

IN THE MATTER of the Gambling Act 2003

AND of an application by  
**CHRISTCHURCH  
 CASINOS LIMITED** for  
 approval of a second  
 computer room

**BEFORE THE GAMBLING COMMISSION**

Members: P Chin (Chief Gambling Commissioner)  
 M M Lythe  
 P J Stanley  
 G L Reeves  
 M J Richardson

Date of Application: 5 June 2008

Date of Decision: 18 July 2008

Date of Notification of Decision: 22 July 2008

**DECISION**

**ON AN APPLICATION BY CHRISTCHURCH CASINOS LIMITED  
 FOR APPROVAL OF A SECOND COMPUTER ROOM**

**Application**

1. Christchurch Casinos Limited ("**CCL**") applied to the Gambling Commission (the "**Commission**"), under condition 1 of its venue licence, for approval to construct a second computer room.

**Licence condition**

2. Condition 1 of CCL's venue licence (as amended by the Commission by decision GC06/04) provides as follows:

**Casino premises to be designed, developed, constructed, fitted out and commissioned for operation in accordance with application**

The casino premises shall be designed, developed, constructed, fitted out and commissioned for operation generally in accordance with the application of the licence holder or with such changes as may from time to time be approved by the Commission, provided however that nothing in this condition shall apply in respect of any matter specified in the second schedule to the Casino Control Act 1990 (the "**Act**").

**Submissions by CCL**

3. CCL stated that it presently has one computer room, but with the developments in operating and gaming technology, this will soon be insufficient to cater for the computer needs of the Christchurch casino. It seeks approval to:

- (a) construct a second computer room in its carpark on Level 2; and
  - (b) to designate the room as Gambling Area, as some of its gaming servers may, in future, be moved to this room.
4. CCL submitted, in summary, that:
- (a) the room will be approximately 30 square metres, constructed of concrete blocks, with a purpose built floor and ceiling;
  - (b) all security standards, including CCTV coverage and swipe access control, will be met;
  - (c) all fire and air conditioning requirements will be met;
  - (d) the room will provide easy cabling access to the Main Gaming Floor; and
  - (e) the room will future proof the needs of the casino.

#### **Submissions by the Secretary**

5. The Secretary had no objection to CCL's proposal but did not consider that the second computer needed to be designated as Gambling Area at this point in time. In reply, CCL accepted this.

#### **Analysis**

6. CCL's proposal involves the construction of a second computer room on Level 2 of its carpark facility. The Secretary had no objection to the application, and it raised no issues of regulatory concern.

#### **Decision of Commission**

7. The Commission decided to approve, under condition 1 of CCL's venue licence, the construction of the second computer room at the Christchurch casino. Construction is to be generally in accordance with CCL's application and be generally located in the position identified on the plan attached to this decision.

  
Peter Ohia  
Chief Gambling Commissioner

for and on behalf of the  
Gambling Commission

22 July 2008

**Proposed location of the Secondary Computer Room**

