

**IN THE MATTER** of the Gambling Act 2003

**AND** on an application by **SKYCITY HAMILTON LIMITED** for approval of design changes to the Hamilton casino

**BEFORE THE GAMBLING COMMISSION**

Members Present: G L Reeves (Chair)  
K M Ford  
M M Lythe  
P J Stanley

Date of Application: 9 March 2007

Date of Decision: 20 April 2007

Date of Notification  
of Decision: 1<sup>st</sup> May 2007

**DECISION**

**ON AN APPLICATION BY SKYCITY HAMILTON LIMITED  
FOR APPROVAL OF DESIGN CHANGES TO THE HAMILTON CASINO**

**Application**

- 1 SKYCITY Hamilton Limited (the "**Applicant**") applied to the Gambling Commission (the "**Commission**"), under condition 5.1 of its venue licence, to construct a new entertainment area at the Hamilton casino

**Licence condition**

2. Condition 5.1 of the Applicant's venue licence provides as follows:

5.1 Subject to the conditions of this licence, the Licence Holder shall ensure that the casino is designed, developed, constructed, fitted out, commissioned for operation and operated generally in accordance with the Licence Holder's application as submitted to the Authority, subject to such changes as the Authority has approved or which the Commission may approve from time to time or require in writing

**Submissions by the Applicant**

3. The Applicant sought Commission approval to construct a new entertainment area in the part of the Hamilton casino currently occupied by the Post restaurant. The proposal also involves removing the outer wall of the Exchange Room, pushing back the existing stage area, and fitting out a new bar



4. The Applicant submitted that:

- (a) the proposal will not affect the designated Gambling Area;
- (b) the proposal will not impact on the integrity and fairness of games; the effectiveness of security and surveillance; harm prevention, harm minimisation and responsible gambling; potential access to the Gambling Area by minors; or compliance with the Act including section 11; and
- (c) it will commence work on the new area in May, should the Commission approve the proposal.

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

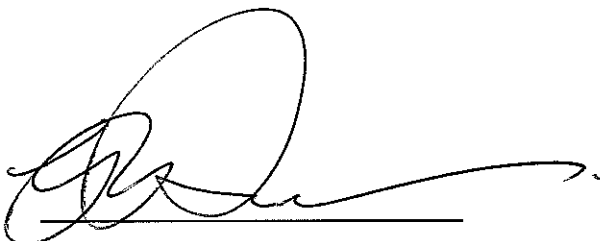
5. The Secretary had no concerns with the proposal, and was satisfied that the design changes would not increase the risk of access by minors to the Gambling Area.

#### **Analysis**

6. The Commission was satisfied that the Applicant's proposal did not give rise to any issues of regulatory concern and that it would not affect the designated Gambling Area or the layout or numbers of gaming machines and tables. The Commission also noted that the Secretary had no concerns with the proposal.

#### **Decision**

7. The Commission unanimously decided to approve the application under condition 5.1 of the venue licence. The alterations are to be generally in accordance with the plan **attached** to this decision.



**Graeme Reeves**  
Gambling Commissioner

for and on behalf of the  
Gambling Commission

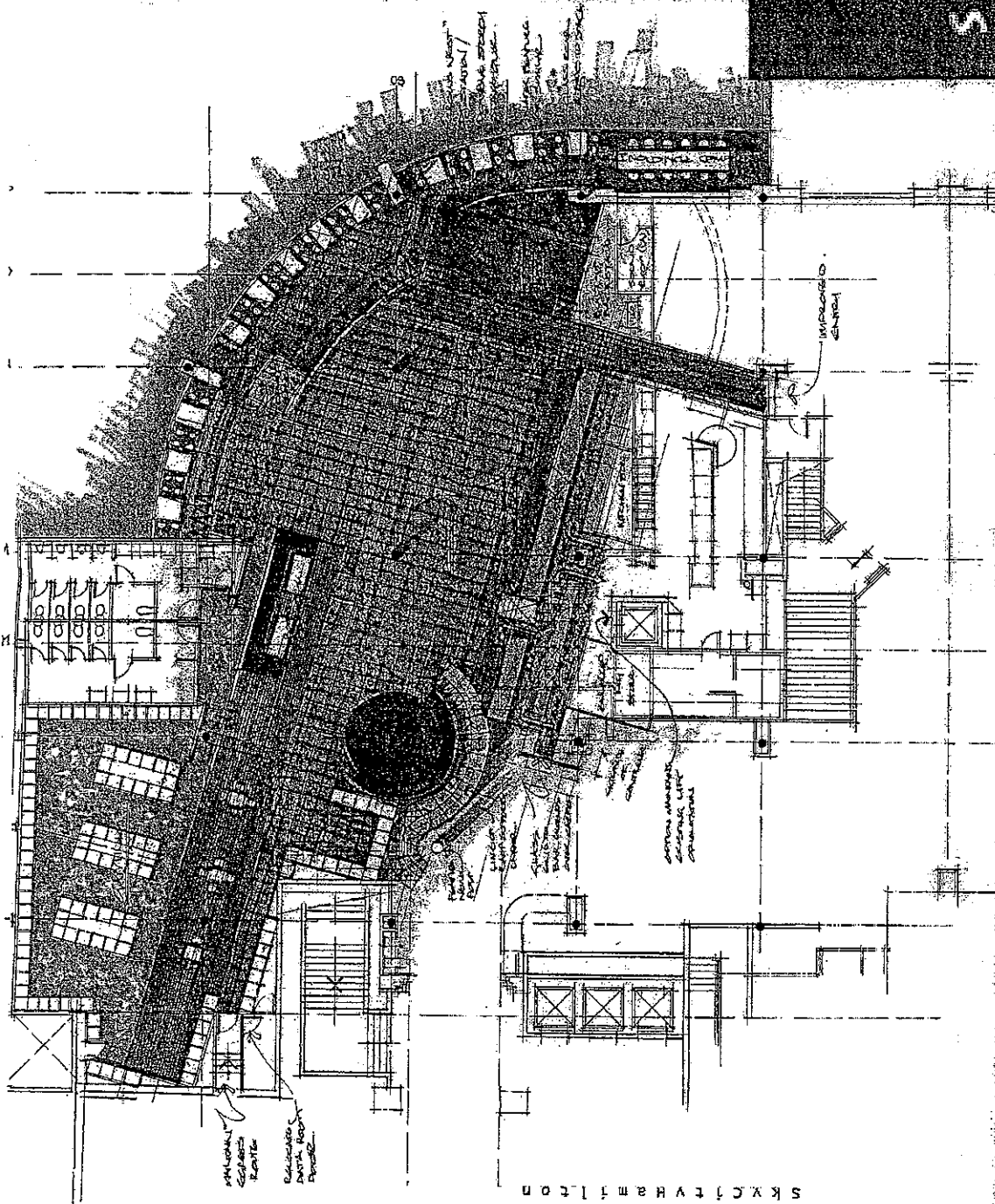
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**REVIEW. PLAN**