

DECISION

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IN THE MATTER

of the Sale and Supply of Alcohol Act 2012

AND

IN THE MATTER

of an application by
SANDRA MAREE PEARSON 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

SANDRA MAREE PEARSON has applied for a special licence to provide alcohol sales. The application relates to a Country Hall Shindig fundraising event at the Te Kawau Memorial Recreation Centre.

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 21 September 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 **SANDRA MAREE PEARSON** 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:
Friday, 30 October 2026: 7.00 p.m. to midnight
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. A certified manager must be on duty at all times, within the licensed area, when the premises are open for the sale and supply of alcohol and their full name must be on a sign prominently displayed.
4. The Sports Room and Community Room are designated as restricted areas.
5. 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 counter, 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.
6. Drinking water must be freely available at the bar while the premises are open for business.
7. Food must be available for consumption on the premises at all times when open for the sale of alcohol as outlined in the application.
8. Low-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises including but not limited to DB Export Citrus Lemon 2%.
9. Non-alcohol beverages must be available for sale and supply on the premises including but not limited to lemonade, Coke, water, hot drinks, 0% beer and 0% wine.
10. Any alcohol purchased through the blind auction must not be consumed on the premises.
11. Information on alternative forms of transport from the premises must be displayed. Staff must assist customers with transport if required and ticketed shuttle transport must be available as outlined in the application.

Dated at Feilding this 25th day of September 2026

Signed



Ross Brannigan
Commissioner, Manawatu District Licensing Committee

