

**IN THE MATTER**

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol  
Act 2012

**AND**

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of an application by Soundsplash  
Limited pursuant to s.138 of the  
Act for a special licence in  
respect of premises situated at  
368 Wainui Road, Raglan known  
as “Wainui Reserve”.

**BEFORE THE WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE**

Commissioner: Andrew Baker

**DECISION**

[1] I have before me an application by Soundsplash Limited for a special licence in respect of premises situated at 330 Wainui Road, Raglan known as “Wainui Reserve”.

[2] The inspector and Medical Officer initially opposed the application, and the matter was set down for a hearing to be held on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> December 2024. In updated reports received by the Committee on 6<sup>th</sup> December 2024, both agencies withdrew their opposition. The Police have offered no opposition to the granting of the special licence.

[3] The application is for a music festival event to be held over three days from 17<sup>th</sup> to 19<sup>th</sup> January 2025. Alcohol will only be sold or supplied on 17<sup>th</sup> and 18<sup>th</sup> January 2025. No alcohol is to be sold or supplied on Sunday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024.

[4] Detailed Alcohol Management and Security Plans have been submitted with the application. These plans place significant responsibility on the applicant and those tasked with specific roles with clear monitoring from reporting agencies.

[5] For the purposes of this event, there are two licensed areas making up the premises as defined within the site plan submitted as part of the Alcohol Management Plan on 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024. These licensed areas are more specifically known as Valley Bar and Soundsplash Summerhaze VIP Bar. The bar areas are to clearly delineated, fenced and patrolled by security staff as per the plans mentioned in paragraph 4.

[6] Rawiri Pohoera Piripi has been nominated as the event alcohol manager who will have responsibility for all licensed areas. Due to the location of those areas, each will have rostered certificate holding managers reporting to the festival alcohol manager. Significant responsibility lies with the festival alcohol manager ensuring all managers meet the expectations of the Act and the plans submitted with the application.

[7] 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:  
**Friday, 17 January 2025 from 2.00pm to 11.30pm, and  
Saturday, 18 January 2025 from 2.00pm to 11.30pm**
- b) The sale of alcohol is to cease at 11.30 pm and the consumption of alcohol must stop at 12.00midnight.
- c) A reasonable range of food appropriate to the event as specified within the application and shall be available during the hours of this licence.
- d) The licensee shall have available for consumption on the premises, at all times when alcohol may be sold and supplied under the licence, a reasonable range of non-alcoholic refreshments and low alcoholic beverages.
- e) Drinking water is to be freely available to customers at all bars while the premises are open for business and signage directing people to drinking water must be prominently displayed on the premises.
- f) The following steps must be taken to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
  - i. Ensure that no intoxicated persons are allowed to enter or to remain on the premises.
  - ii. Ensure that appropriate signs are prominently displayed detailing the statutory restrictions on the supply of liquor to minors and intoxicated persons adjacent to every point of sale.
  - iii. Ensure that appropriate signs are prominently displayed detailing information about alternative forms of transport from the premises including provision of a courtesy vehicle to transport patrons from the premises.
- g) For the purposes of the licence Rawiri Pohoera Piripi has been nominated to manage the conduct of the sale of alcohol as a certified manager. Should that person be unable to fulfill that duty, a replacement with clear understanding of their responsibilities shall be appointed with details provided to the senior member of Police and or Alcohol Licensing Inspector who may be on site or by way of email and or phone call.
- h) A minimum of one certificate holding manager is required to be on site and on duty in each of the licensed areas to manage the conduct of the sale and supply of alcohol during the hours of this licence.
- g) All bar areas are designated as supervised areas until 9.00pm when they become designated as restricted areas.
- h) The following conditions apply to the sale and supply of alcohol:
  - i. Only two serves per person per transaction.
  - ii. Appropriate signage to be displayed at all bars informing customers of the number of serves per transaction allowed at any particular time.
  - iii. No BYO beverages permitted.
  - iv. No free pour of spirits permitted.
  - v. Alcohol to be decanted into plastic vessels and all cans are to be depressurised.
  - vi. No alcoholic drinks are allowed to be taken outside the licensed areas.
- i) The sale and supply of alcohol must cease if directed by an Alcohol Licensing Inspector or Senior Police Officer monitoring the event.
- j) The Alcohol Management and Security Plans as submitted and agreed to by reporting agencies and applicant are to be strictly adhered to at all times.

- k) Briefings involving event management, Police and Licensing Inspectorate staff are to be held at a minimum at 2.00pm, 9.30pm and at one other agreed time or more regularly to discuss general intoxication levels with ability to reduce serves if appropriate.
- l) Current Certificates of Approval (COA) for all security staff are to be held and displayed.

[8] I am satisfied as to the matters to which I must have regard in s.142 and s.143 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.

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

DATED at Auckland this 9<sup>th</sup> day of December 2024



Andrew Baker  
Commissioner  
Waikato District Licensing Committee