

Decision No. GREYDLC121/2015

IN THE MATTER

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

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by
**GREYMOUTH SQUASH
RACKETS CLUB
INCORPORATED** pursuant to
s.120 and s.127 of the Act for a
renewal of the Club Licence in
respect of premises situated at 46
Alexander Street, Greymouth
known as the "Greymouth Squash
Club"

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

The Greymouth Squash Rackets Club Inc. has applied for a renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises situated at 46 Alexander Street, Greymouth known as the "Greymouth Squash Club".

The applicant currently holds a club licence.

The general nature of the activity is that of a club and has been operating for a number of years. The premise is located on land zoned commercial in the Grey District Plan which has residential properties and homes located on the street, including a pre-school across the road. The main principal entrance is noted as the downstairs front door off Alexander Street, and is by a coded key entry only system which is electronically recorded with all names, times and date of entry and exit of members.

The application showing the variation of hours sought was notified Tuesday 14 July 2015 and Tuesday 21 July 2015 and no objections were received.

The applicant has applied for a variation of days and hours of operation which the inspector notes is more reflective of what the club would like as their trading hours:

1. Monday to Thursday – 3pm to 11pm
2. Friday and Saturday – 11am to 1am the following day.
3. Sunday – 11am to 10pm.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant has operated for many years and has not come to notice of the reporting agencies in an adverse manner.

The principal activity is a sports club and the inspector reports that the amenity and good order of the area has not been adversely affected and that the applicant has sound host responsibility practices.

There is no evidence before the Committee which would suggest that the applicant would manage the premises in any way which would contravene the requirements of the Act.

The detailed report from the Grey District Licensing Inspector advises she does not oppose the application and recommends the licence be renewed for a further period of three years.

The Police and Medical Officer of Health raise no matters in opposition.

I am satisfied that the applicant has sufficient staff and adequate training to manage the Club in accordance with the Act.

As no objection to the application has been filed and no matters of opposition have been raised by the inquiring agencies, the application has been considered pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee sitting alone.

Overall I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.105 and s.106 and s.131 of the Act.

DECISION

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairman, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 approves an application by the Greymouth Squash Rackets Club for a renewal of the Club Licence in respect of premises 46 Alexander Street, Greymouth known as the "Greymouth Squash Club" subject to conditions.

Conditions:

The licence is subject to the conditions listed below:

1. Alcohol may be sold and supplied on the following days and hours:
 - Monday to Thursday - 3pm to 11pm
 - Friday and Saturday – 11am to 1am the following morning
 - Sunday - 11am to 10pm
2. The whole premise is designated as undesignated.
3. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed: minors and intoxicated person must not be served alcohol.

4. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge at all times.
5. Food as listed by the applicant to be available on the premises during the licence hours.
6. Low and non-alcoholic beverages must be available for sale and supply from the bar at all times.
7. Signage for alternative form of transport to be displayed with staff to assist patrons with arranging transport.
8. The licensee must ensure that no alcohol is sold or supplied to any person for consumption on the premises unless the person is –
 - A member of the club,
 - Is on the premises at the invitation of, and is accompanied by, a member of the club, or
 - An authorised visitor,
9. The licence is subject to the payment of licence fees as required by the Sales and Alcohol (fees) Regulations 2013.

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 23 day of November 2015



Alan T O'Connell
Chairman/Commissioner

