

LICENCE DETAILS

Application No.	APP-0012191242
Application type	On-premises liquor licence for restaurant with catering service classes.
Trading hours	<i>Restaurant service hours</i> Monday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM <i>Catering service hours</i> Monday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM Sunday 10:00 AM to 10:00 PM
Applicant	Erica Warren
Licence name	The Co-Op Gerringong
Premises address	18 Belinda St, GERRINGONG NSW 2534
Matter	Whether a delegated Liquor & Gaming employee on behalf of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority (ILGA) should grant or refuse an application for an on-premises liquor licence for restaurant and catering service.
Legislation	Section 45(1) of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>
Decision details	Under delegation issued by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority under section 13 of the <i>Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007</i> , a designated Public Service employee or other Public Service employee of Liquor & Gaming NSW, Department of Enterprise Investment and Trade, has decided to grant the application for an on-premises liquor licence, subject to conditions set out at Schedule 1 imposed on the licence.
Decision date	19/12/2023
Delegate details	



Kieran McSherry, Coordinator - Licensing
Liquor and Gaming NSW
Delegate of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

STATEMENT OF REASONS

ANALYSIS OF APPLICATION REQUIREMENTS

1. Council development approval is in place for the use of the former Co-Op heritage building to a food and drink premises and function centre. Council advised that they have no objection to the liquor licence.
2. A Police submission was received and considered as summarised at **submission analysis** below.
3. No public submissions were received relating to any issues with the application.
4. I am satisfied that the applicant has been provided with an opportunity to consider and comment upon the conditions imposed in the licence document.
5. I am satisfied that the statutory advertising requirements have been met.
6. Having reviewed all the material, I am satisfied that granting this application for a restaurant/function centre liquor licence will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

MATERIALS CONSIDERED BY THE ILGA DELEGATE

Information considered.

1. Application form received: 09/11/2023
2. Plan of proposed licensed area: Compliant
3. Certificate of advertising: Compliant
4. Plan of management
5. Documents
 - a) National Police Certificate: Compliant
 - b) ID: Compliant
 - c) RSA competency card: Compliant
6. Approved Manager: Not required
7. Licensee training: Compliant
8. Development consent: Compliant
9. Correspondence between Liquor & Gaming NSW and the applicant
10. Correspondence from Police
11. Correspondence from Council
12. Applicant's response to submissions
13. Applicant's consent to conditions

Analysis of stakeholder submissions

1. NSW Police:

Police had no objections to the application which they recommended conditions are considered in Schedule 1.
2. Local consent authority:

Not received.
3. Public:

Not received.

OVERALL SOCIAL IMPACT

1. Positive benefits

The premises is located in a defunct dairy co-op and has the development approval to proceed in stages. The granting of the licence will enable the licensee to operate a restaurant in addition to host functions for the benefit of the local community whilst revitalising a heritage building. The development of subsequent stages will take place in due course.

2. Mitigation of potential negative impacts

I am satisfied that the granting of the liquor licence, with the conditions imposed, will ensure that the lawful operation of the premises will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

CONCLUSION

1. I am satisfied that procedural fairness was afforded to the applicant and interested parties regarding the decision whether to grant the application. All of those required to be notified of the application were provided with the opportunity to make written submissions and all submissions received were considered and helped inform this decision. The decision was made by the delegate having reviewed the application statement, business model and risk analysis, stakeholder submissions and other relevant material.
2. In accordance with section 45(3)(a) of the Act I am satisfied that the proposed licensee is a fit and proper person to carry on the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates. This determination may be informed by submissions from the NSWPF, submissions from L&GNSW Compliance about an applicant's compliance history, the results of National Criminal Record History Checks (as contained in National Police Certificates), and internet checks conducted by the assessor making the determination.
3. Having considered the venue management plan and related material, under section 45(3)(b) of the Act, I am satisfied that practices will be in place at the premises as soon as the licence is granted that ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that all reasonable steps will be taken to prevent intoxication on the premises, and that those practices will remain in place.
4. Consistent with section 45(3)(c) of the Act requiring development consent from the local council, I am satisfied that the required development consent or approval is in force.
5. In making this decision under delegation from the Authority, all statutory objects and considerations prescribed by section 3 of the Act were considered. Accordingly, I have determined to grant the liquor licence application with conditions as set out at Schedule 1.

RELEVANT EXTRACTS FROM THE LIQUOR ACT 2007

Legislative framework, statutory objects and considerations

In determining the application, the delegate has considered relevant provisions of the Act, including the objects and considerations that are prescribed by section 3, which state:

1. The objects of this Act are as follows:
 - a) to regulate and control the sale, supply and consumption of liquor in a way that is consistent with the expectations, needs and aspirations of the community,
 - b) to facilitate the balanced development, in the public interest, of the liquor industry, through a flexible and practical regulatory system with minimal formality and technicality,

- c) to contribute to the responsible development of related industries such as the live music, entertainment, tourism and hospitality industries.
- 2. In order to secure the objects of this Act, each person who exercises functions under this Act (including a licensee) is required to have due regard to the following:
 - a) the need to minimise harm associated with misuse and abuse of liquor (including the harm arising from violence and other anti-social behaviour),
 - b) the need to encourage responsible attitudes and practices towards the promotion, sale, supply, service and consumption of liquor,
 - c) the need to ensure that the sale, supply and consumption of liquor contributes to, and does not detract from, the amenity of community life,
 - d) the need to support employment and other opportunities in the:
 - i. live music industry, and
 - ii. arts, tourism, community and cultural sectors.

Statutory tests

- 1. In determining an application for a licence, under section 45(3) of the *Liquor Act 2007*, the delegate must also be satisfied that:
 - a) the applicant is a fit and proper person to carry on the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates,
 - b) practices will be in place as soon as the licence is granted that ensure, as far as reasonably practicable, that liquor is sold, supplied or served responsibly on the premises and that all reasonable steps are taken to prevent intoxication on the premises and that those practices will remain in place, and
 - c) if development consent is required under the *Environmental Planning and Assessment Act 1979* (or approval under Part 4 Division 4.1 or Part 5.1 of that Act is required), to use the premises for the purposes of the business or activity to which the proposed licence relates – that development consent or approval is in force.
 - d) the proposed approved manager/licensee has completed the relevant tiered industry training as per legislative requirements.

Community impact test

Under section 48(5) of the *Liquor Act 2007*, the delegate must not grant a licence, authorisation or approval of a kind prescribed by section 48(2) of the Act unless the Authority is satisfied, having regards to the Community Impact Statement, where required, and any other matter the delegate is made aware of during the application process, that the overall impact of the licence, authorisation or approval in question being granted will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

The test applying under section 48(5) relates to delegated decisions in relation to:

- a) the grant or removal of a small bar licence (where required),
- b) a packaged liquor licence (limited to telephone/internet sales),
- c) an application for extended trading hours to permit the sale of liquor after midnight in relation to a small bar (where required), an on-premises relating to a restaurant that includes an application for a primary service authorisation, an on-premises licence relating to a karaoke bar, a catering service or a vessel, and an application for a producer/wholesaler licence that includes an application for a drink on premises authorisation.

The Community Impact Statement provides the Authority with information about the views of relevant stakeholders and other aspects of the local community in which the proposed licensed premises is to be located. This includes, for example, the proximity of the licensed premises to hospitals or health facilities, nursing homes, schools and places of worship.

Important Information

In accordance with Clause 5 of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Regulation 2016, this decision is reviewable by ILGA.

The licence applicant and persons who were required to be notified of the application and who made a submission can apply for an application for review. An application for a review must be lodged with ILGA within 28 days of the date of the publication of this decision. An application fee applies. In the case of the applicant, the fee payable is the fee applying to the original application. In all other cases, the fee is \$100.

Applications for review of ILGA delegated decisions, can be made via the [Liquor and Gaming Application Noticeboard](#). The Review Application form can be accessed online via the *make a submission* button.

Further information can be obtained from the [Reviews of liquor and gaming decisions](#) page on the Liquor & Gaming website.

SCHEDULE 1

Conditions considered by the ILGA delegate.

All requests to impose conditions on the licence are reviewed on a case-by-case basis and a merit-based assessment is conducted.

In considering whether a proposed condition has merit, delegates consider:

- a) whether the need for the condition has been adequately established,
- b) whether the benefits of imposing the condition are likely to outweigh the costs, and
- c) whether the proposed condition is proportionate to the potential harm identified.

The Co-Op Gerringong

Licence condition to be imposed	Licence condition details						
Retail closure period	Section 11A of the Liquor Act 2007 applies to this licence. Liquor must not be sold by retail on the licensed premises for a continuous period of 6 hours between 04:00 AM and 10:00 AM during each consecutive period of 24 hours. The licensee must comply with this 6-hour closure period along with any other limits specified in the trading hours for this licence.						
Restricted trading & NYE (except airport, catering, other public entertainment venue, vessel - std)	Consumption on premises - Good Friday: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM (liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area) - Christmas Day: 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM (liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area) - December 31st: Normal opening time until normal closing time or 2:00 AM on New Year's Day, whichever is the later Note: Trading is also allowed at other times on Good Friday and Christmas Day if authorised by an extended trading authorisation. Liquor can only be served with or ancillary to a meal in a dining area after 5:00 AM on Good Friday and Christmas Day.						
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Plan of Management	The premises is to be operated at all times in accordance with the Plan of Management dated December 2023 as may be varied from time to time after consultation with NSW Police. A copy of the Plan of Management is to be kept on the premises and made available for inspection on the request of a police officer, council officer, Liquor & Gaming NSW inspector, or any other person authorised by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority.						

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Closed-circuit television system	<p>1) The licensee must maintain a closed-circuit television (CCTV) system on the premises in accordance with the following requirements:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) the system must record continuously from opening time until one hour after the premises is required to close (or, in the case of a premises that is not required to cease trading, continuously at all times), (b) recordings must be in digital format and at a minimum of ten (10) frames per second, (c) any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image, (d) the system's cameras must cover the following areas: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (i) all entry and exit points on the premises (ii) the footpath immediately adjacent to the premises, and (iii) all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises. <p>2) The licensee must also:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> (a) keep all recordings made by the CCTV system for at least 30 days, (b) ensure that the CCTV system is accessible at all times the system is required to operate pursuant to clause 1(a), by at least one person able to access and fully operate the system, including downloading and producing recordings of CCTV footage, and (c) provide any recordings made by the system to a police officer or Liquor and Gaming NSW inspector within 24 hours of any request by the police officer or Liquor and Gaming NSW inspector to provide such recordings.
Crime scene preservation	<p>Immediately after the person in charge of the licensed premises or a staff member becomes aware of any incident involving an act of violence causing injury to a person on the premises, the person in charge of the licensed premises and/or staff member must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1) take all practical steps to preserve and keep intact the area where the act of violence occurred, 2) retain all material and implements associated with the act of violence in accordance with the crime scene preservation guidelines issued by NSW Police, as published from time to time on the Liquor and Gaming NSW website, 3) make direct and personal contact with NSW Police to advise it of the incident, and 4) comply with any directions given by NSW Police to preserve or keep intact the area where the violence occurred. <p>In this condition, 'staff member' means any person employed by, or acting on behalf of, the licensee of the premises, and includes any person who is employed to carry on security activities (e.g., crowd controller or bouncer) on or about the premises.</p>

Proposed condition not imposed on the licence	Proposed by	Reason code (see 'List of reasons and codes for not imposing requested conditions' below this table)
Social impact The business authorised by this licence must not operate with a greater overall level of social impact on the wellbeing of the local and broader community than what could reasonably be expected from the information contained in the Community Impact Statement, application and other information submitted in the process of obtaining this licence.	Police	C
A separate Plan of Management is to be prepared for any major event where the patron capacity exceeds 300. Where the patron capacity of any given event exceeds 300, the licensee must advise the relevant Local Area Command, Local Council and LGNSW, no later than 30 days prior to the event taking place. Where the patron capacity of any given event exceeds 1,000, the licensee must advise the relevant Local Area Command, Local Council and LGNSW, no later than 42 days prior to the event taking place. For any major event the licensee must: a) Prepare a separate comprehensive Plan of Management and Security Management Plan in consultation with the Local Area Command that has jurisdiction over the area where the event will be held and, b) Provide a copy of the Plan of Management, Security Management Plan and Local Licensing Agreements (where applicable) to the Local Area Commander. The licence cannot be exercised unless a copy of the Plan of Management, Security Management Plan and Local Licensing Agreements (where applicable), as agreed with the Local Area Commander, is provided to Liquor and Gaming NSW no later than two business days prior to the commencement of the event.	Police	C

List of reasons and codes for not imposing requested conditions

- A** Already covered by the *Liquor Act 2007*.
- B** Already a condition in the development consent.
- C** Not a relevant condition for this licence type. Condition sought is generally only imposed on high-risk licence type or in exceptional circumstances. Exceptional circumstances have not been proposed by the person putting forward the condition.
- D** Already covered in the plan of management. Plan of management condition has been imposed.
- E** Not aligned with the business type and would impose disproportionate unnecessary financial and operational burden.
- F** Being part of a liquor accord is on a voluntary basis only. Exceptional circumstances have not been proposed by the person putting forward the condition.
- G** ILGA/L&GNSW condition wording has been imposed.