

Decision No. GREYDLC 089/2023

IN THE MATTER

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

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by **JOHN GREGORY TORRANCE** pursuant to s.224 of the Act for a Renewal of a General Manager's Certificate

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

This is an application by John Gregory Torrance for the renewal of his manager's certificate to manage licenced premises known as "Blaketown Rugby Football Club".

It was filed with the Grey District Council and is to be considered under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 and by the District Licensing Committee.

On 1 July 2023, the applicant was issued an infringement notice and demerit points by Police after he drove a motor vehicle with a breath alcohol reading which exceeded the legal limit of 250 micrograms of alcohol per litre of breath.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant was interviewed by Police and the Licensing Inspector on 21 August 2023 in relation to the excess breath alcohol incident. The applicant advised that he was shocked by the incident and did not want a recurrence of it again. He also advised that since the incident he is no longer consuming alcohol.

The Police and Licensing Inspector do not oppose this application, however they have advised the applicant that if there are any further incidents with Police in the next two years his suitability as a duty manager may be re-assessed.

The Licensing Inspector reports that the applicant has managed the Blaketown Rugby Club in a satisfactory manner and that he has the experience, knowledge and skills to manage a licensed premise.

The applicant holds the required Licence Controller Qualification and has previously held a General Manager's Certificate under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

No undertakings are sought by the agencies.

Accordingly, the application is dealt with on the papers.

DECISION

The application and supporting information satisfies the committee that the criteria we must have in regard to as set out in s227 of the Act have been met.

The District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by John Gregory Torrance for the renewal of his Manager's Certificate.

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 28th day of August 2023



Rachel M van der Geest

Chairperson/Commissioner