

Decision number: 17/TEMP/006/2022

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

AND

IN THE MATTER of an application
by **Timber Land
Investments Limited**
pursuant to s.136(1) of the
Act for a Temporary Authority
for premises situated at 42
Mannering Street, Tokoroa
and now known as "**Focal
Point Sports Bar**"

BEFORE THE SOUTH WAIKATO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Murray Clearwater Chairperson

This is an application by **Timber Land Investments Limited for a second Temporary Authority for premises situated at 42 Mannering Street, Tokoroa and now known as "Focal Point Sports Bar."**

The business is a tavern and gaming venue and an ON Licence, 17/ON/015/2020, is operative at the premises and expired on the 26th of November 2020. **A renewal application has been lodged to keep the base licence 'live' for this transition process.**

The original application contained supporting documentary evidence showing a sale and purchase agreement and the Police and the Inspector have not raised any matters in opposition for the first Temporary Authorities.

REASONS FOR THE DECISION

The applicant appears to be an experienced hospitality operator and is aware of their responsibilities and is trading compliantly.

The substantive ON Licence application has been lodged and has been set down for hearing on 7 June 2022.

A report has been received from the Police outlining an incident at a related bar and involving the 'General Manager' of both premises, Manpreet Singh.

Mr. Singh is also on serious alcohol related traffic charges after driving complaints were investigated two weeks ago.

Mr. Singh's continued involvement in these enterprises brings the applicant's suitability in to question.

The Police oppose any grant of any additional Temporary Authorities to the applicant company.

DECISION

In line with the provisions of Section 191 we must convene a full quorum of 3 members to determine Temporary Authority.

The matter is to be set down for hearing on 7 June alongside the substantive application.

Meantime, and without prejudice, the application and supporting information satisfies us that the criteria we must have regard to, as set out in s.136 of the Act, has been met.

The District Licensing Committee, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 makes an order for a Temporary Authority to **Timber Land Investments Limited** and it can be issued immediately.

The conditions attached to ON LICENCE 17/ON/015/2020 shall continue to apply.

The Order is to run for ONE month ONLY from the 14th day of May 2022

DATED at Tokoroa this 13th day of May 2022.

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Murray Clearwater', enclosed within a thin black rectangular border.

Murray Clearwater
Chairperson/Commissioner
For South Waikato District Licensing Committee
