

Decision No. GREYDLC 091/2026

IN THE MATTER

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

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by **FREEMAN
2025 LIMITED** for the renewal of
an On-Licence pursuant to s.127 of
the Act in respect of premises
situated at 201-205 High Street,
Greymouth and known as the
“Australasian Bar and Grill”

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Freeman 2025 Limited has made an application for the renewal of an on-licence for premises situated at 201-205 High Street, Greymouth and known as the “Australasian Bar and Grill”.

The applicant is a private company incorporated on 12 March 2025, number 9429052680113. The directors and shareholders are Mathew James Colville Freeman and Jungsim Choi.

The general nature of the business is that of a restaurant and bar, with applied licensed hours of Monday to Sunday - 8.00am to 3.00am.

The premises are zoned commercial in the Te Tai O Poutini plan and this activity is permitted within this zone.

The principal entrance to the premises is from 201 High Street, Greymouth.

The bar area of the premises shall be designated supervised, the kitchen, restaurant, and the clearly defined outdoor areas, designated as undesignated and the gaming room designated restricted, as per the plan attached to the application.

DECISION

The District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by Freeman 2025 Limited for the renewal of an on-licence in respect of premises at 201-205 High Street, Greymouth and known as the “Australasian Bar and Grill”, subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS OF LICENCE

1. Alcohol may be sold and supplied for consumption on the premises only on the following days and the following hours:
 - a. **Monday to Sunday - 8:00am to 3:00am the following day.**

2. As per the plan submitted with this licence, the following areas are designated as:
 - a. Restaurant, kitchen and outdoor decking areas - Undesignated
 - b. Bar area - Supervised
 - c. Gaming room - Restricted
3. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when the premises are open for the sale of alcohol a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcohol beverages.
4. Drinking water is to be provided to patrons free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
5. Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times the premises are open for the sale of alcohol, in accordance with the sample menu submitted with the application for this licence, or menu variations of a similar range and standard. Menus must be visible and food should be actively promoted.
6. A properly appointed certificated or acting or temporary manager must be on duty at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, and their full name must be on a sign prominently displayed in the premises.
7. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
8. The following other steps must be taken to promote the responsible consumption of alcohol:
 - a. All service staff must be trained in their responsibilities under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.
 - b. Evidence of age documents will be requested where appropriate.
 - c. The Licensee must ensure the provisions of the Act relating to the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons are observed, and signage displayed detailing restrictions on the sale and supply of alcohol to such persons.
9. The Licensee must ensure the following items are prominently displayed:
 - a. A sign at the principal entrance to the premises, so as to be easily read by patrons, stating the ordinary hours of business during which the premises will be open for the sale of alcohol.
 - b. A copy of the licence, and of the conditions of the licence, attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises.
10. The licence is subject to the payment of licence fees as required by the Sales and Alcohol (fees) Regulations 2013.

The premises are as set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 30 June 2026. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The business carried out upon the premises is that of a restaurant and bar and is of a kind for which an on-licence may be granted.

The directors, Mathew FREEMAN and Jungsim CHOI, are experienced licensees and are holders of a current managers certificate. FREEMAN has over 20 years experience in the industry, including 10 years as a duty manager. He served as the site manager at the Australasian Bar and Grill for three years prior to acquiring ownership of the business in 2025.

This is the first renewal of this on-licence and there have been no concerns or incidents raised during the previous year.

There are four duty managers listed, Mathew FREEMAN, Jungsim CHOI, Cerise KENNEDY and Jaime CHRISTIE.

The Licensing Inspector's report indicates that the amenity and good order of the locality will not be adversely affected by more than a minor extent should this application be granted, and that the applicant is suitable to hold this licence. She does not oppose the application.

The Police and Medical Officer of Health do not oppose the application. No undertakings are sought by the agencies.

This application was duly notified on Council website and no objections were received from members of the public.

Accordingly, I deal with the matter on the papers.

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 and it is satisfied as to the matters that it must have regard to as set out in sections 4, 105, 106 and 131 of the Act.

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 12th day of August 2026




Rachel van der Geest
Chairperson/Commissioner