chairperson: Councillor M Black

DECISION (ON THE PAPERS)

This is an application by Waiau River Estate Limited for renewal of an On-Licence in respect of premises situated at 2254 Mouse Point Road, Culverden, known as "Hells Gate Wines".

No changes to the conditions of the licence have been sought by the applicant.

Waiau River Estate Limited has traded as Hells Gate Wines since 15 February 2018. This is a family business and has previously traded as Marble Point Winery.

The café and winery operation has been scaled back to a degree. Following completion of earthquake repairs to non-licensed buildings, the property and business is expected to be listed for sale. In the meantime, the café and cellar door will continue to operate.

The winery has three duty manager's; Conrad Adams and Sheryl Dennis have held manager's certificates since 2009 and 2016 respectively and have experience managing the winery. Samantha Ford was issued her manager's certificate on 5 December 2018.

The application indicated an Evacuation Scheme was not required and FENZ indicated that statement was true. The occupancy numbers for the building were queried and the FFP Certificate indicated the maximum occupancy was 183 people. They advised they did not have any bookings for events over approximately 60 people and voluntarily opted to cap the occupancy numbers at 99. A sign indicating this was placed near the cellar door entrance. This is a voluntary measure whereby an Evacuation Scheme would not be required by the current licensees.

In the event of the change of licensee at the winery, then the occupancy numbers for the ongoing operation will need to be reviewed and an Evacuation Scheme potentially being required.

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 on the existing terms and conditions until 15 February 2022, 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 13 March 2019



Secretary

Hurunui District Licensing Committee