Decision number: 20/TAON/0169/2022

**IN THE MATTER** of the Sale and Supply of

Alcohol Act 2012 (the Act)

<u>AND</u>

<u>IN THE MATTER</u> of an application

by Lotus Thai Limited pursuant to s.136(1) of the Act for a Temporary Authority for premises situated at 137 Tongariro Road, Taupo known as "Lotus Thai Restaurant"

## BEFORE THE TAUPO DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE

Murray Clearwater Chairperson/Commissioner

This is an application by Lotus Thai Limited for a Temporary Authority for premises situated at 137 Tongariro Road, Taupo known as "Lotus Thai Restaurant.

There is a substantive ON licence in place 20/ON/0295/2019 that expired on the 13<sup>th</sup> of September 2022. A renewal application is in place to keep the base licence live for this transition process.

The application contains supporting documentary evidence including a Sale and Purchase Agreement and a signed lease agreement.

Takeover date was the 29<sup>th</sup> of November 2022. The applicant has not been selling alcohol since that date.

Accordingly, the application is to be dealt with by the committee on the papers.

## **REASONS FOR THE DECISION**

Neither the New Zealand Police nor the Licensing Inspector express any concerns about the suitability of the applicant, nor do they oppose the granting of the order.

## **DECISION**

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.

Section 136(5) of the Act says the person authorised by the order has for the purposes of this Act the same duties, obligations, and liabilities as the holder of the on-licence or off-licence concerned.

We remind the applicant that a properly appointed certificated, or Acting or Temporary Manager must be on duty at all times the premises is open for the sale and supply of alcohol.

The District Licensing Committee, acting pursuant to the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 makes an order for a Temporary Authority ON Licence with the existing conditions on the base licence continuing to apply:

- The Order is to run for 3 months from 15<sup>th</sup> of December 2022;
- The substantive ON Licence application must be lodged within 5 working days of receipt of the planning certificate from council.

DATED at TAUPO this 15<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022

Murray Clearwater

**Chairperson/Commissioner** 

For Taupo District Licensing Committee