

NSW Department of Customer Service

Liquor & Gaming NSW

Application number:	APP-0008587298	
Application for:	Small bar liquor licence	
Trading hours:	Indoors Monday to Sunday	12:00 PM to 12:00 AM
Applicant:	Audrey Geusselin	
Licence name:	Miscreants	
Premises address:	Unit A1, 35-39 Bourke Rd, ALEXANDRIA NSW 2015	
Issue:	Whether a delegated Liquor & Gaming employee on behalf of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority (ILGA) should grant or refuse an application for a small bar liquor licence	
Legislation:	Section 45(1) of the <i>Liquor Act 2007</i>	

SMALL BAR LIQUOR LICENCE

MISCREANTS

Under delegation issued by the Independent Liquor and Gaming Authority under section 13 of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Act 2007, a designated Public Service employee or other Public Service employee of Liquor & Gaming NSW in the Department of Customer Services, has decided to grant the application for a small bar liquor licence, application number APP-0008587298.

After careful consideration of the application and other material, the delegate decided to approve the application, subject to conditions listed in table 1.

Decision Date: 06 August 2021



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Delegate of the Independent Liquor & Gaming Authority

STATEMENT OF REASONS

Analysis of Submissions and statutory requirements

- (1) Council has no matters of concern on the application.
- (2) Appropriate consent is in place for the use of the premises as a small bar.
- (3) I am satisfied that the applicant has been provided with an opportunity to consider and comment upon the conditions contained in the licence document.
- (4) I am satisfied that the statutory advertising requirements have been met.
- (5) Having reviewed all the material, I am satisfied that granting this application for a small bar liquor licence will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

Overall social impact

(1) Positive benefits

The granting of the licence will provide patrons with increased choice to socialise, including to enjoy a meal and/or a social drink consistent with the licence within Alexandria.

(2) Mitigation of potential negative impacts

I am satisfied that the business model, conditions imposed, and any other information contained in the application will provide that the lawful operation of the premises will not be detrimental to the local or broader community.

In particular, the Plan of Management and licence conditions will serve to mitigate any potential negative impacts.

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.

Table 1 sets out the conditions which I have decided to impose on the licence, and the Table 2 sets out conditions put forwarded for consideration which I have decided not to impose, and the reasons for that decision.

TABLE 1 - Proposed conditions imposed on the licence:	
1.	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.
2.	<p>Restricted trading & NYE (std)</p> <p>Consumption on Premises</p> <p>Good Friday 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM</p> <p>Christmas Day 12:00 noon - 10:00 PM</p> <p>December 31st Normal trading</p> <p>Note: Trading is allowed after midnight into the early morning of Good Friday and Christmas Day if authorised by an extended trading authorisation. Trading must cease at the time specified under the authorisation. The latest time that can be specified is 5.00 AM.</p>
3.	<p>House-made cocktails in sealed containers for consumption away</p> <p>The licensee is authorised to sell liquor by retail on the licensed premises as house-made cocktails in sealed containers for consumption away from the premises.</p> <p>House-made cocktails, in relation to licensed premises:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - means alcoholic beverages that are mixed on the licensed premises but does not include cocktails that are pre-mixed away from the licensed premises for the licensee to sell by retail.
4.	<p>CRIME SCENE PRESERVATION</p> <p>Immediately after the person in charge of the Licensed Premises become aware of an incident involving an act of violence causing an injury to a person on the premises, the person must:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Take all practical steps to preserve and keep intact the area where the act of violence occurred b) Retain all materials and implements associated with the act of violence in accordance with the crime scene preservation guidelines issued by the NSW Police c) Make direct and personal contact with the Police Area Commander or his/her delegate and advise the Commander or delegate of the incident and d) Comply with any directions given by the Commander or delegate to preserve or keep intact the area where the violence occurred.
5.	<p>CCTV CONDITION:</p> <p>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,

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	<p>(c) any recorded image must specify the time and date of the recorded image,</p> <p>(d) the system's cameras must cover the following areas:</p> <p>(i) all entry and exit points on the premises,</p> <p>(ii) the footpath immediately adjacent to the premises, and</p> <p>(iii) all publicly accessible areas (other than toilets) within the premises.</p> <p>2) The licensee must also:</p> <p>(a) keep all recordings made by the CCTV system for at least 30 days,</p> <p>(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</p> <p>(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.</p>
6.	The licence is authorised for the trading hours fixed by the Authority or such lesser hours as may be approved by the consent authority from time to time.

TABLE 2 – Proposed conditions not imposed on the licence:		Proposed by:	Reason code (see table 9)
	N/A		

Materials considered by the ILGA delegate

TABLE 3: Submissions analysis	
Stakeholder submissions	
1.	<p>NSW Police</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There was no Police Submission received on the application.
2.	<p>Local consent authority</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council has no matters of concern on the application. An approved Plan of Management and Occupation Certificate are required for Council. The maximum number of persons permitted in the premises at any one time is 120 persons. The hours of operation must be restricted to between 7am and 10pm Monday to Sunday. <p>Notwithstanding (a) above, the use may operate between 6.00am to 7.00am and 10.00pm and 12.00 midnight for a trial period of one year expiring on 30 May 2022.</p>

3.	Public <ul style="list-style-type: none"> There were no Public Submissions received on the application.
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TABLE 4: Document analysis		
Details		Dated received/comment
1.	Application form	08/04/2021
2.	Plan of proposed licensed area	Compliant
3.	Certification of Advertising	Compliant
4.	Plan of Management	Compliant
5.	ID	Compliant
	RSA competency card	Compliant
	Advanced licensee training	Compliant
6.	Development consent	Compliant
7.	Submissions from Council of the City of Sydney	
8.	Applicant's response to the Council Submissions	
9.	Applicant's consent to conditions	
10.	Correspondence from Liquor and Gaming NSW to the applicant	
11.	Correspondence from the applicant to Liquor and Gaming NSW	

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.

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- (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 are 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 of the Authority, all statutory objects and considerations prescribed by section 3 of the Act were considered and accordingly, I have determined to grant the liquor licence application with conditions.

TABLE 5: 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:

3 Objects of Act

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.

TABLE 6: 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.

TABLE 7: Community impact test

1. 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.
2. 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 are 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.

TABLE 8: Important Information:

In accordance with Clause 5 of the Gaming and Liquor Administration Regulation 2008, 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. For original applicants, the review application fee is the same as the initial application fee. For non-original applicants, the application fee is \$100.

For ILGA reviews of delegated decisions, make an application for review via the Liquor and Gaming Application Noticeboard at: <https://www.liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au/Pages/public-consultation/online-application-noticeboard/online-application-noticeboard.aspx>. The Review Application form can be accessed online via the Application Number hyperlink.

Further information can be obtained from the Reviews page on the Liquor & Gaming website at: <https://www.liquorandgaming.nsw.gov.au/Pages/ilga/decisions-of-interest/reviews-of-decisions/reviews-of-liquor-and-gaming-decisions.aspx>

TABLE 9: - Reasons for not imposing requested conditions.

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