

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

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application by Phoenix Decoration Hire Limited pursuant to s.138 of the Act for a special licence in respect of premises situated at 42 Whitikahu Road GORDONTON known as "Phoenix Decoration Hire Limited".

BEFORE THE WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Commissioner: Andrew Baker

DECISION

[1] I have before me an application by Phoenix Decoration Hire Limited 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] The applicant has requested that the bar area be designated as supervised. Due to the nature of this event where it is likely that there will be a number of guests under the age of 18 who may seek to obtain a non-alcoholic drink from the bar, I believe having such a designation is not required and that the licensee, duty managers and staff should be able to manage and meet the requirements of the Act with the whole premise being undesignated which is common for events and venues of this type.

[5] For the purpose of this licence the licensed area (premises) is as defined within the site plan submitted with the application.

[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 1 February 2025 6.00pm 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 servery and on serving tables.
- (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 shall be 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 22nd day of January 2025.



A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read "A Baker".

Andrew Baker
Commissioner
Waikato District Licensing
Committee