

IN THE MATTER

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

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by **BLACKBALL WORKINGMENS CLUB AND MUTUAL SCHOOL OF ARTS INCORPORATED** pursuant to s.138 of the Act for an on-site Special Licence in respect of premises situated at 19 Hart Street, Blackball and known as the "Blackball Workingmen's Club"

BEFORE THE GREY DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Blackball Workingmen's Club and Mutual School of Arts Inc has made an application for a special licence to sell and supply alcohol for two events at 19 Hart Street, Blackball, to allow non-members to attend.

The applicant is an incorporated society, number 2708551 and holds a current Club licence number 55/CLUB/84/2015 with licensed hours of Monday to Saturday 10am - 1am the following morning and Sunday 11am - 10pm.

The events are an annual fundraiser for the local swimming pool and a darts competition.

There is an estimated number of 80 people attending the fundraiser and 40 attending the darts competition, with a probable age distribution of 18-80 years at both events.

The proposed days and hours applied for are Saturday 26th September 2026 - 3.00pm to 1.00am and Saturday 14th November 2026 12.00pm to 1.00am.

The premise's principal entrance is from 19 Hart Street, Blackball.

The whole of the licensed area, including the clearly defined outdoor area, is undesignated as per the plan submitted with the application.

DECISION

The Grey District Licensing Committee Chairperson, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 **grants** an application by Blackball Workingmen's Club & Mutual School of Arts Incorporated for an on-site Special Licence for premises at 19 Hart Street, Blackball and known as the "Blackball Workingmen's Club", subject to the following conditions:

CONDITIONS

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following day and during the following hours:
 - a. **Saturday 26th September 2026 - 3.00pm to 1.00am the following day.**

b. Saturday 14th November 2026 - 12.00pm to 1.00am the following day.

2. The licensed area of the premises is undesignated for the licence period and is shown on the plan attached to this licence.
3. A certified duty manager must be on duty at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol.
4. 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 persons must not be served alcohol.
5. The licensee must display signage as follows:
 - a. A sign at each 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. At every point of sale detailing restriction on the sale and supply of alcohol to minors and intoxicated persons;
 - c. A copy of the licence attached to the premises so as to be easily read by persons attending the premises and;
 - d. A sign prominently displayed at the premises, which identifies by name the manager for the time being on duty.
6. The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcoholic beverages.
7. Food, as listed by the applicant must be available for consumption on the premises during the licence hours.
8. Drinking water is to be provided free of charge from a water supply prominently situated on the premises.
9. The licensee must provide information, advice and assistance about alternative forms of transport available to patrons from the licensed premises.
10. Noise levels are to be monitored at all times.
11. Payment of the fee prescribed under the Sale and Supply of Alcohol (Fees) Regulations 2013.

The premises licensed area is set out on the plan submitted with the application and date stamped 11 August 2026. A note to this effect is to be made on the licence.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant has previously held special licences with no cause for concern.

The applicant has provided in their application host responsibility details which demonstrate that suitable measures will be undertaken to provide the following measures with regard to the responsible sales or supply of alcohol, and that harm will be minimised by:

- A range of food, including sandwiches and savouries, as per the attached cover letter with the application, will be available on the premises during the licenced hours for the fundraiser evening, and burgers, seafood baskets and other foods as per the attached menu, will be available for the darts competition.

- Free water will be available at the bar at no charge throughout the event.
- Non-alcoholic and low alcoholic beverages will be available.

There are three certified duty managers listed, Alice DAVIES, Nicholas SECKER and Anastasia SHEEHAN.

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

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

The application was not required to be publicly notified and no opposition or notice of desire to be heard has been received.

Accordingly, I deal with the matter on the papers.

I am satisfied as to the matters to which we must have regard as set out in s.142 of the Act.

Section 149(2) notes if a special licence issued is postponed to some other day, the licence is in force on the day on which the event or part takes place.

DATED at GREYMOUTH this 2nd day of September 2026



Rachel M van der Geest
Chairperson/Commissioner