

# Matamata-Piako District Licensing Committee



## IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

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of an application by **Morrinsville Rugby Sports & Recreation Club Incorporated** for the renewal of a **club licence** pursuant to section 127 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

Licence Number: **13/CLUB/003/2021**  
Original Licence Number: **013/CLUB/002/2018**  
File Number: **162.2008.61.6**

## BEFORE THE MATAMATA-PIAKO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Chairperson: Councillor Adrienne Wilcock

## DECISION ON THE PAPERS

This is an application by Morrinsville Rugby Sports & Recreation Club Incorporated for renewal of their club licence in respect of a premises situated at 355 Thames Street, Morrinsville known as the Morrinsville Rugby Sports and Recreation Club. The general nature of the premises is that of a sports club.

The application was filed on 10 February 2021 therefore the criteria under s.131 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 will apply.

The application was advertised in accordance with the Act, in the Piako Post on 18 February 2021. No objections were received.

Section 37 (2)(b) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Regulations 2013 relates to the manner of publication of public notice of applications for renewals of licences for premises or conveyance in very low-risk or low-risk fees category if published in a newspaper, one publication is sufficient. This application falls within that category.

The days and hours of operation set out in the application are:

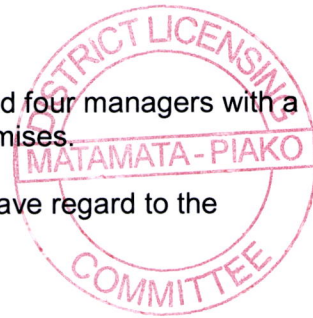
**Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 12.00 noon until 12.00 midnight**  
**Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 12.00 noon until 1.00 am the following day**  
**Sunday from 12.00 noon until 11.00 pm**

These hours differ from those permitted under the Club's existing licence and these hours comply with the requirements of the Council's provisional Local Alcohol Policy as it applies to this type of premises.

The application was referred to the Police, Medical Officer of Health and Inspector for comment. No matters in opposition have been raised in respect of the application. Accordingly the application is determined on the papers.

The applicant, in accordance with s.212 of the Act, has named four managers with a current certificate to manage the sale of alcohol from the premises.

In deciding whether to renew a licence the committee must have regard to the matters set out in s.105 and 131 of the Act. These are:



**Section 105**

- (a) *the object of this Act:*
- (b) *the suitability of the applicant:*
- (c) *any relevant local alcohol policy:*
- (d) *the days on which and the hours during which the applicant proposes to sell alcohol:*
- (e) *the design and layout of any proposed premises:*
- (f) *whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes on the premises to engage in, the sale of goods other than alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which goods:*
- (g) *whether the applicant is engaged in, or proposes on the premises to engage in, the provision of services other than those directly related to the sale of alcohol, low-alcohol refreshments, non-alcoholic refreshments, and food, and if so, which services:*
- (h) *whether the applicant has appropriate systems, staff, and training to comply with the law:*
- (i) *any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, an inspector, or a Medical Officer of Health made under section 103*

**Section 131**

- (a) *whether (in its opinion) the amenity and good order of the locality would be likely to be increased, by more than a minor extent, by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence:*
- (b) *any matters dealt with in any report from the Police, an inspector, or a Medical Officer of Health made by virtue of section 129:*
- (c) *the manner in which the applicant has sold (or, as the case may be, sold and supplied), displayed, advertised, or promoted alcohol.*

The object of the Act is that the sale, supply and consumption of alcohol should be undertaken safely and responsibly, and the harm caused by excessive or inappropriate consumption of alcohol should be minimised.

The Inspector has noted that he considers Morrinsville Rugby Sports & Recreation Club to be a suitable body to hold a club licence. He has also noted that in his opinion the amenity and good order of the locality would be unlikely to be increased by more than a minor extent by the effects of a refusal to renew the licence.

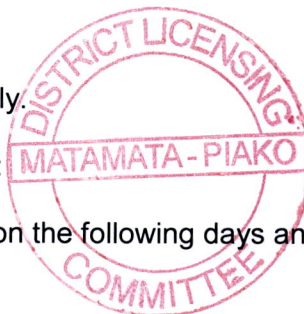
I am satisfied as to those matters to which I must have regard and grant the renewal of the club licence for a further three years.

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The renewal certificate can be issued immediately.

The licence is subject to the following conditions:



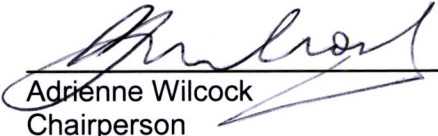
- a) Alcohol may only be sold under the licence on the following days and during the following hours:

**Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday from 12.00 noon until 12.00 midnight**  
**Thursday, Friday & Saturday from 12.00 noon until 1.00 am the following day**  
**Sunday from 12.00 noon until 11.00 pm**

- b) The Club shall 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) Evidence of age documents will be requested from any person appearing to be under the age of 25.
  - iii) A sign shall be prominently displayed inside the premises which identifies the name of the manager on duty or the person responsible for the management of the sale and supply of alcohol under the licence.
- c) The Club shall have a reasonable range of food available for consumption on the premises at all times when alcohol may be sold under the licence. The food shall be of the range and types of food submitted with the application but must be no less substantial than snack foods in the nature of pies, sandwiches, filled rolls, pizza or the like. The availability of these foodstuffs shall be notified to patrons by appropriate notices throughout the premises.
- d) The Club must ensure that drinking water will be made readily available to all attendees, free of charge.
- e) The licensee must ensure that signs are prominently displayed within the licensed premises detailing information regarding alternative forms of transport from the premises
- f) The holder of a Manager's Certificate or a properly notified manager shall be on duty and on the premises at all times alcohol is sold.
- g) Manager's register (as required by s.232 of the Act) is to be maintained and available onsite.
- h) The area where alcohol is to be sold and consumed is described in the plan stamped and received by the District Licensing Committee on the 13 May 2021 and no alcohol is to be taken out of that area.
- i) The premises is undesignated.

- j) The following steps shall be taken by the Club to ensure that the provisions of the Act relating to the sale of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
- i) Display appropriate signs adjacent to every point of sale detailing the statutory restrictions on the sale of alcohol to minors and the complete prohibition of sales to intoxicated persons, and
  - ii) Photo identification is required to be produced by the customer when staff are in doubt of their age.

**Dated** at Te Aroha this 26<sup>th</sup> day of May 2021

  
Adrienne Wilcock  
Chairperson  
Matamata-Piako District Licensing Committee

