

DECISION	26/4443
IN THE MATTER	of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012
	AND
IN THE MATTER	of an application by FEILDING LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS INCORPORATED for the issue of a special licence

DECISION OF THE MANAWATU DISTRICT LICENSING COMMITTEE (ON THE PAPERS)

This application was considered by the Commissioner of the Manawatu District Licensing Committee pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012.

Application

FEILDING LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS INCORPORATED has applied for a special licence to provide alcohol sales. The application relates to a series of theatrical productions and live stage performances for 2026.

Inquiring Agency Reports

Police

The New Zealand Police do not oppose the application.

Licensing Inspector

A report from the Manawatu District Council Licensing Inspector dated 31 March 2026 was received and considered. The Inspector does not oppose the application.

Medical Officer of Health

The Medical Officer of Health does not oppose the application.

Local Alcohol Policy

There is no local alcohol policy in force within the Manawatu district.

Consideration of the application

As no objection to the application has been filed and no matters of opposition have been raised by the inquiring agencies, the application was considered pursuant to section 191(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 by the Chairperson of the District Licensing Committee sitting alone.

In considering whether to issue a special licence, the licensing committee considered the criteria set out in section 142 of the Act.

District Licensing Committee decision

*Having regard to the information supporting the application and having regard to the criteria set out in section 142 of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 the Manawatu District Licensing Committee grants the issue of a special licence to **FEILDING LITTLE THEATRE PLAYERS INCORPORATED** in respect of the events for which the licence was sought, subject to the following conditions:*

1. Alcohol may be sold under the licence only on the following days and during the following hours as detailed in the schedule attached to this special licence.
2. The licensee must display a copy of this special licence at the point of sale so as to be easily read by people attending the event.
3. The persons nominated to manage the sale and supply of alcohol at all times the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol is Peter Doherty and a sign shall be prominently displayed at the point of sale, which identifies by name the person responsible under the licence.
4. The licensee must take the following steps to ensure that the provisions of this Act relating to the sale or supply of alcohol to prohibited persons are observed:
Signage at the bar, staff to check ID, staff to monitor for minors and intoxicated persons, minors will not be served alcohol, intoxicated persons will not be served alcohol.
5. Drinking water must be freely available at the bar and in the auditorium at all times alcohol is being sold.
6. Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times alcohol is available for sale or supply as detailed in the application.
7. Non-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises including but not limited to ginger beer, soft drinks and orange juice.
8. Non-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises including but not limited to Amstel Light and DB Citrus.
9. The licensee must take the following steps to provide assistance with or information about alternative forms of transport from the premises:
Signage with access to a telephone at the ticket desk.

The Manawatu District Licensing Committee grants an exemption pursuant to section 213(2) of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012 in respect of the appointment of a manager for the duration of this special licence.

Duration:

This licence is in force from 6.00 p.m. on 17 April 2026 until 6.00 p.m. on 28 November 2026, during the days and times detailed in the schedule included in condition (1) above.

Dated at Feilding this 13th day of April 2026

Signed



Ross Brannigan
Commissioner, Manawatu District Licensing Committee

Schedule of Licensed Days and Times

Month	Friday (6pm-12am) Dates	Saturday (6pm-12am) Dates	Sunday (3pm-6pm) Dates	Name of Performance
April	17, 24	18, 25	26	The Hardcase Hotel
May	1	2	9	The Hardcase Hotel
July	17, 24, 31	18, 25	26	Penalties, Pints and Pirouettes
August	9	1	30	Penalties, Pints and Pirouettes
September	11, 18	12, 19	20	Open Mic Evenings, Talent Contest & Andrew London Trio
October	16, 23	17, 26	9	Open Mic Evening, Talent Contest & Andrew London Trio
November	6, 13, 20, 27	7, 14, 21, 28	8, 15	Christmas Show TBA