

IN THE MATTER of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by Brad Lane Bakker pursuant to s.138 of the Act for a special licence in respect of premises situated at 42 Whitikahu Road GORDONTON known as "Woodlands Estate".

BEFORE THE WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner: Andrew Baker

DECISION

[1] I have before me an application by Brad Lane Bakker for a special licence in respect of premises situated at 42 Whitikahu Road, Gordonton known as "Woodlands Estate".

[2] The inspector has filed a report on the application and does not oppose the granting of the special licence. The Police and the Medical Officer of Health have offered no opposition to the granting of the special licence.

[3] The application is for a wedding celebration event.

[4] For the purposes of this licence, the licensed area or premises is as defined within the site plan submitted as part of the application date stamped received by Waikato District Council on 20 January 2025.

[5] The applicant has suggested that there be parts of the premises designated as supervised which has been supported through the Inspector's report. This premises is an established function centre and hosts events of this type regularly and had been issued similar special licenses in the past. On those occasions the whole of the premises have been undesignated which for a wedding event where it is possible there will be minors moving about freely is the appropriate designation. Accordingly, unless there are specific reasons raised following the issuing of this decision, the premises shall be undesignated.

[6] The following conditions will apply to the licence:

- (a) Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days and during the following hours:
Saturday, 8 March 2025 3.30pm to 11.30pm
- (b) The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale and supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
 - (i) Display appropriate signs adjacent to every point of sale detailing the statutory restrictions on the supply of alcohol to minors and the complete prohibition on sales to intoxicated persons.

- (c) The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the management of the premises are observed:
 - (i) All staff will be trained in their responsibilities under the Act.
 - (ii) A sign shall be prominently displayed inside the premises, which identifies by name the manager on duty or of the person responsible for the management of the sale and supply of alcohol under the licence.
- (d) Drinking water must be freely available from the bar service area.
- (e) The licensee must have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when alcohol may be sold under the licence, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic and low-alcohol beverages.
- (f) A reasonable range of food appropriate to the event shall be available during the hours of this licence.
- (g) The licensee must take the following steps to provide assistance with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises:
 - (i) Display telephone numbers and information for alternative forms of transport such as taxis and dial-a-driver services.
- (h) The whole of the premises are undesignated.

[7] I am satisfied as to the matters to which I must have regard in s.142 of the Act, and I am satisfied that this application meets the purpose and object of the Act. Accordingly, I grant the special licence which may issue immediately.

[8] A copy of the licence is to be publicly displayed at the bar.

DATED at Auckland this 4th day of March 2025



Andrew Baker
Commissioner
Waikato District Licensing
Committee